

2021 Nebraska Public Health Authorization Dental Services Report

One hundred and sixty-one (161) registered dental hygienists (RDH) were mailed questionnaires regarding usage of the Public Health Authorization (PHA) during 2021. The 161 included RDHs who held a PHA during 2021. Twenty permits lapsed during 2021.

Of the 161 RDHs sent questionnaires, 100 responses were received, reflecting a 62.1% response.

Thirty-one (31) RDHs reported providing services in 2021, indicating that 19.3% of RDHs who held a PHA during 2021 utilized the permit. Services were provided in 72 of the 93 counties in Nebraska.

Services were provided in the following locations (number of RDHs reporting this location type):

- Nursing Facility (2)
- School-Based Preventative Health Program (19)
- Federal, State or Local Public Health Department or Clinic (5)
- Community Health Center (3)
- Tribal Clinic (1)
- Other –
 - Head Start (9)
 - WIC (2)
 - Daycare and/or Preschool (2)
 - Other (3)

No services were reported in the following allowable settings: Assisted Living, Correctional Facility and Hospital.

Provided services are broken down by age range as seen in the tables below.

2021 Preliminary Charting and Screening Breakdown by Age				
Total: 23764				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	5565	15790	1726	683

2021 Oral Health Education to Recipient Breakdown by Age				
Total: 18854				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	3284	13198	1797	575

2021 Oral Health Education to Caregiver Breakdown by Age				
Total: 2898				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	2193	605	0	100

Oral Health Education provided in Group Settings: 191 presentations total.

The total number of workshops provided in 2021 was 154. Age information was not included.

The total number of in-service trainings provided in 2021 was 37. Age information was not included.

2021 Oral Prophylaxis Breakdown by Age				
Total: 3395				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	502	1086	1221	586

2021 Polish Exposed Tooth Surfaces and Restorations Breakdown by Age				
Total: 1723				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	215	634	611	263

2021 Brush Biopsies Breakdown by Age				
Total: 0				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	0	0

2021 Pulp Vitality Testing Breakdown by Age				
Total: 0				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	0	0

2021 Gingival Curettage Breakdown by Age				
Total: 410				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	10	350	50

2021 Removal of Sutures Breakdown by Age				
Total: 4				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	2	2	0

2021 Topical Fluorides Breakdown by Age				
Total: 17004				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	4258	11442	867	437

2021 Dental Sealants Breakdown by Age				
Total: 12041				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	5970	5987	84	0

2021 Other Topical Agents Breakdown by Age				
Total: 2451				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	647	1650	144	10

2021 Impressions for Study Casts Breakdown by Age				
Total: 50				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	25	25

2021 Radiographic Exposures Breakdown by Age				
Total: 3925				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	322	1422	1359	822

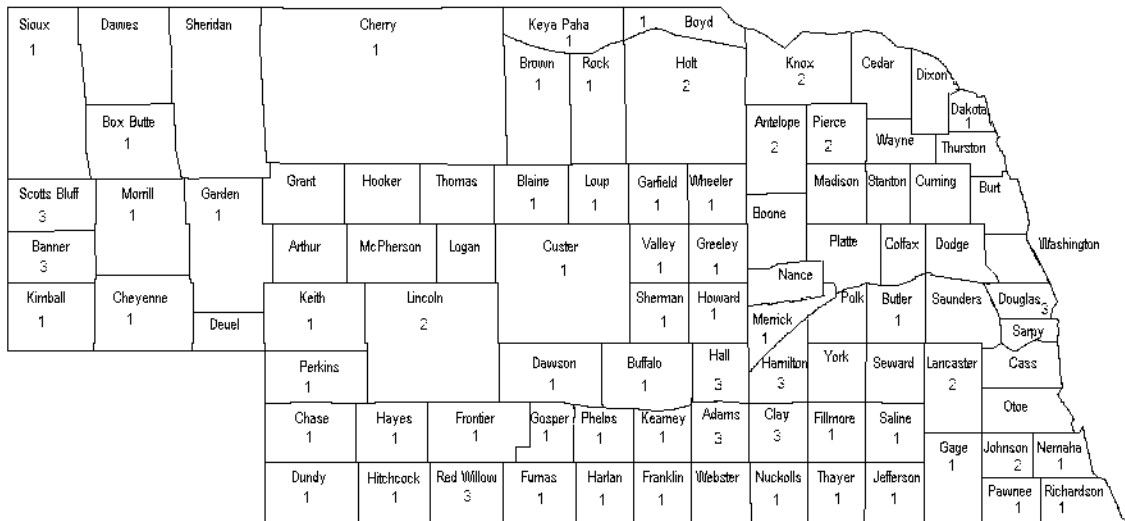
2021 Interim Therapeutic Restoration Breakdown by Age				
Total: 4				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	4	0	0	0

2021 Prescriptions for Mouth Rinses and Fluorite Products Breakdown by Age				
Total: 1				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	1	0	0

2021 Minor Denture Adjustments Breakdown by Age				
Total: 14				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	1	13

2021 Advised Patient - Breakdown by Age				
Total: 23587				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	5498	16324	1168	597

Public Health Authorization



End of Year 2021

Counties supported - 31 Dental Hygienists holding a Public Health Authorization identified using permits in 72 Nebraska counties. This represents 77% of Nebraska counties served by Public Health Hygienists.

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