

IOHA 2025 Annual Report

With support of members, sponsors, and partners, the IOHA is the convener for collaborative discussions and actions that promote a collective vision of *optimal oral health for Idahoans*. Financial support and active engagement from our champions helps lead conversations and facilitate actions that move us closer to this vision.

Our mission: To lead collaborative efforts to bring optimal oral health to Idahoans through education, advocacy, and program development intentionally acknowledges IOHA leadership in statewide efforts to work collectively to address the oral health needs of all Idahoans.

Our two main ongoing initiatives:

Oral Health Integration

Efforts to support the long-term initiative of leading *Oral Health Integration into Primary Care Settings in Idaho* included unveiling an 8-part oral health training program for medical providers through a partnership with ECHO Idaho; participating in a national Learning Collaborative to support oral healthcare integration into OB settings; providing input to the Idaho Division of Medicaid in preparation for changes in Medicaid delivery that will hopefully impact integration; supporting collaborative efforts in the Clearwater River Corridor to increase oral health availability, and creation of an in-clinic training program for obstetricians, doulas, and midwives.

Healthy Me is Cavity-Free

The Healthy Me initiative addresses the issue of caries in children ages o to 6. A statewide steering committee and sub-committees have been working to create avenues to combat the issue. Ongoing efforts include additional training for childcare providers, a billboard smarketing campaign, enhanced in-office training for pediatricians and family practice providers, and support for the five Idaho Public Health Districts that provide oral health programming.

Other significant IOHA efforts in 2025 included:

- Creation of the annual report for the 2021-2026 Idaho Oral Health Improvement Plan. To report 2025 activity, by Dec. 31, 2025, use the form found here. We hope all IOHA partners will report activities that relate to the plan goals.
- Providing input to the Idaho Dept. of Health & Welfare in their bid for a Federal Rural Health Transformation grant.
- Partnering with IdahoSTARS to continue support of oral health education for childcare providers.
- Ongoing support of IOHP efforts regarding oral health access, oral health workforce needs, teledentistry, school-based sealant programs, and community water fluoridation.
- Partnering with the Idaho representative for the 100 Million Mouths Campaign to bring oral health education to medical training/education programs.
- Mentoring new oral health coalition executive directors in Arizona and S. Carolina.

Even with corporate support, your membership payments continue to make the IOHA work possible, so we look forward to your continued feedback, volunteer participation, and renewal of your dues for 2026. Renew today at https://www.idahooralhealth.org/membership/

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