

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, the
10 Department must develop and implement ongoing oral cancer
11 educational programs in this State to:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

31 (2) An evaluation of the pilot program, including

1 the collection of relevant data.

2 The pilot program may be undertaken in conjunction with other

3 initiatives in this State related to the prevention and

4 detection of cancer.