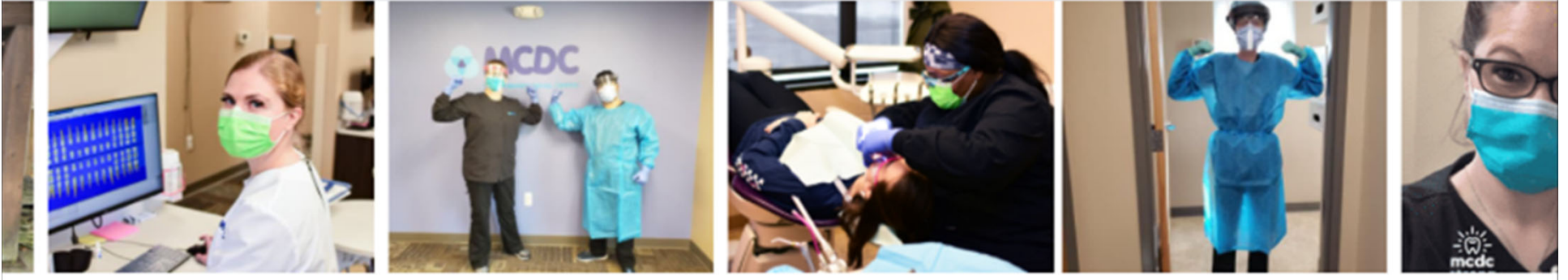


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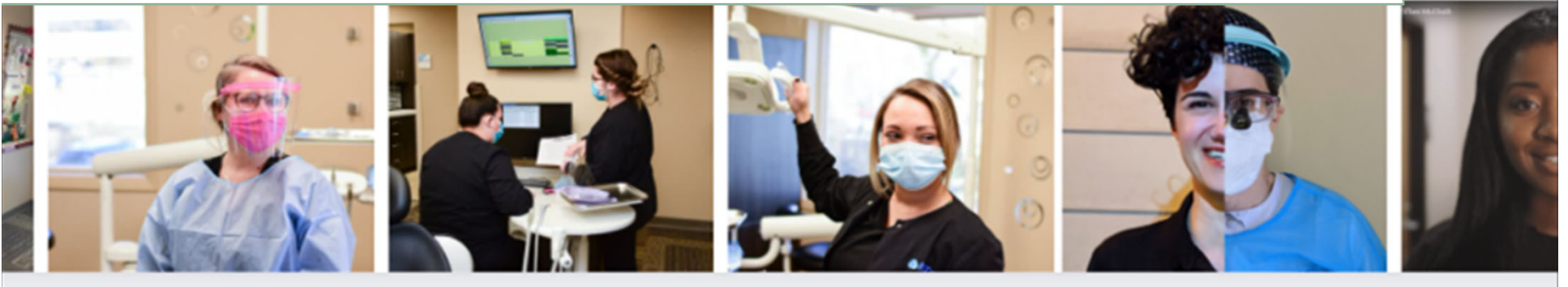
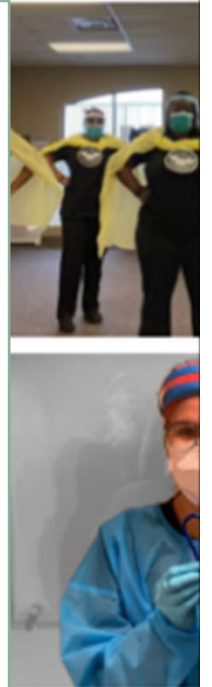
My Community Dental Centers

Dental Care for All





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My Community Dental Center





My Community Dental Centers (MCDC)

A statewide safety-net increasing access to full-service quality dental care for all ages.



Our Impact

85,053

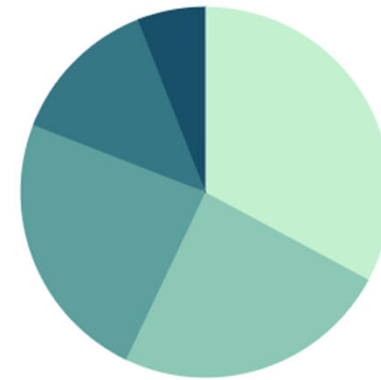
Total patients served
across all centers

*State Fiscal Year as 2021

67,996

Total patients seen with state
funded dental coverage
HKD, Medicaid, HMP

That's almost
80%!



Medicaid	32.9%
Healthy Kids	21.5%
Healthy MI Plan	20.5%
Insurance	18.9%
Uninsured	5.6%

There is still a need!

Millions of Michiganders struggle to access basic dental care.



\$400

Avg. Cost of
Emergency
Room Visits

Emergency department
visits do not address the
root cause of the dental
emergency.

\$140

Avg. Cost of
Dental Office
Visits

In 2021, MCDC served
7,867 same-day dental emergencies,
saving our State on average

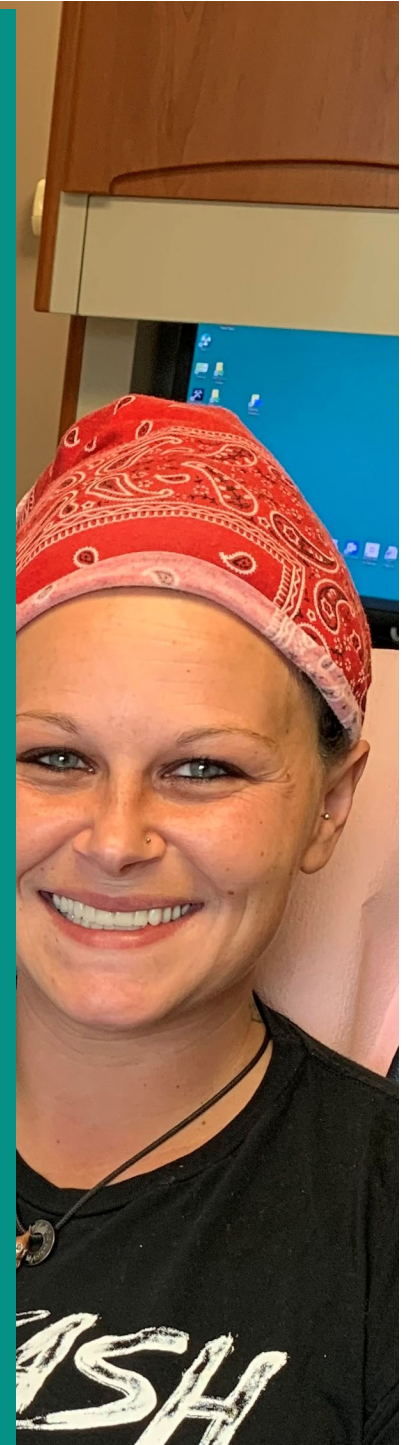
\$3 MILLION

in unnecessary dental related emergency room
visits each year.



Meet Sarah

"I've lived in Macomb County most of my life. I searched and searched for a Dentist, but with Medicaid I was never able to find help. That is when I found MCDC in Port Huron. My first visit I discovered that I had periodontal disease. After a deep cleaning and trying to save my teeth, together we decided that a full mouth extraction would be best."

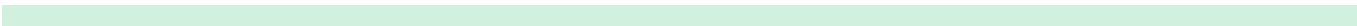


Medicaid Dental Program

Current Landscape

Michigan currently has a fragmented and uncoordinated system for delivering dental services for the Medicaid population.

	Average Program Enrollment	Delivery System Today
Healthy Kids Dental	948,998	Two Statewide Dental Health Plans
Healthy Michigan Plan Dental	528,347*	Nine Comprehensive Medicaid Health Plans
Medicaid Adult Dental	711,378	Base Medicaid fee-for-service (FFS) program



Adult FFS Rate Comparison

Code	Procedure Category	Short Description	Michigan Adult FFS	Midwest Avg (Excluding MI)	Healthy Kids Dental
D7140	Oral Surgery	Extraction Erupted Tooth/Exr	\$25.62	\$ 45.32	\$ 85.00
D1110	Preventive	Dental Prophylaxis Adult	\$22.10	\$ 32.14	\$ 54.00
D0120	Diagnostic	Periodic Oral Evaluation	\$14.89	\$ 17.61	\$ 28.00
D2331	Restorative	Resin Two Surfaces-Anterior	\$36.77	\$ 53.44	\$ 104.00
D5110	Removables	Dentures Complete Maxillary	\$341.25	\$ 422.22	\$ 860.00





THE SOLUTION:

An Investment in Oral Health

- \$243.3 million (68.6M GF) to consolidate child and adult Medicaid and Healthy Michigan Plan dental benefit into a single managed care contract with Dental Health Plans.
- \$4.3 million (1.99M GF) to increase the dental procedure reimbursement rate for outpatient hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers across the state.

The Dental Crisis is multi-faceted resulting in



Increased healthcare costs



**Unnecessary emergency room
visits**



**Exacerbates Chronic
Health & Dental Conditions**

Barriers to Dental Care

COVID-19 has intensified health disparities and further limited access to dental care and other necessary health services.

These barriers limit our ability to meet the increasing needs.

- Very few dentists (1 in 10) accept Medicaid FFS dental
 - Reimbursement rates have not been increased in decades and do not cover the cost of providing care
 - Lack of timely, preventive care = Increased treatment costs
 - If parents do not have access to a dentist their children are less likely to get dental care
 - The dental safety-net is not adequate
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Critical Connections Between Oral Health & Overall Health

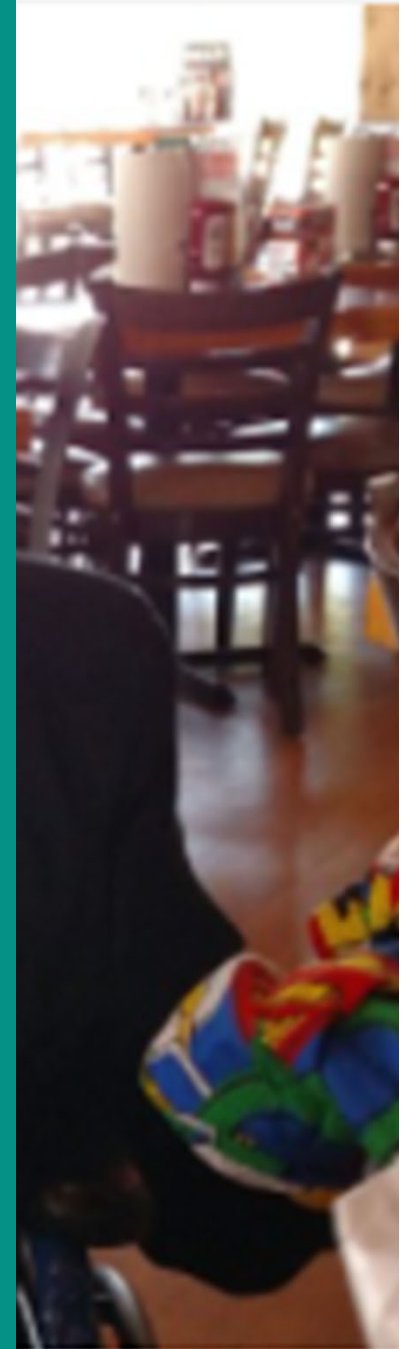
- COVID-19 patients with gum disease were
 - **3.5x** more likely to be admitted to the intensive care unit
 - **4.5x** more likely to need a ventilator
 - **8.8x** more likely to die when compared to those without gum disease.
- Poor oral health can lead to several systemic conditions such as **cardiovascular disease, diabetes, or adverse pregnancy outcomes.**

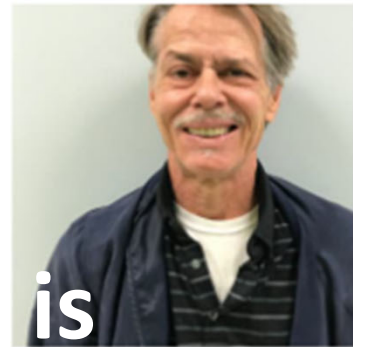
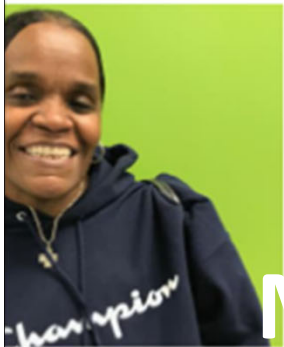
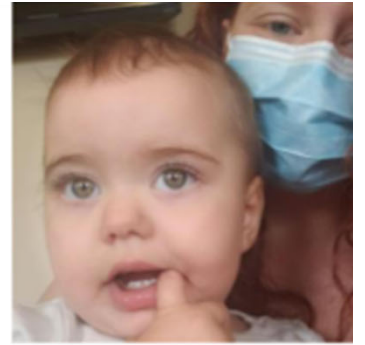
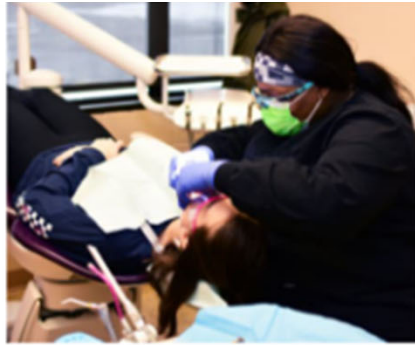
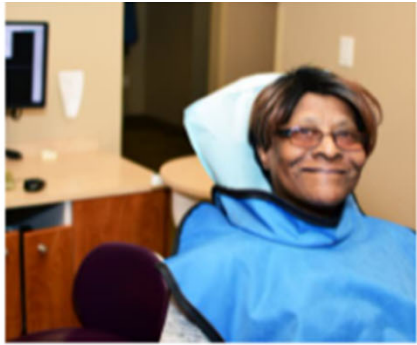
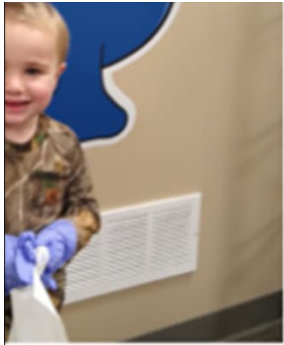


Meet Mark & Edie

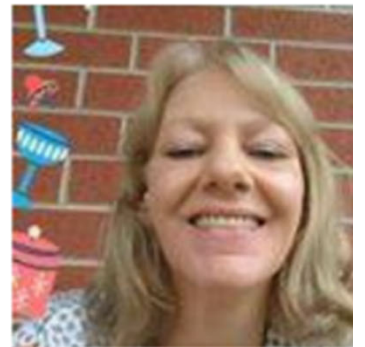
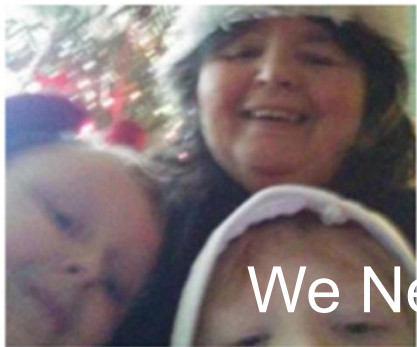
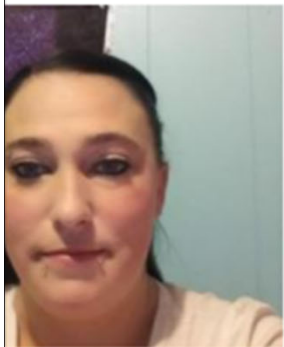
“We tried a variety of options, like driving to Saginaw [from our home in Bay City], but programs were full, or the waitlists were too long, making it hard to get in for an appointment. Other times, we would show up for appointments, expecting to move forward with a treatment plan, only to find out otherwise when they scheduled additional appointments for care. I was so unhappy and disappointed so many times — It just didn’t work,”

- Edie, Mark's Mother





If the dental crisis is not addressed the health of our Michiganders and our economy is at stake!



We Need You To Take Action!

