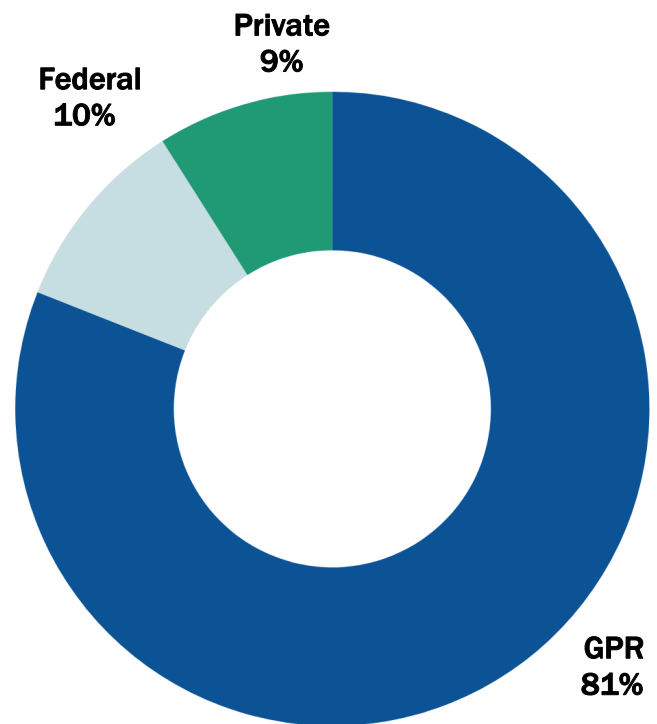


Wisconsin Oral Health Program (OHP) Impact

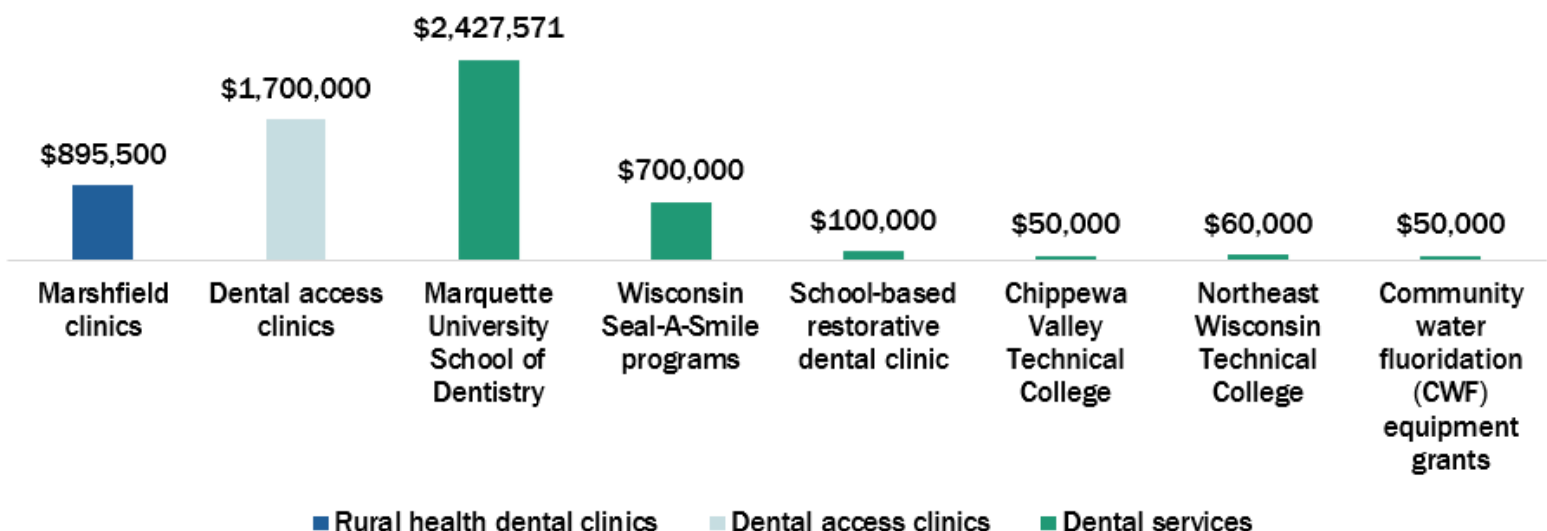
The mission of the Oral Health Program is to protect and promote the oral health of the people of Wisconsin.

OHP funding

The OHP's work is supported by general purpose revenue (GPR), private funding, and federal grants from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).



GPR Funding for Oral Health



Providing Wisconsin with dental care

86,000+

students were
served through Seal-
A-Smile

930+

patients were served
by three rural health
dental clinics

32,300+

patients were served
by 14 dental access
clinics

14,300+

patients were served
by Marquette dental
students

44,900+

people benefited
from fluoridation
grants

2,000+

patients were served
by a technical
college dental clinic

Strengthening the dental workforce

The OHP helps strengthen the dental workforce by providing [Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus enrollment information](#) to dental professionals to encourage participation and increase access to care. The OHP also creates and shares continuing education opportunities for dental professionals to ensure the dental workforce is supported.

Building an oral health pathway program

The OHP has created an oral health pathway program to promote dental careers statewide through [Future Oral Health Workforce Days \(FOHWD\)](#) for high school students to explore dental careers and promoting the [Youth Apprenticeship \(YA\) program](#) to dental providers.

FOHWD 2023–2024:



166 high schoolers
from **56** high schools
participated in FOHWDs
across the state.



50% of participating
high schools in FOHWDs
were located in a Dental
Health Professional
Shortage Area (DHPSA).

Educating on water fluoridation statewide

The OHP develops and shares [educational materials and resources](#), supports communities and water operators by serving as a resource for public health recommendations and questions, as well as provides grant funding for fluoridation equipment.



More than 80% of communities served by public water systems have access to optimally fluoridated water.



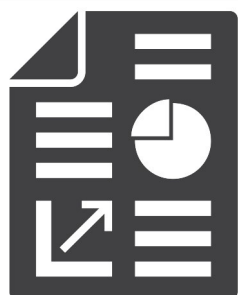
More than 3.5 million Wisconsin residents receive fluoridated water.



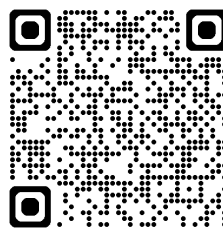
8 Wisconsin communities received water fluoridation equipment grants in 2024.

Tracking and monitoring Wisconsin's oral health

- [Dental professional shortages dashboard](#)
- [Environmental Public Health Tracking: Oral Health dashboard](#)
- [Oral health during pregnancy dashboard](#)
- [Opioid prescribing among dental providers dashboard](#)
- [Wisconsin Healthy Smiles Survey Kindergarten and Third-Grade Children report](#)
- [Wisconsin Seal-A-Smile dashboard](#)



[OHP's surveillance activities](#) provide **timely** and **accurate** data on oral disease burden, prevention and risk behaviors, access, and workforce.



Learn more about the [Wisconsin Oral Health Program](#)!

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