

## Annual Reporting Requirements – Public Health Supervision of Dental Hygienists

Iowa-licensed dental hygienists who have agreements with dentists for public health supervision are required to report on the services provided each year. The Iowa Department of Public Health will provide the reporting format at the end of each calendar year for all hygienists with public health supervision agreements.

The information that will be requested includes:

**1) Hygienist's Name and Email Address**

**2) Supervising Dentist's Name and Email Address**

- 3) **Public Health Setting:** The allowable public health settings within which a hygienist may practice using public health supervision are schools; Head Start programs; programs affiliated with the early childhood Iowa (ECI) initiative authorized by Iowa Code chapter 256I; child care centers (excluding home-based child care centers); federally qualified health centers; public health dental vans; free clinics; nonprofit community health centers; nursing facilities; and federal, state, or local public health programs.
- 4) **Services Provided and Number of Clients:** For each Public Health Setting, the number of services provided must be reported, in addition to the number of children and adults (clients) who received those services. The services included on the annual report include dental sealants; prophylaxes; dental screenings; fluoride varnish application; individual counseling/education; group/classroom education; and other (e.g. x-rays). Children are considered as anyone from birth through age 20. Adults are considered age 21 and older.
- 5) **Referrals to Dentists:** For each Public Health Setting, the number of regular and urgent referrals to dentists must be reported, for children and adults.
- 6) **Date the Report is Shared with Supervising Dentist:** Hygienists are asked to indicate the date that the report of services is shared with his/her supervising dentist.