Oral Health Facts

- Tooth decay is the #1 most common chronic disease in children.
- Untreated tooth decay can lead to tooth loss, problems with speaking and eating, and even low self esteem.
- Approximately 50% of Kentucky’s kids have early or urgent dental needs.
- Kentucky ranks 5th highest on adults whom experienced dental pain in the last year and 2nd highest in toothlessness in the United States.

Stay up to date on news and events of KOHC at www.kyoralhealthcoalition.org.
Kentucky Oral Health Coalition (KOHC) is a group of concerned citizens, advocates, and professionals working together to improve oral health across Kentucky.

Guiding Principles

Mission Statement
Improve the oral health of all people of Kentucky.

Vision Statement
Kentucky’s vision of impact is to engage partners across the state to create a collaborative oral health network designed to:
- Educate parents
- Activate policy makers
- Inspire and engage professionals to create optimal oral health for all.

Coalition Priorities
1. Improve oral health awareness
2. Increase access to oral health care

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Become a Member of KOHC
- Work collaboratively to make a true impact on oral health in Kentucky.
- Network with others at coalition meetings and events.
- Vote on coalition decisions including policy priorities, election of officers, and other coalition related decisions.
- Attend coalition meetings and activities and take part in coalition workgroups.
- Receive CEU credits by attending annual and quarterly meetings.
- Marketing opportunities for organizational members. Logos will appear on various publications, promotional materials and related documents as an organizational member of the coalition.

You can become a member online at: https://kyoralhealthcoalition.org/membership

Types of Membership

Student Member (Voting Member)
Annual dues of $10
(Must be a full time student)

Individual Member (Voting Member)
Annual dues of $50
- CEUs available for KOHC meetings

Small Business Membership
Annual dues of $100
- Includes 3 named members
- CEUs available to each member for KOHC meetings
- $25 for each additional named member up to 10 members total

Governmental Organization
Annual dues of $150
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- One vote per organization
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Non-Profit Organization
Annual dues of $300
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For-Profit Organization
Annual dues of $500
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