

**SOUTH COUNTY DENTAL ACCESS RESOURCE TEAM (DART)
Wednesday, October 7th, noon-1:30 PM
MINUTES**

South DART		
October 7, 2009	12:00-1:30 pm	1086 Grand Avenue, Arroyo Grande
Facilitator	Joel Diringe	
Note taker	Maureen Titus	
Attendees	Joe Mercadante, Linda Hogoboom, Joel Diringe, Jason Wells, Tom Keifer, Dayna Ravalin, and Maureen Titus	
1. Introductions and Individual Updates		
Time:	Presenter/Facilitator: NA	
Discussion	No Updates	
Conclusions	NA	
Action Items		
NA	Person	Deadline
2. First 5 Commission – Report and Feedback		
Time:	Presenter/Facilitator: Joel Diringe	
Discussion	Joel presented a PowerPoint that he gave at the September First 5 Commission meeting – a handout was given to the DART members. The presentation included what has been accomplished to date, access to care and prevention in the county, and the results of the oral health survey of Head Start children in SLO County. Linda Hogoboom reported that they are giving teen parents oral health information; however, the parents are having problems accessing initial care/exam for their infants. Suggested to have Ofelia from Children’s Health Initiative (CHI) at the Give Kids A Smile (GKAS) event to be a resource for families for insurance coverage if they have none. Isabel Ruiz performed this role at a previous GKAS day.	
Conclusions	NA	
Action Items		
Send PPT via email to DART members not present for review.	Joel Diringe	ASAP
3. Member Survey – Results and Discussion		
Time:	Presenter/Facilitator: Tom Keifer	
Discussion	Tom provided a handout and a PowerPoint presentation on the survey and feedback from DART members. For a copy of the full report email Jason Wells at First 5, jwells@first5slo.org	
Conclusions	NA	
Action Items		
NA	Person	Deadline
4. Upcoming Activities		
Time:	Presenter/Facilitator: Joel Diringe	
Discussion	Oral Health Summit – Feb. 5, 2010. Give Kids a Smile – Joe Mercadante stated that November may be too soon for Community Health Centers to prepare for this project. Kathy will need to contact Joe to discuss timelines and strategies. Pediatric medical providers training for Nov 11, 2009 in SLO and another time to be scheduled for CHC pediatric medical providers.	
Conclusions	NA	

Action Items	Person	Deadline
NA		

5. Increasing Access to Dental Care in South County

Time:	Presenter/Facilitator: Joel Diringer	
Discussion	<p>Joel outlined a proposed report on demand for dental care, support of dental care and options for meeting the identified gaps. School nurses have all insurance information on school emergency contact cards that the parents complete at the beginning of the school year. Head Start parents also provide insurance information. It was felt that it was important to address issues of “insured” children as well as to discuss the specifics of sliding scale programs (particularly relative to cost of living).</p> <p>Linda Hogoboom reported since the 2008 Children’s Oral Health Summit access has improved. Previously all discussions about access to care were negative and finger pointing, no real solutions were ever found. There is a much more positive tone now and ability to find dental care for children in need. She is pleased with how Kathy Phipps most recently has helped find a dentist for a school aged child referred by a school nurse, a real step forward.</p>	
Conclusions	NA	

Action Items	Person	Deadline
NA		

6. New Business

Time:	Presenter/Facilitator:	
Discussion	<p>No new business brought forward at this time.</p> <p><u>Next meeting Wednesday, January 6, 2010 12 – 1:30PM</u></p>	
Conclusions	NA	

Action Items	Person	Deadline
NA		