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**Vision: “Optimal Oral Health for all Nevadans”**

The Oral Health Program collaborates with other programs within the Health Division, other state agencies outside of the Health Division, the federal government, the private sector, and the non-profit sector to develop programs and policies to address the oral health needs of the people of Nevada. Funding to support programs and activities is derived through a grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and from the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant.

**Oral Health Program Components:**

**Oral Health Infrastructure & Planning**

Provides leadership to address collaboratively oral health problems by maintaining a strong oral health unit within the State Health Division.

**Oral Health Surveillance and Evaluation**

Systematically collects and reports data on oral health indicators and oral health resources. Reports are routinely used by partners and other agencies for needs assessments, program planning and evaluation.

**Fluoridation**

The Oral Health Program is responsible for maintaining data in the national Water Fluoridation Reporting System (WFRS). In addition the Program provides education regarding community water fluoridation.

**Dental Sealants**

The Oral Health Program provides technical support for and collects data from Nevada’s school-based dental sealant programs.

**Oral Health Coalition Support**

The Oral Health Program assists each of the regional oral health coalitions by providing technical support, identifying resources and assisting with evaluation.

**Oral Health Education**

The Oral Health Program works to raise consumer, healthcare provider and community awareness of the importance of oral health. Audience-specific oral health education outreach is designed and delivered to increase the use of evidence-based oral disease prevention services, decrease disparities in oral disease burdens and work towards our vision that “All Nevadans achieve optimal oral health.”