

## 2023 Nebraska Public Health Authorization Dental Services Report

Two hundred and seventeen (217) registered dental hygienists (RDH) were mailed questionnaires regarding usage of the Public Health Authorization (PHA) during 2023. The 217 included RDHs who held a PHA during 2023. Twenty-nine (29) permits lapsed during 2023.

Of the 217 RDHs sent questionnaires, 130 responses were received, reflecting a 60% response.

Fifty-three (53) RDHs reported providing services in 2023, indicating that 24% of RDHs who held a PHA during 2023 utilized the permit. Services were provided in 78 of the 93 counties in Nebraska.

Services were provided in the following locations (number of RDHs reporting this location type):

- Nursing Facility (7)
- School-Based Preventative Health Program (35)
- Federal, State or Local Public Health Department or Clinic (11)
- Community Health Center (6)
- Assisted Living (7)
- Tribal Clinic (1)
- Other –
  - Head Start (17)
  - WIC (2)
  - Preschool (1)
  - Other (3)

Provided services are broken down by age range as seen in the tables below.

2023 Preliminary Charting and Screening Breakdown by Age				
Total: 29439				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	5669	20529	1711	1530

2023 Oral Health Education to Recipient Breakdown by Age				
Total: 31611				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	6122	22035	1720	1734

2023 Oral Health Education to Caregiver Breakdown by Age				
Total: 2632				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	490	1246	881	15

Oral Health Education provided is Group Settings: 315 presentations total.

The total number of workshops provided in 2023 was 280. Age information was not included.

The total number of in-service trainings provided in 2023 was 35. Age information was not included.

2023 Oral Prophylaxis Breakdown by Age				
Total: 6027				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	824	2938	1151	1114

2023 Polish Exposed Tooth Surfaces and Restorations Breakdown by Age				
Total: 1190				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	106	746	53	285

2023 Brush Biopsies Breakdown by Age				
Total: 0				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	0	0

2023 Pulp Vitality Testing Breakdown by Age				
Total: 0				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	0	0

2023 Gingival Curettage Breakdown by Age				
Total: 0				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	0	0

2023 Removal of Sutures Breakdown by Age				
Total: 3				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	3	0

2023 Topical Fluorides Breakdown by Age				
Total: 23700				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	5016	16267	1050	1367

2023 Dental Sealants Breakdown by Age				
Total: 21706				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	4566	17077	63	0

2023 Other Topical Agents Breakdown by Age				
Total: 1133				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	696	271	42	124

2023 Impressions for Study Casts Breakdown by Age				
Total: 5				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	0	5

2023 Radiographic Exposures Breakdown by Age				
Total: 3307				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	218	1553	1199	337

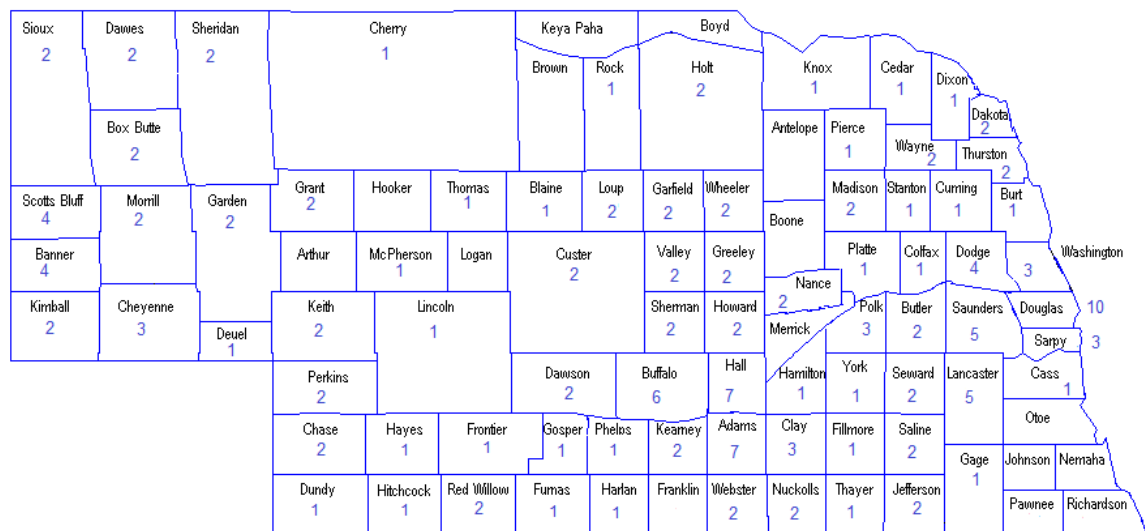
2023 Interim Therapeutic Restoration Breakdown by Age				
Total: 1346				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	373	805	135	33

2023 Prescriptions for Mouth Rinses and Fluorite Products Breakdown by Age				
Total: 5				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	3	2	0

2023 Minor Denture Adjustments Breakdown by Age				
Total: 55				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	0	0	20	35

2023 Advised Patient - Breakdown by Age				
Total: 29030				
Age Range	0 to 5	6 to 18	19 to 64	65+
Total Service Provided	5387	21465	704	1474

## Public Health Authorization



### End of Year 2023

Counties supported – 53 Dental Hygienists holding a Public Health Authorization identified using the permits in 78 Nebraska counties  
This represents 84% of Nebraska counties served by Public Health Hygienists

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