

## *Appalachian Diabetes Coalitions Oral Health Care for People with Diabetes: Leader Training Track*

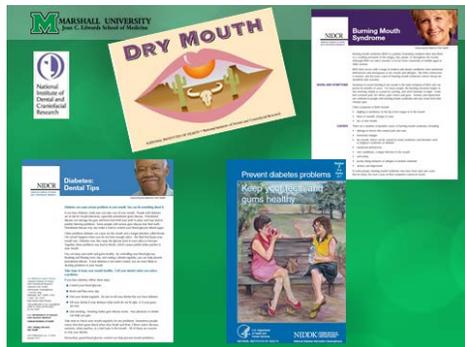
On behalf of Marshall University School of Medicine, the “Tooth fairies” would like to thank each of you for making our first Diabetes Coalition Conference most memorable! We had a great time and learned as much from you as we hope you learned from us!

As promised, we are writing to highlight the materials shared within our sessions on October 10 – 11, 2013.

Below you will find links to the following materials/resources.



- Presentation PowerPoint



- Brochures/Handouts from the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR). These materials are free and can be ordered in bulk. URL to NIDCR website is <https://www.nidcr.nih.gov/orderpublications/>



- These are the patient packets we provided during our session. Ordering information for the Smile Goods adult patient paks can

be found at <http://practicon.com/SmileGoods®-Adult-Patient-Paks™/p/10-1733/c/800/>

## Donations Requested to Promote Smiles Across WV



- 84% of WV youth have dental cavities by high school graduation
- By Age 8- 38% WV school-aged children have untreated dental decay, 66% have had at least 1 cavity
- Nationally, 52 million school hours are lost annually due to dental problems
- Food Stamps cannot be used to purchase toothbrushes, toothpastes, floss etc.
- Oral Disease is the single most common chronic childhood disease in US- 5x more than asthma/7x more than hay fever
- Dental Cavities are 100% preventable!

WV Council of Churches in conjunction with (insert your church) are working to promote healthy smiles across WV by collecting oral health supplies that will be used in various Summer Camps/Programs and Food Banks across the entire state.

We are in need of the following items for WV campers and Youth!

- Toothbrushes (all sizes)
- Toothpaste (all sizes)
- Floss

For more information contact:

- If you are interested in pursuing a partnership with your state/local Council of Churches, please note the attached Publisher file in which you are free to utilize as a template when constructing your own program. Donated oral Health supplies can be collected and distributed in a variety and fashions.



- Public Service Announcements such as the AD Council's 2x2 can be found at <http://2min2x.org/> Make sure to check out the campaign materials as well (available in both English and Spanish)



- **Putting Healthy Food Within Reach** As discussed during our session, The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) allows purchase of harmful beverages that have no nutritional value, damage oral health and influence the high rate of diabetes and obesity. SNAP recipients are of low income and do not have money to pay for resulting health problems and often rely on Medicaid for medical and dental care.

As a concerned member of your coalition, **YOU** can make a difference by visiting the following website [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) to make comments **until October 21.**

The attached PDF lists the forum format along with the questions that were available for comment. Additional resources if interested are also listed.

Your comments on question #4 are very much encouraged- "Would a different definition of the "staple foods 1" required in SNAP authorized stores help to ensure that these stores offer more healthy food choices? If so, what kinds of changes would be most effective? Specifically, almost all foods can be counted towards meeting staple food requirements, including those high in added sugar, sodium and solid fats. Should foods high in these components be counted as staple foods when determining store authorization requirements?"

The goal is that our collective comments will make a difference to affect change for better health of citizens particularly the most vulnerable.

Please feel free to forward and share with any individuals or groups that may be interested in commenting.

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-08-20/pdf/2013-20244.pdf>.

DATES: To be assured of consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before **October 21, 2013.**

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted through the Federal Rulemaking Portal at

[www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically. Comments can also be mailed or delivered to: Shanta Swezy, Chief, Retailer Management and Issuance Branch, Retailer Policy and Management Division, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 426, Alexandria, Virginia, 22302.

All comments submitted in response to this notice will be included in the record and will be made available to the public at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Please be advised that the substance of the comments and the identity of the individuals or entities commenting will be subject to public disclosure.

FNS will conduct public listening sessions to receive input on this subject. These listening sessions will provide an opportunity for affected parties, key stakeholders, and the general public to provide input directly to FNS policy officials.

[www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Type in: **USDA Enhancing Retail Food Store Eligibility** click on **Comment Now** to post comment.



- Contact Information for the Marshall University Oral Health Team