

Exciting New Editions: OHNEP Interprofessional Oral Health Faculty Tool Kits

We are happy to share the second edition of OHNEP's Undergraduate Interprofessional Oral Health Faculty Tool Kit, and third edition of the OHNEP Interprofessional Oral Health Faculty Tool Kits for Nurse Practitioner and Midwifery programs!

The latest versions of our Tool Kits align with the new AACN Essentials (2021), the NONPF Competencies (2022), ACNM Core Competencies (2020), HRSA Oral Health Competencies (2014), and IPEC Interprofessional Competencies (2016), and include up-to-date clinical practice guidelines and standards for integrating oral health into undergraduate nursing, nurse practitioner and midwifery curricula, namely:

- new classroom, simulation, and clinical oral health teaching-learning strategies
• innovative interprofessional oral health clinical competency-building teaching-learning activities
• updated articles, research studies, clinical practice guidelines, and resources that link oral health and overall health
• new case studies that focus on health promotion, disease prevention, and acute and chronic population health conditions across the lifespan
• integration of the social determinants of health and their impact on oral health and overall health equity

All of these Tool Kits are available to download on the OHNEP website under the "Tool Kits" tab!

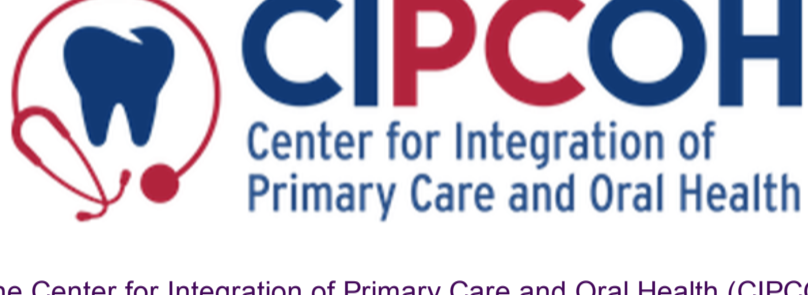
Medically-Necessary Dental Care: A Major Step Toward Oral Health Care for All

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has taken an important step toward improving oral health outcomes that are linked to overall health. On November 3, CMS announced that Medicare will begin making payment in 2023 for dental services necessary to identify and eliminate oral and dental infections prior to, and contemporaneously with, organ transplant, cardiac valve replacement, and valvuloplasty procedures.

For services to be covered by Medicare, they must be performed by a Medicare participating provider. As part of the same final rule, the agency is establishing an annual process "to review public input on other circumstances when payment for dental services may be allowed."

The OHNEP team contributed comments to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule in September advocating for the importance of oral health care and dental coverage in promoting positive overall health outcomes for many health conditions. We are thrilled to see CMS make this important step toward health equity and oral and overall health care for Medicare beneficiaries. You can read our comments at the OHNEP website, and check out the Santa Fe Group comments and their Statement on Medicare Coverage by the Consortium for Medically Necessary Oral Health Coverage Issues.

100 Million Mouth Campaign: News & Updates



The Center for Integration of Primary Care and Oral Health (CIPCOH) finalized recruitment for the third round of the 100 Million Mouths Project in 10 states: Alaska, Idaho, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, New Jersey, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming. More details to come!

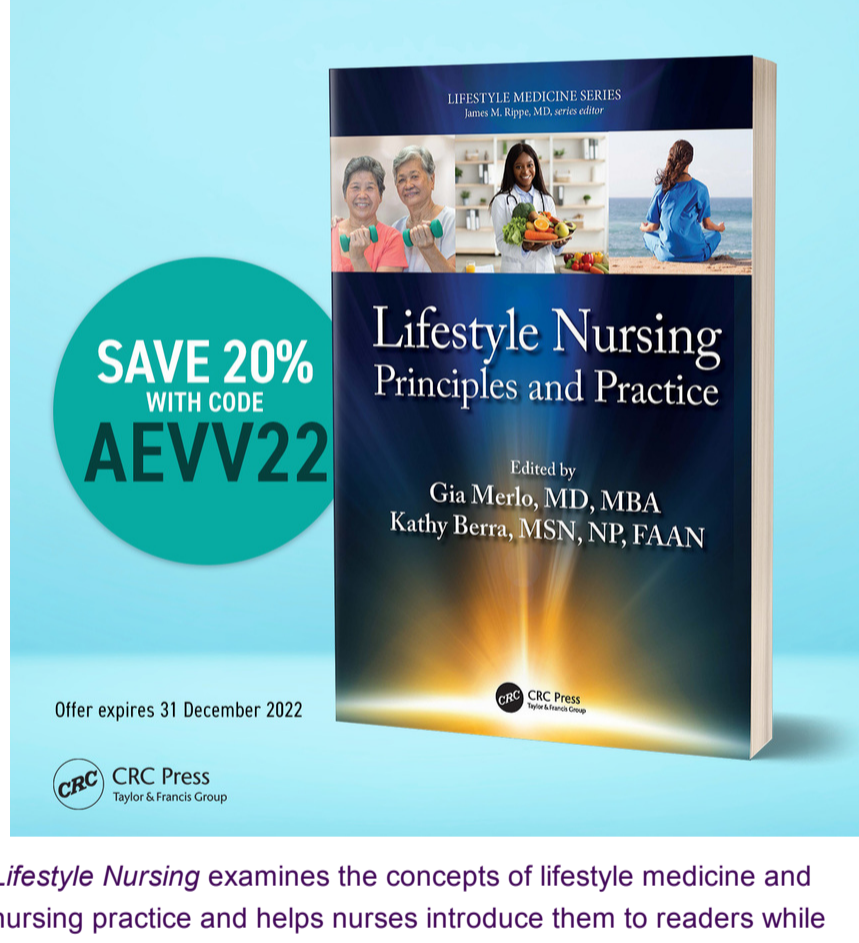
NIIOH Executive Director Anita Glicken and OHNEP Executive Director Dr. Judith Haber are invited members of the 100 Million Mouths Advisory Board led by CIPCOH Co-PI, Dr. Hugh Silk. Funded by CareQuest, this unique initiative aims to recruit fifty oral health champions, one in each state, over the next decade. The CIPCOH team will train the champions to recruit at least four health profession schools to become faculty oral health champions by integrating oral health into their curricula to bridge gaps in oral health access. It brings together faculty, administrators and health professionals across the US as oral health champions that pledge to utilize oral health resources and network with other programs and professionals in their area with the shared goal of improving oral health for all.

New NLN Oral Health Teaching-Learning Resources

OHNEP is excited to share a collection of new teaching-learning strategies developed in collaboration with the National League for Nursing (NLN) for integrating oral health across populations and care settings. NLN's Advancing Care Excellence Series (ACE) initiative includes programs with free curricular resources that focus on improving care for vulnerable and underserved populations. We encourage faculty and educators to incorporate these teaching-learning strategies into their existing curricula to build awareness about the importance of oral health in primary and acute care settings.

- Advancing Care Excellence for Persons with Disabilities (ACE.D)
Oral Health and Autism Spectrum Disorder
Oral Health and Cerebral Palsy
Oral Health and Stroke Rehabilitation
Preventing Non-ventilator Associated Hospital Acquired Pneumonia (NVHAP) with Oral Care
Advancing Care Excellence for Veterans (ACE.V)
Oral Health and Behavioral Health Disorders
Advancing Care Excellence for Alzheimer's Patients and Caregivers (ACE.Z)
Oral Health and Alzheimer's Disease

Lifestyle Nursing: A New Textbook for the Nursing Profession



Lifestyle Nursing examines the concepts of lifestyle medicine and nursing practice and helps nurses introduce them to readers and also encouraging them to focus on their own wellness. This book incorporates evidence-based findings about chronic conditions including heart diseases and stroke, type 2 diabetes, and cancer, the complications of which can often be prevented by lifestyle interventions. The OHNEP team contributed a chapter to this book, How Often Do You Think About Oral Health as an Essential Part of Wellness and a Healthy Lifestyle?, that focuses on the importance of oral health in promoting positive overall health outcomes and the need for including oral assessment and oral health promotion in nursing practice. This chapter outlines key oral-systemic health issues across the lifespan, along with lifestyle oral health interventions that promote oral health and overall health.

View and order the book from Routledge.

LGBTQIA+ Oral Health Awareness



OHNEP partnered with the American Institute for Dental Public Health (AIDPH) for LGBTQIA+ Oral Health Week October 17-21, 2022. This week was dedicated to raising awareness of LGBTQIA+ people and their oral health to the broader dental and public health communities. Throughout the week, OHNEP and other partner organizations promoted resources for health professionals to learn more about LGBTQIA+ terminology, advocacy opportunities, inclusive practices, and destigmatizing LGBTQIA+ health care.

There are numerous evidence-based, peer-reviewed publications about providing gender-affirming and inclusive care across health care settings - check out the ones listed below:

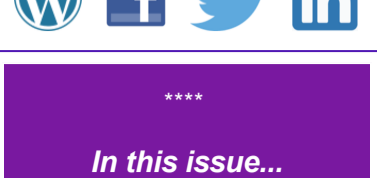
- My preferred pronoun is she: Understanding transgender identity and oral health care needs
Primary Care Providers' Attitudes Related to LGBTQ People: A Narrative Literature Review
Providing Gender Affirming and Inclusive Care to Transgender Men Experiencing Pregnancy

We encourage our oral health champions and partners to join us in building community support and elevating the voices of LGBTQIA+ educators, health professionals and their patients year-round! A great start is taking the pledge to support oral health equity for all. To learn more about how you can support the LGBTQIA+ community, visit the AIDPH website.

Reports & Publications

Check out these publications from the past year from the OHNEP team and our oral health champions:

- Oral Health, Mental Health and Substance Use Treatment: A Framework for Increased Coordination and Integration
Preventive dental care is associated with improved health care outcomes and reduced costs for Medicaid members with diabetes
The association between non-ventilator associated hospital acquired pneumonia and patient outcomes among U.S. Veterans
Improving Oral Health During Pregnancy: A Call to Action



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