

1 AN ACT concerning oral health.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Department of Public Health Powers and
5 Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is
6 amended by adding Section 2310-363 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2310/2310-363 new)

8 Sec. 2310-363. Oral Health Program.

9 (a) In consultation with dental care providers and
10 subject to appropriation, the Department must develop and
11 implement ongoing oral cancer educational programs in this
12 State to:

13 (1) Train healthcare providers to screen and
14 properly refer patients with oral cancer.

15 (2) Promote smoking cessation with a primary focus
16 on meeting the needs of high-risk underserved
17 populations.

18 (b) The educational programs developed and implemented
19 under this Section must address the following:

20 (1) the risk factors that lead to oral cancer;

21 (2) the signs and symptoms of oral cancer;

22 (3) the high-risk behaviors that may lead to oral
23 cancer; and

24 (4) the accessibility of screening to detect oral
25 cancer.

26 (c) The Department must also establish a Prevent Oral
27 Cancer Pilot Program. The program must include the
28 following:

29 (1) Appropriate screening, referral, and treatment
30 for high-risk underserved adults for whom dental services
31 are not ordinarily available.

1 (2) An evaluation of the pilot program, including
2 the collection of relevant data.
3 The pilot program may be undertaken in conjunction with other
4 initiatives in this State related to the prevention and
5 detection of cancer.