Michigan Initiative for Maternal and Infant Oral Health

Project Description

- Grant-funded, 1-year project and partnership between the University of Detroit Mercy School Of Dentistry, the Michigan Primary Care Association (MPCA), and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) that places dental hygienists within the OBGYN departments of 6 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- Operating under Michigan's PA161 program, these registered dental hygienists (RDHs) become part of the OBGYN care team and provide education, preventative care, and referrals for needed dental treatment

Project Goals

- 1. Expand the "Grace Health Model for Pregnant Mothers" to place RDHs within OBGYN clinics through PA161
- 2. Provide pregnant women dental services, education, and facilitate referrals for needed treatment
- 3. Collect demographic, caries risk, and dental disease data using EHR and EDR integration
- 4. Collect saliva samples from participants (*strep mutans* testing research project)
- 5. Develop evaluation methodology

Locations



6 Pilot Sites

East Region

- Battle Creek
- Bay City
- Lansing

West Region

- Muskegon
- 2. Benton Harbor
- 3. Upper Peninsula



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