

SAN BENITO COUNTY AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL FORM

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MEETING DATE: 02/06/2024

DEPARTMENT: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Yolanda Beltran

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SUBJECT:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Approve proclamation recognizing the month of February 2024 as National Children's Dental Health Month. SBC FILE NUMBER: 156

AGENDA SECTION:

c. Presentations and Recognitions

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

February is dedicated to children's dental health. Known as National Children's Dental Health Month (NCDHM), it serves as a reminder to parents and caregivers about the importance of instilling good oral hygiene habits in their little ones from an early age.

Establishing good oral hygiene practices early can have a significant impact on a child's overall health and well-being. Poor dental health in children can lead to various problems, including tooth decay, gum disease, and even speech development issues. Cavities, also known as tooth decay, are the most common chronic disease for children in San Benito County, California, and the United States. Children who have poor oral health often miss more school and receive lower grades than children who do not have poor oral health.

The good news is that cavities are preventable. Daily brushing and flossing, visiting a dentist twice a year

and getting preventive procedures like fluoride varnish and sealants will all help to prevent decay. We in San Benito want to raise awareness of the important of dental hygiene, especially in our children and want to recognize February 2024 as National Children's Dental Health Month.

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

N/A

CONTRACT NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

N/A

CONTRACT AND RFP HISTORY:

N/A

LAST CONTRACT AMOUNT OR N/A:

N/A

STATE IF THIS IS A NEW CONTRACT/ HOW MANY PAST AMENDED CONTRACTS/ OR N/A:

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 1. Operational Development & Excellence

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 2. Planning And Sustainable Growth

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 3. Technology

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 4. Community Engagement

Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 5. Health & Safe Community

Yes

BUDGETED:

N/A

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT NEEDED:

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

UNFUNDED MANDATE:

N/A

SBC BUDGET LINE ITEM NUMBER:

N/A

CURRENT FY COST:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the proclamation recognizing the month of February 2024 as National Children's Dental Health Month.

BOARD ACTION RESULTS:

Approved proclamation per staff recommendation. (5/0 vote)

ATTACHMENTS: National Children's Dental Health Month