

Fast Facts



Tooth decay is one of the most common diseases among children in the United States.



Community water fluoridation is the most effective way to deliver benefits of fluoride to a community.



Water fluoridation prevents tooth decay by 18%-40%.

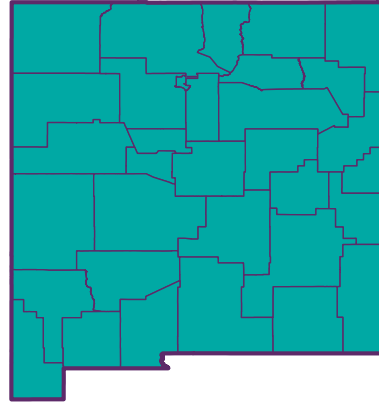


New Mexico is one of the few states that has a Medicaid Adult Dental Benefit.



The Office of Oral Health allocates funding to provide preventative and restorative dental services to New Mexicans who are uninsured.

Office of Oral Health
services are available
in all 33 of NM's counties



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Office of Oral Health Program Services

- Fluoride varnish applications
- Dental sealant applications
- Dental screenings
- Oral health education/ promotion and outreach
- Dental case management



2023-2024 Summary

2,597

services provided to individuals
by Office of Oral Health

1,978

Dental sealants were placed

1,501

fluoride applications
were provided

1,624

interactions were made to
establish dental homes for
New Mexicans

4,036

services were provided by dental
providers contracted by the
Office of Oral Health

Oral Health is **Essential** to Systemic Health

Our Mission

To prevent oral disease and
contribute to a healthier New Mexico.

Our Vision

That by promoting oral health as part
of general health we improve health
outcomes and assure safety net
services for all people of New Mexico.

What We Do

New Mexico Health Office of Oral
Health has been providing school-
based preventive oral care services,
including dental screenings, dental
sealants, fluoride varnish, and oral
health education to school-aged
children since 1978.