

GBHHSPC | June 16th 2015 Presenters Q&A

Addressed to Rodrigue Sumpter, M.A.:

1) Do individuals in counties without OH providers experience difficulty accessing services?

According to the county EMA providers without oral health (OH) services (Anne Arundel, Carroll, Queen Anne, and Harford Counties), RWA clients are not experiencing any difficulties accessing OH services. All of the providers are utilizing referral systems and transportation services to address the RWA clients' OH needs. Carroll County Health Department has an established relationship with a non-RWA dentist that provides limited services. The more invasive procedures are referred. Harford County Health Department has an OH clinic that provides care for adolescents only. However, its adult clients are referred to the UMSOD Perryville Clinic in Cecil County.

2) If more money is allocated to dental services, is there a way to mandate expansion to counties currently not served by existing oral health providers?

Based on the survey, there's no need to expand and current providers serve the counties.