



## STOHN THE SOUTH TEXAS ORAL HEALTH NETWORK

### Highlights

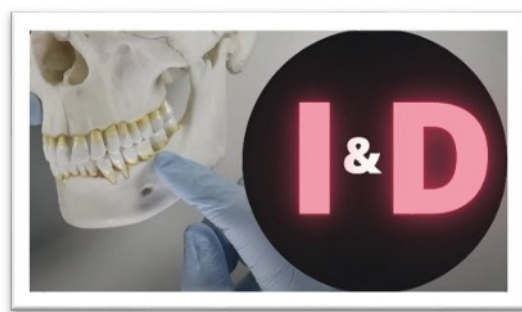
Dr. Rekha Reddy, STOHN member, and our interns Andrea, Monika, Honesty, & Clarisse presented at the 2021 IIMS Community Engagement Virtual Symposium in November 2021. Monika won first place for presenting the poster "Implementation of a Youth & Young Adult E-cigarette Cessation Program within Dental Clinic Setting: A Feasibility Study." Congratulations to all presenters!

Our membership has grown to over 200 members across Texas! We are so excited to continue growing the STOHN PBRN and look forward to the many collaborations the future will bring.

We had over 15 undergraduate students interested in participating in our internship program for the Spring semester! Want to learn more about this program? Go to <https://iims.uthscsa.edu/student-internship-program>

### Welcome!

We want to welcome our Spring interns, Kayla and Jackie. Both are seniors from UTSA who plan to pursue dental school. We look forward to seeing how they excel during this semester.



### Study Updates

Dr. Rahma Mungia and Dr. Sowmya Renuka of the UT Health San Antonio South Texas Oral Health Network are conducting a research survey (HSC20210840EX) to assess knowledge, attitudes, and practices of **clinically active general dentists** in effectively managing acute abscess conditions using incision and drainage procedures and are asking for your participation.

If you'd like to complete this survey, go to <https://redcap.uthscsa.edu/REDCap/surveys/?s=JPYJ8379XJPWELWW>. You can save and complete the survey at a later time if you are not able to do so in one sitting. It should take no more than 10-15 minutes.

Interested in submitting a study proposal to the STOHN PBRN? Go to <https://iims.uthscsa.edu/STOHN/stohn-study-proposals%23> and complete the study concept template.

### New Quick-Poll: Smokeless Tobacco

*Smokeless tobacco is a nicotine-containing substance that is very addictive and can cause serious oral health effects such as pre-cancerous lesions, gum disease, caries, and oral cancer. Smokeless tobacco is under-studied when compared to all other tobacco products. San Antonio has a multicultural population and would benefit from a study to understand the attitudes and behaviors of dental practitioners regarding smokeless tobacco cessation. Dental professionals, as primary healthcare providers are uniquely positioned to advocate for the cessation of smokeless tobacco products. The dental office would be an excellent place to introduce cessation practice and be able to track improvements in patients' oral health. Dental practitioners are being asked to participate in a quick poll to assess smokeless tobacco prevalence in their patient's population, if and how they educate the patients regarding smokeless tobacco.*

You can complete this 5-question poll using the link here: <https://redcap.uthscsa.edu/REDCap/surveys/?s=XHELX4NYT4XPJRY>

### FREE CE COURSES

#### A Non-Aerosol Caries Treatment Option: Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF)

- CE Credits: 1.5 Hours
- Intended Audience: Dentists, Dental Hygienists, Dental Assistants, Office Managers, Dental Students, Dental Hygiene Students, Dental Assistant Students

Course link: <https://www.dentalcare.com/en-us/professional-education/ce-courses/ce633>

#### Achieving Patient-centered Care through Interprofessional Collaborative Practice

- CE Credits: 1 Hour
- Intended Audience: Dentists, Dental Hygienists, Dental Assistants, Dental Students, Dental Hygiene Students, Dental Assistant Students

Course Link: <https://www.dentalcare.com/en-us/professional-education/ce-courses/ce471>

#### Dental Management of the Medically-Complex Patient

- CE Credits: 1 Hour
- Intended Audience: Dentists

Course Link: <https://www.colgateoralhealthnetwork.com/webinar/dental-management-of-the-medically-complex-patient/>

### Upcoming Events

Our STOHN Advisory Board will be meeting soon and look forward to discussing upcoming STOHN events.

Be on the lookout for upcoming UTHSA Dental Education Network for Texas ECHO sessions:  
Session Recordings linked here: <https://wp.uthscsa.edu/echo/dent/>

### Recruitment

For current updates, be sure to check out our website at <https://iims.uthscsa.edu/STOHN/home> or contact Network Coordinator Marissa Mexquitic at [Mexquitic@uthscsa.edu](mailto:Mexquitic@uthscsa.edu).

If you are interested in joining STOHN and becoming more involved with local, practice-based research, click the link above or scan the QR code!



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