



# The Virginia PIOHQIE Trail



Perinatal Infant Oral Health Quality Improvement Expansion Grant

## GOAL

To improve access to oral health information for pregnant women and infants by educating non-dental professional on oral health and dental care and empowering them to share this information with their clients.

## Sustainability

- **Policy Change** at **PILOT 1** with new forms that included the name of the parent's and child's dentist, the dates of scheduled dental appointments, and whether or not dental appointments are kept.
- Home Visiting trainings in-person or online
- Bright Smiles for Babies, Fluoride Varnish training for community health nurses
- Quality Improvement Measures
- **Promote the Age 1 Dental Visit**
- Train dental providers
- Dental providers that treat pregnant women and accept Medicaid
- Standardized curriculum and resources
  - Bright Futures oral health
  - Parents As Teachers (PAT) curriculum
  - Home Visiting toolkit
  - VDHLiveWell oral health

## Stakeholders

- State Oral Health Coalition
- State Medicaid Services
- Home Visiting Programs and Organizations
- Medical Schools
- Dental Schools
- Dental Hygiene Program
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- Local Health Departments
- State Rural Health Association



**Only 15.7%** of pregnant women in Virginia went to a dentist or dental clinic about an oral health problem.

