

# North Dakota Oral Health Coalition

Formed in 2005, the North Dakota Oral Health Coalition is a chartered, collaborative, statewide coalition comprised of a variety of public and private agencies, organizations and individuals focused on improving the oral health of North Dakotans.

## Our Vision

Oral health is an integral part of overall health.

## Our Mission

Develop and promote innovative strategies to achieve optimal oral health for all North Dakotans.

## Our mission is achieved by:

- Building partnerships.
- Educating the public about the value of good oral health and its impact on overall health.
- Building community capacity to address oral health needs.
- Communicating oral health needs to policy makers and the public.
- Establishing and advocating for public and private policies to improve access to or the delivery of oral health services.
- Implementing prevention interventions.

## Guiding Principles for the Coalition

Accountability

Respect

Honesty

Trust

## Meetings

Coalition members participate in regular meetings. The full coalition meets every other month and committees meet on the alternate months, with additional meetings scheduled as needed. Coalition members are encouraged to join a committee to be involved in the hands-on work of carrying out the state plan, *Oral Health in North Dakota: Plan for the Future*. If you are interested in joining the coalition or would like additional information, please call 701.328.2356 or 800.472.2286 – press 1 (toll-free in North Dakota).