

NH Oral Health 2014

Enhancing the Role of
the Public Health Dental
Hygienist in 2015





NHOHC

New Hampshire Oral Health Coalition

Collaboratively convened in 2002
by DHHS and the Endowment for
Health

- Broad, multidisciplinary group of organizations/individuals
- Explore the oral health status and needs of NH residents
- Develop a plan of action to guide oral health advancement within the state

Mission & Vision

- ***To promote optimal oral health for the people of New Hampshire through access to integrated and comprehensive health services***



NH State Oral Health Plan

- Published *New Hampshire Oral Health Plan: A Framework for Action* in 2003
- Serves as a roadmap for oral health for policy and practice – *time to update.*



Funders

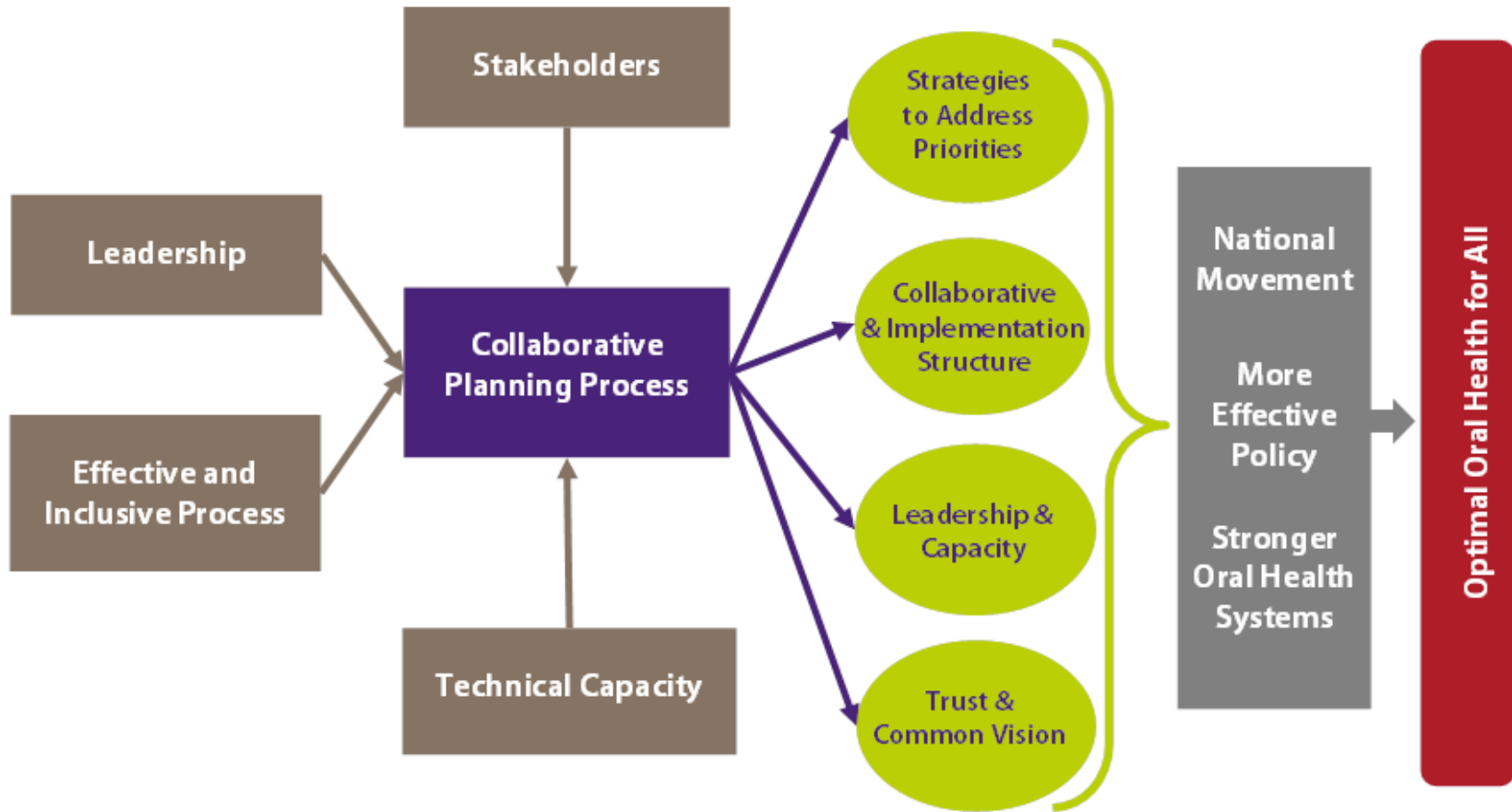
- Endowment for Health (operating/advocacy)
- HNH Foundation (operating)
- DentaQuest Foundation (OH 2014 Initiative)



Oral Health 2014 Guiding Principles

- **Engage a broader constituency** to improve oral health: diversity of opinion leads to better decisions and actions
- **See the whole:** six priority areas (Alliance) link individual grantee efforts to create something bigger
- Implement solutions based on what we know/have already (e.g. grantees focused on medical/dental collaboration partnering with the NIOH and using Smiles for Life tool): **don't reinvent the wheel**
- **Draw from and contribute to this national network:** grantees leverage TA providers and learning from individual efforts for greater impact
- **Engage organizations** that represent the interests of those impacted by grantee activities
- Use processes that **respect the legitimacy** of every party's interests
- Align program with the **Oral Health 2014 theory of change**
- Participate in evaluation: **balance accountability and learning**

Oral Health 2014 Theory of Change



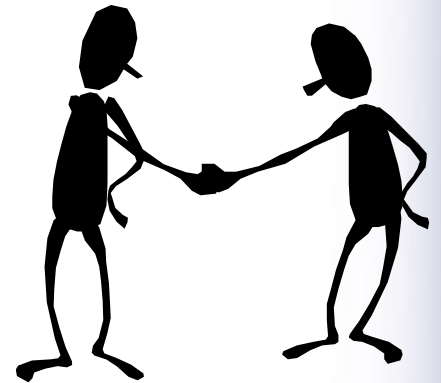
What's Next for Oral Health 2014?



Normative Underpinnings

Values

- Integrity and transparency
- Respectful relationships
- Creativity and innovation
- Comprehensive approaches
- Forward-looking solutions



Core Principles

- Trust-building
- Diverse and effective partnerships
- Shared leadership without expectations of ownership

Normative Underpinnings...

- **Blame Free:** does not matter who is to blame for problem – focus on “how it gets fixed.”
- **Gossip Free** – talk to people in the room, not about them.

Colloquium

- *noun* \kə-'lō-kwē-əm\
 - *plural* **col·lo·qui·ums** or **-quia** \-kwē-ə\
 - **Definition:** a usually academic meeting at which specialists deliver addresses on a topic or on related topics and then answer questions relating to them

- Origin of *COLLOQUIUM*: Latin, colloquy
First Known Use: 1844

Objectives for Today

- Gain an understanding of the activities and process to date of NH Oral Health 2014 planning grant
- Review our stakeholder network
 - Any unusual suspects missing?
- Make recommendations for action items in the implementation grant
- Review and reflect on the state of the NH Public Health Infrastructure.

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