

**2010 Lone Star Dental Conference**

**Saturday, September 11**

**9:00am – 11:00am**

**First Dental Home Training for Dentist**

**Presented by Dr. Linda Altenhoff**

What is the First Dental Home initiative?

- Legislatively supported dental initiative aimed at improving the oral health of children 6-35 months of age.
- Provide simple, consistent messages to parents/caregivers of very young children.
- Materials were collaboratively developed by pediatric and general dentists.
- Link to [Materials](#)

Who is being trained to provide a First Dental Home?

- Currently enrolled Texas Health Steps pediatric and general dentists.
- Dentists who have submitted a Texas Health Steps dental provider enrollment application.
- Link to [Training](#)

What is included in a First Dental Home visit?

- Caries risk assessment.
- Dental prophylaxis.
- Oral hygiene instructions with primary caregiver.
- Application of topical fluoride varnish.
- Dental anticipatory guidance.
- Establishment of recall schedule.

How is this service billed to Texas Medicaid?

Upon completion of the training, dental providers are eligible to bill D0145 and receive enhanced reimbursement. Though the dentist must attend training, we encourage other dental team members to attend in order to better understand this initiative.



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