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## Division of Public and Behavioral Health Oral Health Updates

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**NEVADA  
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**Nevada Health Response Guidance: Directive 011**  
**Administration of Vaccines by Providers of Medical Services**  
**January 14, 2021**

**All qualified providers of medical services may administer the COVID-19 vaccine.**

This Guidance clarifies that the intent and purpose of Directive 011 is to broadly allow and encourage as many qualified providers of medical services as possible to administer COVID-19 vaccines, in addition to providing other medical services related to the COVID pandemic.

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN)	No	
Medical Assistant	Yes	
Pharmacist	No	
Pharmacy Intern	Yes	Must be registered with the Board of Pharmacy
Pharmacy Technician	Yes	Must be registered with the Board of Pharmacy
Dentist	No	
Dental hygienists	Yes	
Veterinarian	No	At Point of Distribution (“POD”) sites only
Veterinarian Technician	Yes	At POD sites only
Podiatrist	No	At POD sites only
Students or trainees of any of these professions	Yes	





# Nevada Health Response, Directive 11

As of January 14, 2021, Nevada Gov. Steve Sisolak, Nevada Health Response, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services issued the following [press release](#) Nevada Health Response Guidance: [Directive 011 Administration of Vaccines by Providers of Medical Services](#)

**What it says:** All qualified healthcare providers are encouraged to administer COVID-19 vaccinations.

**Who:** Dentists and dental hygienists are qualified to administer the vaccine, and dental hygienists must be supervised.

**Word of Caution:** Although the directive allows dentists to administer the COVID-19 vaccine outside of a Point of Distribution (POD), dentists are cautioned against administering the vaccine in one's office.



# Nevada Health Response, Directive 11

**What to Do to Administer the Vaccine:** Complete the CDC's self-paced vaccine administration course.

- [Review modules prior to taking the course](#). or
- [Take the course and view the modules within the e-course](#).
- Complete the course.
- Go to <https://tceols.cdc.gov> and set up an account.
- Under “search courses,” search for the course: "WB2502 Immunization: You Call the Shots-Module Eighteen- Vaccine Administration" and add the course to your list.
- To earn CE for courses:
  - Under Pending CE, click on the Course Evaluation and complete it.
  - Click on the Post-test and complete it. If you don't pass the Post-test, you will have one opportunity to retake it.

**Register through SERV-NV to help.**

- If you are provider of dental services and you would like to help administer the vaccine, please apply at [www.servnv.org](http://www.servnv.org) and register as part of the Battle Born Medical Corps organization.







# Oral Health Related Legislation for the 81<sup>st</sup> (2021) Session

40-455	<b>Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200)</b> Revises provisions governing dentistry.
54-645	<b>Assemblyman O'Neill</b> Authorizes licensed dentists, dental hygienists and dental therapists to administer vaccines and makes certain other changes related to the practice of dentistry.
40-415 <a href="#"><u>SB40</u></a>	<b>Patient Protection Commission</b> Revises provisions relating to the reporting of data by the health care industry.
S-38	<b>Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (NRS 218E.750)</b> Appropriates money to the Adopt-a-Vet Dental Program.
54-457	<b>Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200)</b> Provides for the collection of certain data concerning providers of health care.
54-450	<b>Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200)</b> Requires persons authorized to prescribe controlled substances to complete certain training.
57-817	<b>Senator Kieckhefer</b> Revises provisions relating to dentists.



# Possible Oral Health Related Legislation

614	<b>Senator Hardy</b>
	Makes various changes to expand access to and improve the delivery of health care in Nevada.
710	<b>Assemblywoman Gorelow</b>
	Establishes a health care clinic pilot program.

## Budgets:

- For dental/dental hygiene educational institutions
- Nevada Medicaid





# Nevada Legislative Website

- **Nevada Electronic Legislative Information System (NELIS)**

[Nevada Electronic Legislative Information System \(NELIS\)](#)

- NELIS houses bill information for current and past legislative sessions, including the legislative calendar, BDR information, bill status, bill amendments, bill actions, legislator information, daily committee hearing schedules, and more. It is updated in real time while session is occurring. NELIS also houses bill histories from past sessions

- **Personalized Legislative Tracking (PLT)**

[Personalized Legislative Tracking \( PLT\)](#)

- You can create a Personalized Legislative Tracking (PLT) account to keep track of a bill's progress. PLT will notify you via email of changes to bill hearings, bill language, scheduling, and votes of the bill.
- There is a free option to track up to 10 bills





# Tonopah Clinic

- Nevada Dental Foundation, 501c3, non-profit
- Contact us at: [nevadadentalfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:nevadadentalfoundation@gmail.com)
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- Executive Director: Dr. Joseph Wineman
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- Directors: Drs. David Mahon, Amy Tongsiri, Jessica Watts, and David Etchell, and Michele Reeder, and Thomas Brooksbank

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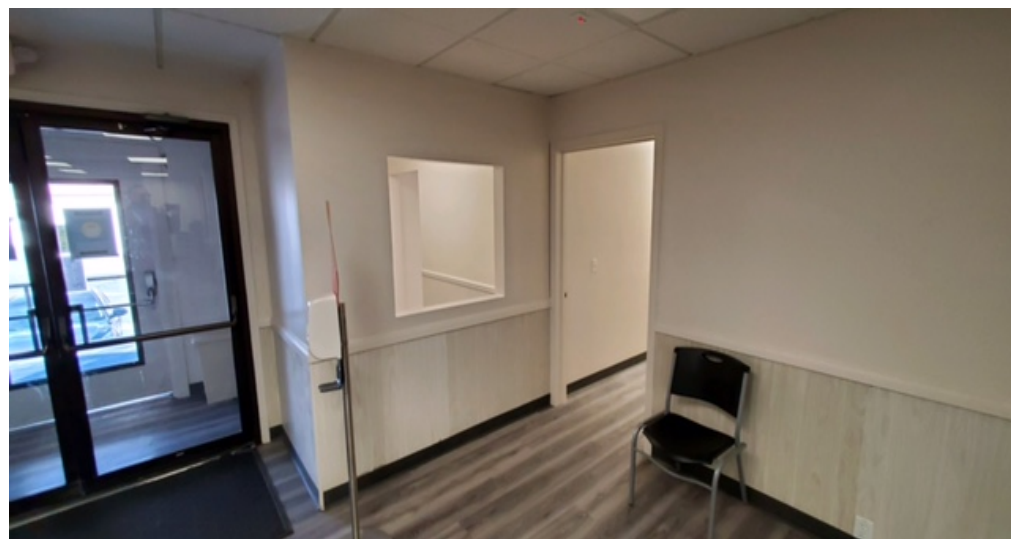








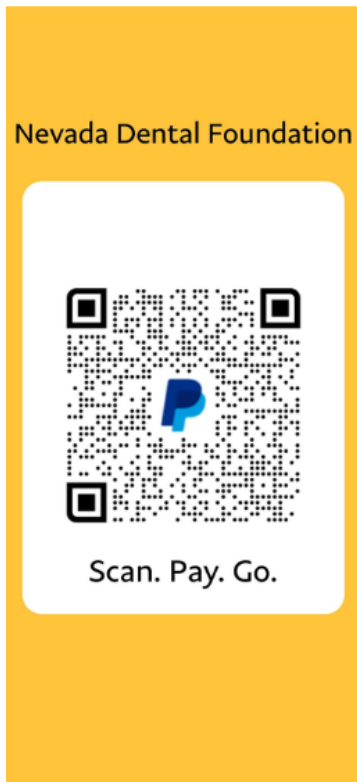
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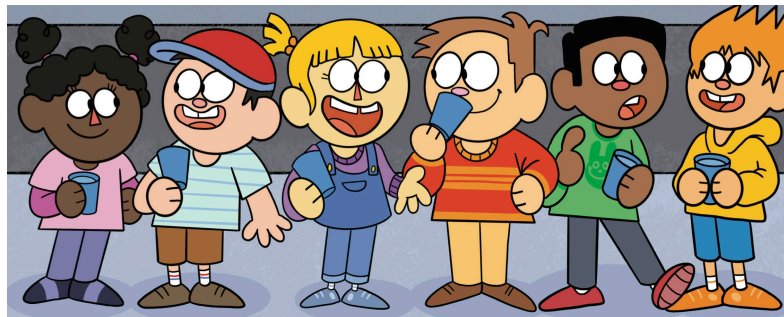
# Nevada Action Network

- The Oral Health Program has partnered with Liberty Dental Plan to reach school-age children at home with virtual check-up with a dental professional and parent applied fluoride varnish applications.
- Mission: to maximizing Medicaid's potential to close the disparities gap and improve health equity experienced by school age children unable school health services.
- Parents and children receive education and the parent is engaged in the oral health of their child.
- To sign-up or learn more, visit: **NevadaOralHealth.org** or scan this QR:



# Children's Dental Health Month

- Begins February 1<sup>st</sup>
- This year's theme is "Water, Nature's Drink"
- Social media campaign to promote oral health, healthy nutritional choices, and create a dialogue
- **#sipNflip4NVkids**
- The Nevada Oral Health Program challenges Nevadans to swap out these types of drinks with "Water, Nature's Drink!"

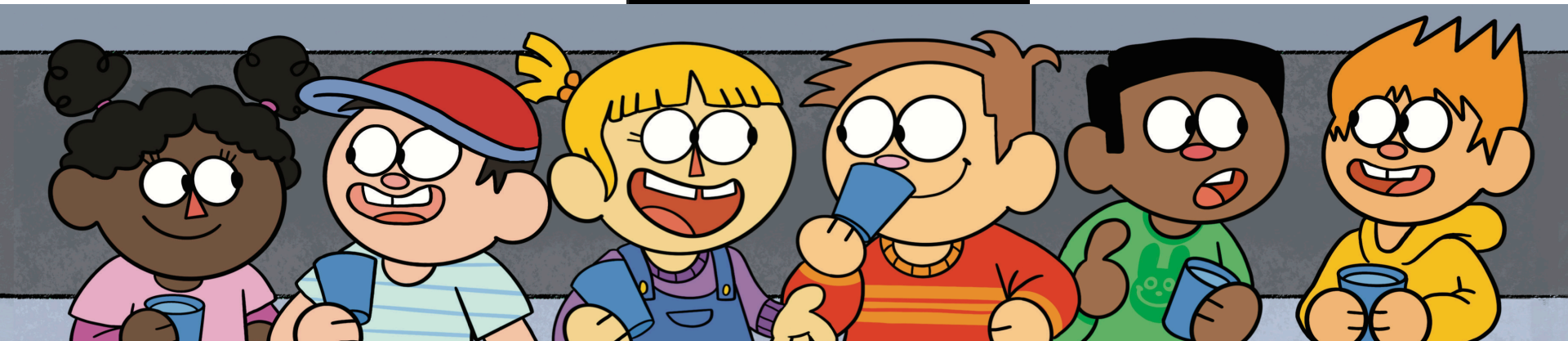


February is National Children's Dental Health Month. Visit [ADA.org/NCDHM2021](https://ada.org/NCDHM2021) for more activity sheets.





# #sipNflip4NVkids



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## Challenge:

**Step #1:** Create a video of you, your team, and/or your family taking a sip of water,

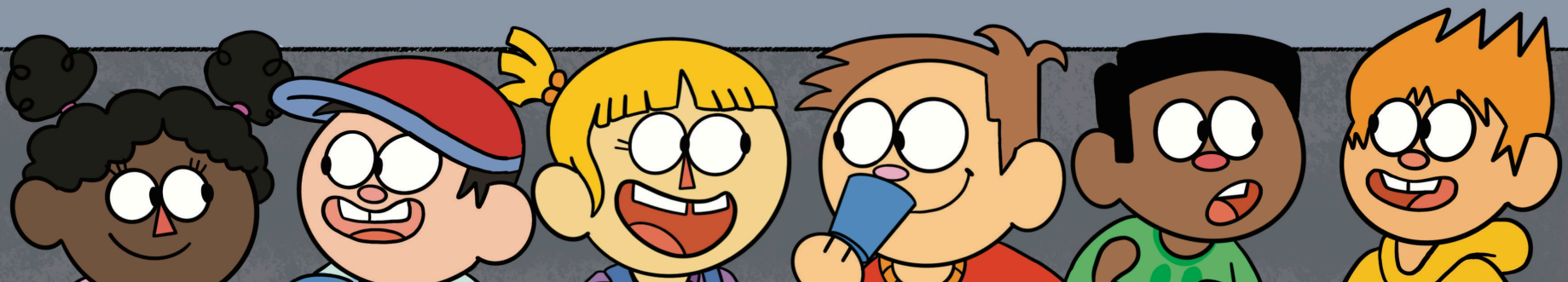
**Step #2:** State why you are choosing water over a sugary beverage

**Step #3:** Then flip the water bottle or cup upside down – the more creative the better!

**Post the video** to your organization and personal social media accounts with messaging to promote drinking water to support a health smile and the hashtag\* #sipNflip4NVkids

(Sample Post: *“February is National Children’s Dental Health Month. Help support a health smile by swapping out your sugary beverages with water – nature’s drink!”*)

**Tag at least three other organizations** or friends/family members challenging them to take the challenge and share with their network.



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ADA Foundation



Nevada Department of  
Health and Human Services  
**Oral Health Program**

## Welcome to National Children's Dental Health Month "Water - Nature's Drink"

The February 2021 National Children's Dental Health Month (NCDHM) is brought to you by the Nevada Oral Health Program, in partnership with the American Dental Association. This year's NCDHM campaign slogan is **"Water, Nature's Drink!"** which encourages kids to swap out sugary beverages for water.

Tooth decay is the #1 most common chronic childhood disease. This month-long national health observance brings together thousands of dedicated professionals, healthcare providers, and educators to promote the benefits of good oral health to children, their caregivers, teachers and many others. NCDHM messages reach millions of people in communities across the country and at numerous armed service bases. Local observances often include poster, coloring and essay contests, health fairs, free dental screenings, museum exhibits, classroom presentations and dental office tours.

For this year's campaign, the Nevada Oral Health Program will be facilitating a social media campaign to promote choosing water rather than sugar sweetened beverages. The Nevada Oral Health Program challenges Nevadans to swap out these types of drinks with **"Water, Nature's Drink!"** Post a video on your social media platforms of yourself sharing why you choose water over sugary drinks and doing the Sip & Flip challenge. Be sure to use the hashtags **#sipNflip4NVkids**. Then, tag and challenge three of your followers to do the same!

To help you get started, this year's community toolkit includes:

- **#sipNflip4NVkids** Challenge Reusable Water Bottle
- **#sipNflip4NVkids** Challenge Step-By-Step Guide
- Sugar Sweetened Beverages Infographic
- About the Nevada Oral Health Program
- DPBH OHP Mask
- USB Drive with Additional Electronic Materials
  - Campaign Launch Video
  - **#sipNflip4NVkids** Challenge Step-By-Step Guide - to share on social media!
  - Sugar Sweetened Beverages Infographic - to share on social media!
  - NCDHM Activity Sheets

For more information contact [Imoses@health.nv.gov](mailto:Imoses@health.nv.gov)



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## Nevada Oral Health Program

Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public and Behavioral Health

**Mission:** The mission of the Nevada Oral Health Program is to protect, promote, and improve the oral health of the people of Nevada. The Oral Health Program and its partners collaborate to promote optimal oral health for Nevadans across the lifespan.

**Vision:** A healthy Nevada, where all people experience the benefits of oral health intrinsically linked to overall health. Our vision is to remove barriers to a patient's ability to maintain oral health regardless of the patient's location, age, or financial status.

### 2021 Oral Health Strategies

1. Increase Access to Dental Services and Oral Health Education for Children and Pregnant Women
2. Increase Access to Dental Services and Oral Health Education for Adults
3. Build Oral Health Provider Capacity

### Current Projects

- COVID-19 Response for Dental Professionals
- Oral Health Surveillance of License Childcare Facilities in Rural Nevada in partnership with the Department of Education
- Nevada Action Network Teledentistry Program in partnership with Liberty Dental
- Oral Health Legislation in the 81st (2021) Session of the Nevada Legislature (BDR 40-455, BDR 645, BDR 54-457)
- Support for Implementation of oral health legislation from the 80th (2019) Session of the Nevada Legislature (AB223 and SB366)
- National Children's Dental Health Month (February)
- Tonopah Dental Clinic in partnership with the Nevada Dental Foundation with support from the Northern Nye County Hospital District
- Emergency Room Redirect Pilot Project for Non-Traumatic Dental Conditions in partnership with UMC Hospital, Liberty Dental Plan, Teledentistry.com, and UNLV School of Dental Medicine
- Medicaid Dental RFP for 2021 Contract for Dental Benefits Administrator
- Dental Education and Clinical Expertise for the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy

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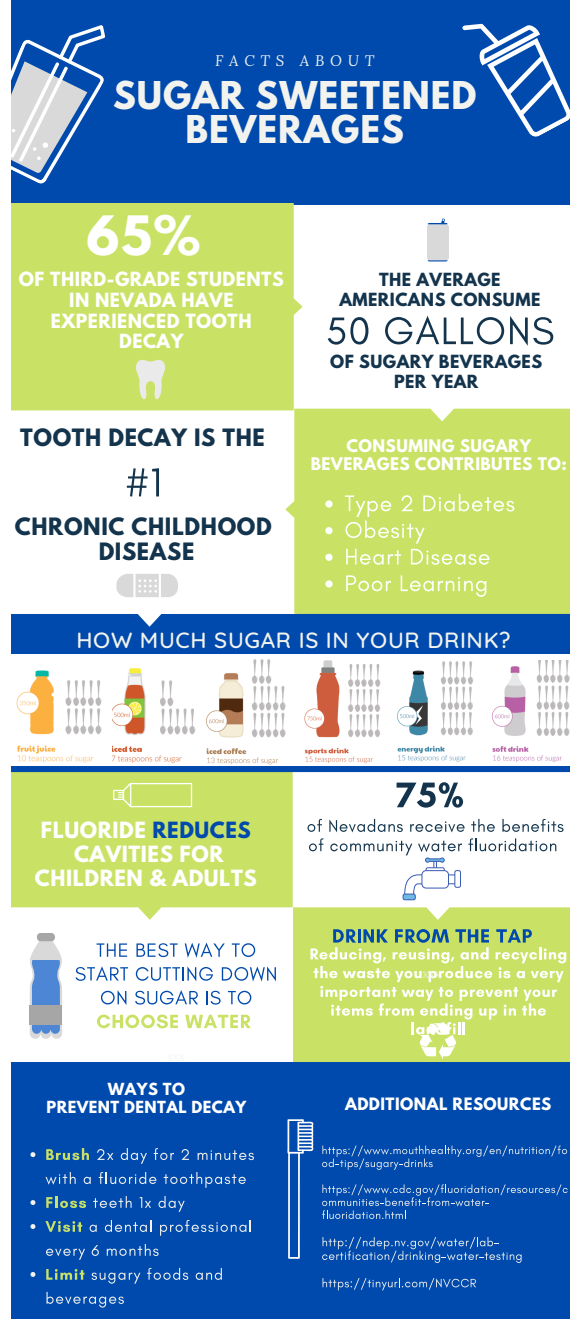
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## #sipNflip4NVkids Challenge

### CREATE

a video stating why you choose water over sugary beverages. Then take a sip of water and flip the cup/water bottle upside down - the more creative the better!

#### STEP 01



### POST

the video to your organization and personal social media accounts with messaging to promote drinking water to support a health smile and the hashtag\* **#sipNflip4NVkids**

\*Posts will be monitored by hashtag and winners selected.



### TAG

three other organizations or friends/family members challenging them to take the challenge and share with their network

#### STEP 02

#### STEP 03



### SHARE

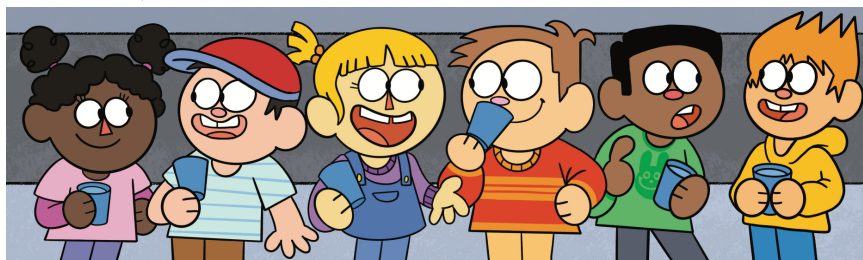
the videos of those you challenged from your social media page to help them reach more viewers

(Sample message: "February is National Children's Health Month. Help support a health smile by swapping out your sugary beverages with water - nature's drink!")

#### STEP 04



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Health and Human Services  
**Oral Health Program**  
[www.dphh.nv.gov/Programs/OH/OH-Home/](http://www.dphh.nv.gov/Programs/OH/OH-Home/)







## Prizes

### Official Rules

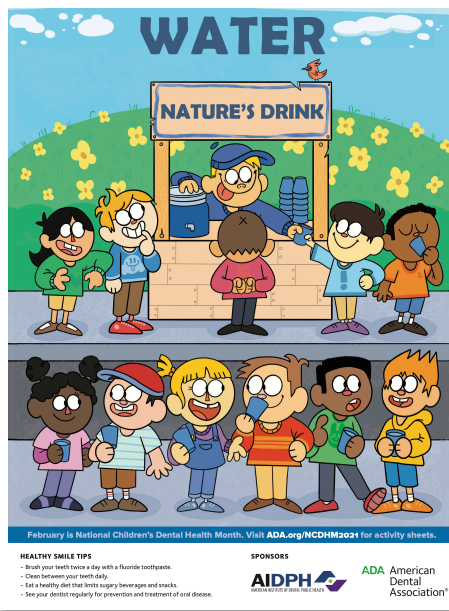
Challenge anyone to participate. In order to be eligible for a prize, you must be between the ages of 5 to 18. You must follow the steps of the contest (state your name, challenge others, state why you are drinking water, sip and flip the cup/water bottle) in any order which will be verified before any prizes will be awarded.

This contest is not sponsored, endorsed, or administered by any social media platforms. Prizes awarded for the following categories: Most Original, Best Quality, Most Viral, Best Overall Video, Most Comments, and Sponsor's Favorite.

Prizes include water park tickets, gift baskets, electronic toothbrush bundles and are subject to change without notice. Contest ends 2/28/2021.



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## February National Children's Dental Health Month

This year's theme is "Water – Nature's Drink"

In honor of National Children's Dental Health Month, the Nevada Oral Health Program has partnered with Three Square. Join us on February 25<sup>th</sup> to distribute oral hygiene basics and educational resources to children and their families in Southern Nevada.

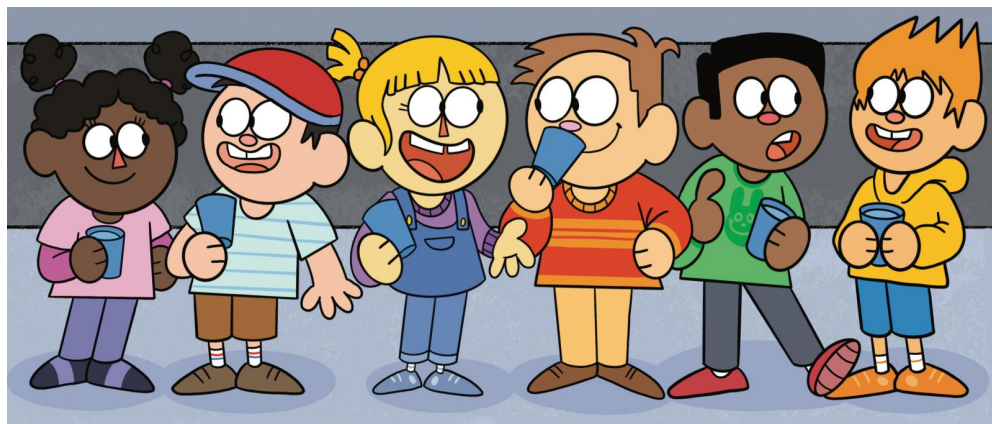
**Thursday, February 25 at 7:45 am to 12:00 pm**

**Address:** Elaine Wynn Elementary School

5655 Edna Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89146

If you are interested in volunteering, contact [Imoses@health.nv.gov](mailto:Imoses@health.nv.gov)

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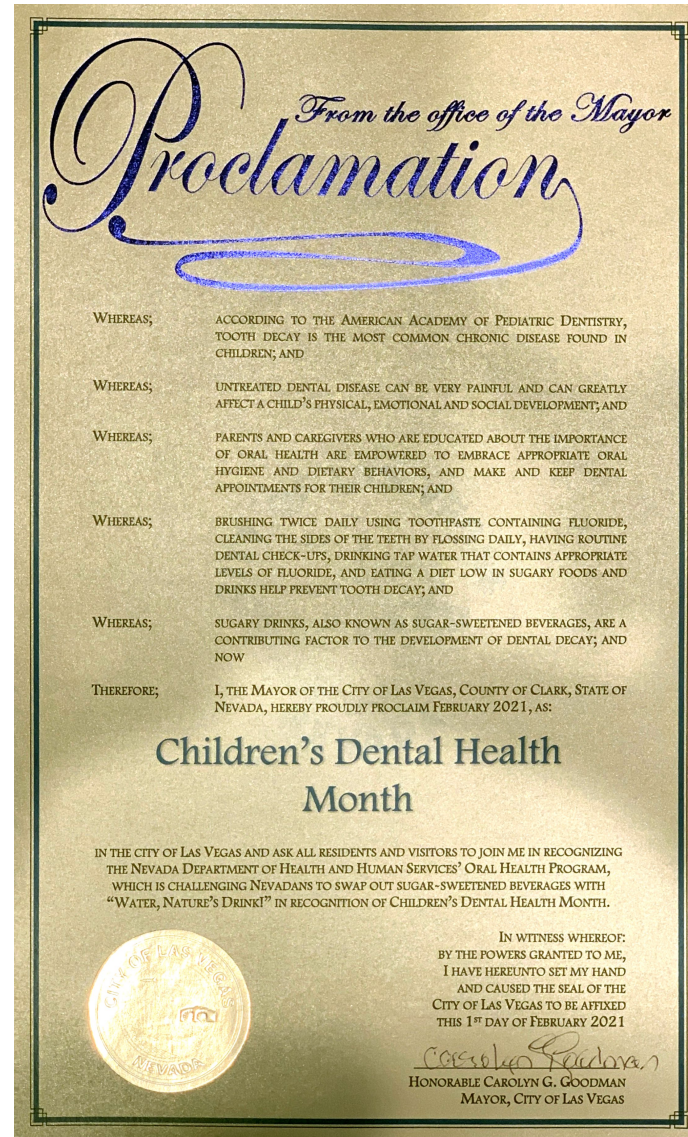
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# Proclamations for Children's Dental Health Month

- City of Elko
- City of Las Vegas
- City of Reno
- State of Nevada





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