

Oral Health Plan Advisory Group Selected Action Steps for 2023-2024

- *Reduce total health care costs through policies and advocacy that enhance access to oral disease prevention and treatment services;*
- *Initiate policy(ies) to expand the oral health workforce in venues serving underserved populations to provide more opportunities for access to treatment, prevention and education services;*
- *Reduce oral health disparities according to race, income, ethnicity age, geographic residence, disability status and education levels;*
- *Initiate a policy on Medicaid reimbursement for community health workers (and similar groups) for home visiting, education services, and appropriate referral to dental homes;*
- *Advocate for mandated and increased level funding for the Medicaid fee schedule;*
- *Identify and support pipeline program development to ensure a competent and diverse future oral health workforce; and/or*
- *Secure state and federal funding to implement, administer, and operate statewide dental public health programs designed to enhance oral health equity.*