

## UMass Family Practice Residency Oral Health Curriculum

### **Objectives:**

Learners at the end of their residency should be able to:

1. Take a focused risk history for oral health issues such as caries and periodontitis
2. Perform an age appropriate oral exam using pearls for pediatric or developmentally challenged persons
3. Offer advice for oral health promotion to all ages and backgrounds
4. Perform hands on treatment for basic oral health infections and urgencies by phone and in person including triage, pain management and antibiotic selection
5. Have an increased awareness of community health issues surrounding oral disease including local epidemiology, financial burdens, school health programs, oral health issues for those who are developmentally and intellectually disabled, other barriers to care, and personal stories
6. Apply fluoride varnish and understand the indications, risks, benefits
7. Improve approach to special populations for oral health prevention and management including pregnancy and geriatrics
8. For those in the global health track – appreciate world epidemiology in oral health disease and current programs, resources, and approaches to coordinating local care

### **Currently**

#### **Foundations**

Introduction to oral health (40 minutes)

Smiles for Life (SFL) – Module 1 – Oral-systemic connections

Local resources including dentists who take MassHealth, list of communities with fluoridated water

*Add* Module 7 – Adult Oral Exam

Second Year Core (2 hours)

Pediatric Oral Health and Fluoride Varnish – SF: Modules 2 and 6 and pedi exam from Module 7

Hands-On Workshop for Fluoride Varnish with a local dental hygienist

Local Resources Review

Global Health Track (1.5 hours)

Global Oral Health Lecture

#### **Proposal for 2012-2013**

Residents do mandatory independent on-line modules during each relevant rotation

Copies of test results/CME form sent to Hugh Silk and main office for upload to portfolio

Geriatrics - SFL Module 8 Geriatric Oral Health

MCH – SFL Module 5 – Pregnancy and Oral Health

Emergency Medicine – SFL Module 4 – Urgent Oral Health Issues

?to place SFL Module 3 Adult Oral Health Issues which includes oral lesions (?Derm)

#### **Proposal for 2013-2014**

Add practical component to ENT rotation

1 day in dental office to learn first hand about oral exams of children and adults, approach to cavities, infections, extracting teeth, root canals, referrals, insurance issues

