

Healthy Smiles Program Fact Sheet

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What is the Vision for the Healthy Smiles Program?

All children and adolescents who reside in Alameda County receive high quality dental care regardless of insurance or immigration status.

What is the Healthy Smiles Program?

The Healthy Smiles Program has provided gap coverage for urgent dental needs for families with children who are uninsured or underinsured since 2002. We assist families with scheduling an appointment or refer them to a dentist for preventive care or dental treatment needs at no cost. Office of Dental Health staff assess the urgency of the dental need, the child's insurance status, income requirements and the age of the child to determine program eligibility. We refer families to Alameda County Health Insurance Technicians for assistance with enrolling in medical and dental insurance or other county services.

Who Qualifies for the Healthy Smiles Program?

- · Children and adolescents 0-19 years old
- Do not have dental insurance (uninsured) or do not have adequate coverage (underinsured)
- Meet income requirements
- An Alameda County resident

What Services Are Offered through the Healthy Smiles Program?

- Care coordination
- Help finding a dentist
- · Scheduling dental appointments
- · Medi-Cal health benefits enrollment assistance
- Referrals to community resources