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Join a virtual learning community that will test and implement teledentistry for children age 0-5 enrolled in Medi-Cal Dental. Participating San Francisco Dental practices will:

- Learn how to deliver patient-centered care using teledentistry
- Create measurable results for your patients and your practice
- Apply quality improvement principles to continuously improve dental services
- Be part of a learning community that will help re-build and re-design the dental delivery system
- Provide preventive dental care to the youngest members of your community (children age 0-5 enrolled in Medi-cal Dental)

# Preventive Teledentistry Collaborative

## Participating Practices will:

- Receive a payment of \$1,000/month
- Commit to 6 hours per month
- Participate in monthly webinars
- Receive individual QI/Clinical Coaching
- Strengthen Patient Engagement and Build Motivational Interviewing skills



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## • IMPLEMENT TELEDENTISTRY

Learn how to conduct visits using teledentistry and increase your prevention treatment plan acceptance.

## • INDIVIDUALIZED COACHING

Teams will learn how to design teledentistry visits to deliver preventive services for children 0-5 years old. Teams will also receive direct coaching in patient engagement and supporting behavior change to improve oral health outcomes.

## • DATA FOR IMPROVEMENT

Using data-driven improvement methods, teams will build and develop a dental QI dashboard to demonstrate improvement and patient and provider satisfaction.

## • LEARNING COMMUNITY

Learn from your colleagues through virtual webinars to build and apply your QI knowledge and skills.

# San Francisco DTI - Dental Access Collaborative Preventive Teledentistry for Children 0-5 FAQ

## What is the Dental Access Collaborative?

The Dental Access Collaborative is one of the five pilots under the San Francisco Dental Transformation Initiative Local Dental Pilot Project (SF DTI LDPP). The goal of the SF DTI LDPP is to improve the oral health of Medi-Cal Dental beneficiaries ages 0-5 in San Francisco. Through the Dental Access Collaborative, dental practices in San Francisco can receive no-cost training and technical assistance for breakthrough improvement through collaborative learning.

## What kind of improvements can I expect by participating in the Collaborative?

Through the learning community, and direct improvement coaching, learn how to implement efficient practice management systems, create lasting changes, and provide preventive services to Medi-Cal Dental beneficiaries in a sustainable manner. You will get the opportunity to learn and practice skills to integrate continuous quality improvement to design a reliable system for delivering preventive services through teledentistry.

## What is Quality Improvement (QI)?

Quality improvement is a systematic and continuous approach that leads to measurable improvement in healthcare services. Participating dental practices will learn and apply QI methods to support rapid change.

## How does it work?

The Breakthrough Series (BTS), developed by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI), works to close the gap between science and practice for healthcare providers. It has shown to be highly effective in improving patient health outcomes, addressing chronic diseases, and implementing long-term system improvements. Participating practices will appoint staff members to form improvement teams to participate in monthly webinars, virtual coaching, and regular data monitoring and reporting. Over the course of six months, with the help of their coaches and Collaborative faculty, teams will conduct small-scale tests of change and turn successful changes into standard practice to design a high quality, reliable system to re-start your practice using value-added teledentistry to deliver preventive services.

## Who is eligible to participate?

Dental practices in San Francisco that serve Medi-Cal Dental beneficiaries 0-5 years, or who are willing to learn to serve that population through the support of the Collaborative, can participate. Improvement teams should consist of three to five staff members from your practice. We recommend teams include a lead dentist, RDA or dental hygienist, data manager/office manager, and senior leadership.

## What is the time commitment?

Over the course of the six months, we expect practices to attend monthly webinars and regular check-in calls with coaches, record data, and perform tests of change. We estimate the time commitment will be between 4 to 8 hours a month.

## Are there funds available to support our time out of clinic?

A monthly payment of \$1,000 for up to six months will be provided for your Improvement team's participation. Teams can receive up to \$6,000 for attending learning community calls, coaching calls and submitting monthly data.

## How do I sign up?

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