



IHS Periodontal Treatment Initiative Objectives and Logo Fact Sheet



Objectives

The IHS Periodontal Treatment Initiative aims to raise awareness of, and reduce the prevalence of periodontal disease in American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN). The following objectives will help us accomplish these goals.

1. Reduce the prevalence of severe periodontal disease in AI/ANs (as measured by the percentage of patients with CPI scores of 4) by 10% from 2015 to 2020.
2. Build capacity in periodontal disease education by developing knowledge and skills of trained periodontal educators in each IHS Area by the end of FY 2016.
3. Promote periodontal disease treatment in underserved communities through training at least 3 dental assistants in basic periodontal treatment in at least 10 IHS Areas by the end of FY 2017.
4. Demonstrate the effectiveness of the periodontal EFDA program by measuring increased access to periodontal therapy (as measured by 1110, 1120 and 4910 codes in programs with recently trained perio EFDAs) between 2015 and 2020.
5. Establish national periodontal screening and treatment guides for IHS, Tribal, and Urban programs that will promote treatment of AI/ANs.

About the IHS Periodontal Treatment Initiative Logo

To help identify initiative products, we created the logo below. Any presentations, guides, or other documents related to the IHS Periodontal Treatment Initiative will contain this logo.

The logo consists of a rising sun indicative of this periodontal initiative being the “dawn” of a new organized effort at improving periodontal health of American Indians and Alaska Natives. This is set against a blue background reflecting health care. At the top of the logo is a picture of a tooth showing both health and disease, and in the middle of the logo is our slogan, “Overall health begins with periodontal health,” which emphasizes the link between systemic diseases and oral diseases.



Overall Health begins with Periodontal Health!