

# South Hampton Roads Oral Health Alliance

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## GOAL

### **Safety net collaboration**

Increase the number of uninsured/under-insured adults with an established dental home by improving collaboration among safety net providers.

### **Older adults**

Increase older adults' rate of annual dental visits by gathering data on the sites where they congregate, coordinating existing services, and exploring options for group transportation.

### **Pregnant women and children <5**

Increase pregnant women's rate of dental visits and the number of children receiving fluoride varnish through parent education and medical/dental provider outreach.

### **School-age children and adolescents**

Increase the number of children and adolescents utilizing preventive school-based dental care through parental outreach to increase consent and exploring dental exams as a requirement for enrollment.

### **Individuals with disabilities**

Increase advocacy for individuals with disabilities to achieve enhanced funding and resources for dental care.

Underlying each of these goals and strategies, we commit to a focus on

1. Advocacy and engagement of local and state decisionmakers to impact access to oral health coverage, care delivery, and other relevant policies
2. Adoption of systemic approaches to addressing the social determinants of oral health and overall health, including economic stability, the neighborhood and built environment, health and health care, social and community context, and education.
3. Engagement of "non-traditional" partners outside of the healthcare and human services sectors

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