**2023 Nebraska Public Health Authorization Dental Services Report**

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Two hundred and seventeen (217) registered dental hygienists (RDH) were mailed questionnaires regarding usage of the Public Health Authorization (PHA) during 2023. The 217 included RDHs who held a PHA during 2023. Twenty-nine (29) permits lapsed during 2023.

Of the 217 RDHs sent questionnaires, 130 responses were received, reflecting a 60% response.

Fifty-three (53) RDHs reported providing services in 2023, indicating that 24% of RDHs who held a PHA during 2023 utilized the permit. Services were provided in 78 of the 93 counties in Nebraska.

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

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| Nursing Facility (7) | |  | |  |  |
| School-Based Preventative Health Program (35) | | | | |  |
| Federal, State or Local Public Health Department or Clinic (11) | | | | |  |
| Community Health Center (6) | | | |  |  |
| Assisted Living (7)  Tribal Clinic (1) | |  | |  |  |
| Other – | |  | |  |  |
| Head Start (17)  WIC (2)  Preschool (1) |  |  | |  |  |
| Other (3) | |  | |  |  |
| Provided services are broken down by age range as seen in the tables below. | | |

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| **2023 Preliminary Charting and Screening Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 29439** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 5669 | 20529 | 1711 | 1530 |  |
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| **2023 Oral Health Education to Recipient Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 31611** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 6122 | 22035 | 1720 | 1734 |  |
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| **2023 Oral Health Education to Caregiver Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 2632** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 490 | 1246 | 881 | 15 |  |
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| Oral Health Education provided is Group Settings: 315 presentations total. | | | |  |  |
| The total number of workshops provided in 2023 was 280. Age information was not included. | | | | |  |
| The total number of in-service trainings provided in 2023 was 35. Age information was not included. | | | | |  |
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| **2023 Oral Prophylaxis Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 6027** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 824 | 2938 | 1151 | 1114 |  |
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| **2023 Polish Exposed Tooth Surfaces and Restorations Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 1190** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 106 | 746 | 53 | 285 |  |
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| **2023 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 |  |
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| **2023 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 |  |
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| **2023 Gingival Curettage Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 0** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
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| **2023 Removal of Sutures Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 3** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |  |
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| **2023 Topical Fluorides Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 23700** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 5016 | 16267 | 1050 | 1367 |  |
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| **2023 Dental Sealants Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 21706** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 4566 | 17077 | 63 | 0 |  |
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| **2023 Other Topical Agents Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 1133** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 696 | 271 | 42 | 124 |  |
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| **2023 Impressions for Study Casts Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 5** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |  |
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| **2023 Radiographic Exposures Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 3307** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 218 | 1553 | 1199 | 337 |  |
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| **2023 Interim Therapeutic Restoration Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 1346** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 373 | 805 | 135 | 33 |  |
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| **2023 Prescriptions for Mouth Rinses and Fluorite Products Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 5** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 |  |
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| **2023 Minor Denture Adjustments Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 55** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 0 | 0 | 20 | 35 |  |
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| **2023 Advised Patient - Breakdown by Age** | | | | |  |
| **Total: 29030** | | | | |  |
| Age Range | **0 to 5** | **6 to 18** | **19 to 64** | **65+** |  |
| Total Service Provided | 5387 | 21465 | 704 | 1474 |  |
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