



## Louisiana Smiles for Life Program Multiple locations throughout Louisiana

### Program Overview

The Louisiana Smiles for Life Program is an education-based program for independent older adults, and is supported by the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals Oral Health Program (OHP) and the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs (GOEA). The program was developed as a part of the Louisiana Oral Health Coalition's Oral Health for the Elderly Task Force and was a collaborative effort between the OHP, the GOEA, and the Capital Area Agency on Aging to address the educational needs of individuals participating in Councils on Aging (COA) congregate meals program. The program manual includes information on how to get the Louisiana Smiles for Life Program started in local settings such as meal sites and senior clubs. Lesson plans focus on nutrition, denture care, and the overall importance of oral health and hygiene.

### Program Contact Information

Program Website: <http://new.dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/newsroom/category/135>



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### Program Features

Note: A checked box below indicates an existing program feature.

Age	Service Delivery Model	Dental and Oral Health Services
<input type="checkbox"/> 0-17 (Children and Youth) <input type="checkbox"/> 18-60 (Adult) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 60+ (Older Adult)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dental clinic model (e.g. permanent setting) <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile-portable model <input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility and enrollment model (e.g. referrals, care coordination) <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual model (e.g. telehealth) <input type="checkbox"/> Event-based model <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outreach and education model	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency services <input type="checkbox"/> Basic services <input type="checkbox"/> Screenings <input type="checkbox"/> Cleanings <input type="checkbox"/> Fluoride varnish <input type="checkbox"/> Sealants <input type="checkbox"/> X-rays <input type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive services <input type="checkbox"/> Fillings <input type="checkbox"/> Scaling/root planing <input type="checkbox"/> Extractions <input type="checkbox"/> Oral surgery <input type="checkbox"/> Root canals <input type="checkbox"/> Dentures, partials, relines, repairs <input type="checkbox"/> Crowns <input type="checkbox"/> Bridges <input type="checkbox"/> Orthodontics
Specific Populations	Staffing	Other Program Services
<input type="checkbox"/> Homeless individuals <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with physical disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with specific or complex medical conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with low income <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with no dental insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with Medicaid <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans <input type="checkbox"/> Refugees/immigrants	<input type="checkbox"/> Dentist <input type="checkbox"/> Dental hygienist <input type="checkbox"/> Dental therapist <input type="checkbox"/> Dental assistant <input type="checkbox"/> Dental/dental hygiene students <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing staff <input type="checkbox"/> Community health workers <input type="checkbox"/> Non-dental clinical staff <input type="checkbox"/> Non-clinical staff	<input type="checkbox"/> Referrals to dental and oral health services <input type="checkbox"/> Care coordination/care management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patient education <input type="checkbox"/> Caregiver education <input type="checkbox"/> Provider education <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy/coalition
Geography	Payment for Care	Integration with Services
<input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> Urban	<input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No charge to client <input type="checkbox"/> Sliding fee scale <input type="checkbox"/> Out of pocket <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial dental insurance	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical services <input type="checkbox"/> Behavioral health services <input type="checkbox"/> Vision services <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy services <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation services <input type="checkbox"/> Translation services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nutrition services
Service Delivery Setting	Program Funding	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Dental school <input type="checkbox"/> Community/safety net clinic <input type="checkbox"/> Private dental office <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term care facility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Senior center/community center <input type="checkbox"/> Private residence <input type="checkbox"/> Fairgrounds/stadium/parking lot <input type="checkbox"/> Church <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless shelter <input type="checkbox"/> Public housing	<input type="checkbox"/> Foundation/organization grant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public funding (e.g. local, state, federal) <input type="checkbox"/> Private donations (e.g. individuals, businesses)	

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