



Health Net

OF WEST MICHIGAN

Navigating Care. Connecting Resources.

Kent County Oral Health Coalition

Mission Statement: Improve the oral health of Kent County citizens

Vision Statement: Healthy teeth in every mouth

KCOHC Timeline

Past to Present

The Past

- Coalition was established in 2011 by First Steps Kent
- Initial focus: Clinical dental care access issues experienced by children with Medicaid
- Quickly learned the whole population of Kent County needs oral health access, education, and advocacy, especially underserved and low income citizens
- In April, 2014, KCOHC moved, along with CHAP, to become an initiative under Health Net of West Michigan

The Present

Currently, the KCOHC is working toward the following goals:

- Advocate for an improved adult Medicaid dental benefit
- Increase knowledge and understanding of oral health through an equity and social justice lens
- Increase visibility within the community and increase the number of community members on the coalition

Mini Grant Pilot

Cherry Health

Dégagé Ministries

The Hispanic Center of Western Michigan



Local Federally Qualified Health Center

Services:

- Primary Care
- Women's Health
- Pediatrics
- Dental
- Vision
- Behavioral Health
- Correctional Health
- School Based Health Centers



Mini Grant Project Title

Improving the Oral Health of Pregnant Women and Young Children



Dégagé

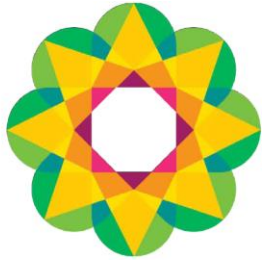
MINISTRIES

Dégagé's goal is to ensure that every man and woman served knows that he or she is not alone.



Mini Grant Project Title

Oral Health Education and Access for the Homeless Population



HISPANIC CENTER

of western michigan

Founded in 1978, the goal of the Hispanic Center is to provide unmet social services to the Hispanic Community in Greater West Michigan.

Mini Grant Project Title

Oral Health Education and Access for the Hispanic Population



Community Events

Exalta Health's Free Dental Day

Seed's of Promise: Southtown's Night Out

Grand Rapids Public School's Back to School Celebration



Exalta Health

Our community. Our health.



SEEDS
of PROMISE™



GRPS

Community Partners

The KCOHC unites health systems, providers, and individuals to improve the health outcomes of Kent County's most vulnerable citizens.

Community Partners

- Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan
- Baxter Community Center
- Cherry Health
- Dégagé Ministries
- Exalta Health
- Family Futures
- Ferris State University
- First Steps Kent
- Grand Rapids African American Health Institute
- Grand Rapids Community College
- Grand Rapids Public Schools
- Grand Valley State University
- Great Start Collaborative
- Head Start for Kent County
- Helen DeVos Children's Hospital
- Hispanic Center of Western Michigan
- Kent County Health Department
- MDHHS
- Mel Trotter Ministries
- Mercy Health
- Metro Health University of Michigan Health
- GVSU Family Health Center
- Michigan Dental Hygienist Association
- Michigan Oral Health Coalition
- My Community Dental Centers
- Kent Intermediate School District
- Kent School Services Network
- Spectrum Health
- West Michigan Asian American Association
- West Michigan District Dental Society

Thank You

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