

PREVENTIVE DENTAL VISIT CHILDREN



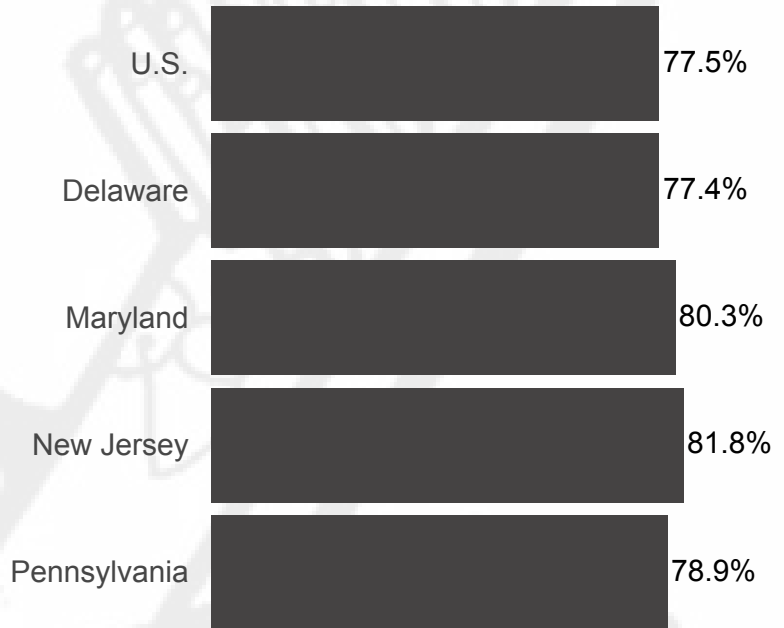
★ IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH

Support access to quality oral health services, particularly for families with disadvantaged backgrounds.

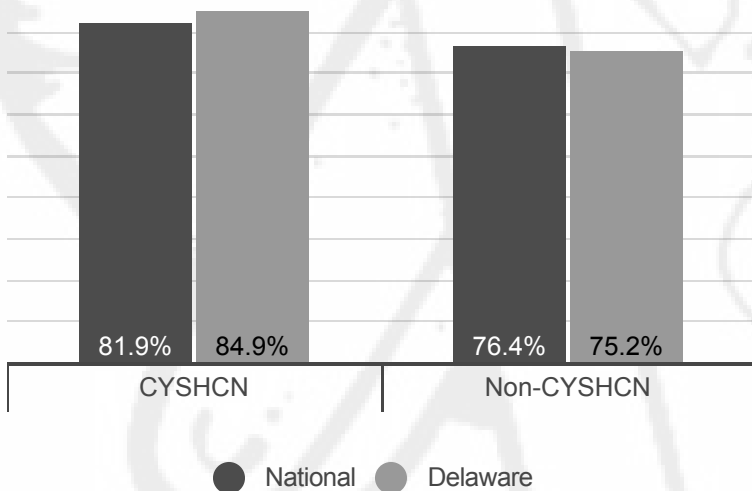
To protect overall health through advancement in oral health care.

▲ HOW ARE WE DOING?

According to the 2020/2021 National Survey of Children's Health, 22.6% of Delaware children have not had a preventive dental visit in the past year, which is comparable to the national average of 22.5%.



PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN, AGES 1-17, WHO HAD A PREVENTIVE DENTAL VISIT IN THE PAST YEAR (2020/2021 NATIONAL SURVEY OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH)



★ HOW ARE WE DOING?

According to the 2020/2021 National Survey of Children's Health, 24.8% of non-CYSHCN Delaware children and 15.1% of CYSHCN have not had a preventive dental visit in the past year, which is comparable to the national average of 23.6% and 18.1% respectively.

“While tooth decay is the most common childhood disease, it is also nearly 100% preventable.”

CHILDREN, AGES 1-17, WHO HAD ONE OR MORE PREVENTIVE DENTAL VISITS IN THE PAST YEAR BASED ON SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS (2020/2021 NATIONAL SURVEY OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH)

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DELAWARE GOALS

Increase the percent of Delaware children, ages 1 through 17, who have an annual preventive dental visit.



DELAWARE'S ACTIVE MEASURES

Oral Health for children is one of Delaware's currently selected National Performance Measures (NPM) for the upcoming fiscal year.



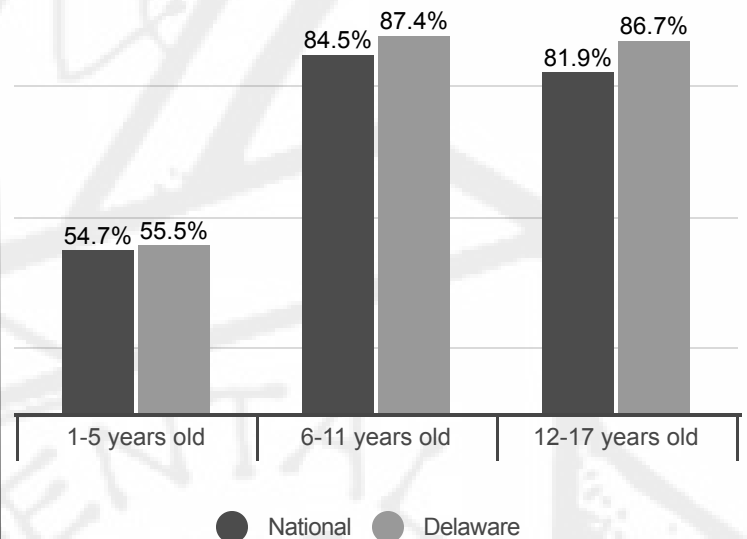
DELAWARE'S COMMUNITY VOICE

"There is a lack of dental coverage for low-income individuals."



HOW ARE WE DOING?

According to the 2020/2021 National Survey of Children's Health, 44.5% of Delaware children, ages 1-5, have not had a preventive dental visit in the past year. Additionally, 12.6% of Delaware's 6-11 year olds and 15.5% of Delaware's 12-17 year olds have not had a preventive dental visit in the past year.



CHILDREN, AGES 1-17, WHO HAD A PREVENTIVE DENTAL VISIT IN THE PAST YEAR BASED ON AGE GROUPS (2020/2021 NATIONAL SURVEY OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH)



FEDERAL OBJECTIVES

Increase access to comprehensive oral health care for MCH populations most at risk for oral disease.

- Children from mothers with poor oral health develop tooth decay at a higher rate. One in five are affected in early childhood.
- When left untreated, tooth decay can harm children's quality of life and impair academic performance.