38 community professionals participated in Train the Trainer, resulting in 904 encounters with parents and caregivers about oral health.

23,861 oral health kits distributed

39,824 educational resources distributed

Advocated for improved access to dental treatment for children on CHIP/Medicaid with 15 Texas legislators.

79 individual volunteers (unduplicated) and 132 group volunteers (duplicated) gave 889 volunteer hours to support coalition activities.

Children’s Oral Health Month social media campaigns - Feb. 2015:

29,228 Facebook impressions

3,187 Twitter impressions

For more information, contact elaine.vivens@cookchildrens.org.

Oral health education, awareness and prevention

MISSION STATEMENT

To improve the oral health of children in Tarrant County through community collaboration.

Current members

Adolescent Pregnancy Services – Fort Worth
Independent School District (FWISD)
Aetna Better Health
Alliance of the Fort Worth District
Dental Society
Catholic Charities
Child Care Associates – Early Head Start/Head Start
Community Dental Clinic
Cook Children’s
Dental Health Arlington
DentaQuest
E. Dale Martin, D.D.S., M.S.D.
Educational Alignment of Young Children
Elizabeth Gold, D.D.S.
Family and Community Resources – FWISD
Fatherhood Coalition of Tarrant County

Fort Worth District Dental Society
Gill Children’s Services, Inc.
Greater Fort Worth Dental Hygienists’ Society
Huda Al-Hafidh, D.D.S.
Joshua Liescheski, D.D.S.
JPS Health Network
Kerin Burdette, D.D.S.
Masonic Home and School of Texas
MAXIMUS, Inc.
Mission Arlington/Mission Metroplex – Allan Saxe Dental Clinic
Nelson Beville, D.D.S.
Parents as Teachers – FWISD
Save a Smile
Tarrant County College – Dental Hygiene Program

Tarrant County Public Health – WIC Program
Texas Department of State Health Services
Texas Woman’s University – Dental Hygiene Program
The Parenting Center
Tonya Fuqua, D.D.S.
United Community Centers
United Way of Tarrant County
University of Texas Health Science Center – Healthy Start and Pediatric Department

GOAL 1
INCREASE AWARENESS OF ORAL HEALTH in relationship to overall health for children ages 0-8 in Tarrant County.

GOAL 2
TRAIN COMMUNITY PROFESSIONALS IN ORAL HEALTH BASICS to increase the reach of oral health education directly to families.

GOAL 3
MEASURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF COMMUNITY-BASED PREVENTION INITIATIVES.

GOAL 4
ENHANCE ACCESS TO DENTAL SERVICES by legislative advocacy.