

## **Vision Statement**

Achieve a cavity-free Oregon through the eradication of dental disease among Oregon's K-12 population.

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the K-12 Committee is to become a central oral health promotion resource for Oregon schools and organizations serving youth to: increase in-school access to oral health services, advance educational success outcomes, promote self-esteem, increase school attendance, and improve overall health and wellness to support Oregon's youth population.

## **Goals**

1. Improve, sustain, and support infrastructure for access and delivery of oral health services for K-12 populations while supporting health care transformation
2. Promote and integrate best practices for culturally responsive and trauma-informed dental care in school-based oral health programs
3. Identify, connect, and inform stakeholders participating in K-12 health and wellness services

## **Function**

1. Align committee goals with the Strategic Plan for Oral Health in Oregon
2. Provide resources such as regional access to care, guidelines, evidence-influenced practices, and data collection for school-based services
3. Promote a paradigm shift to normalize school health and wellness services
4. Foster a platform to move innovative ideas into evidence-influenced practices
5. Improve collaboration among interdisciplinary providers and partners
6. Increase school and parental acceptance for school-based health and wellness services
7. Advocate for standardization of data collection, metrics and reporting
8. Identify stakeholders in youth health and wellness efforts and their function
9. Promote Medicaid enrollment and service utilization
10. Work together for collective impact of improved health outcomes