

# MORE Care in Ohio

## Medical Oral Expanded Care



## Significant tooth decay in very young children is still a costly and painful problem in Ohio

In Ohio, gains have been made in oral health, but significant tooth decay in very young children persists — leading to chronic pain, sleep and eating disorders, ineffective use of hospital emergency departments, and ultimately, large expenditures by government and private payors for hospital-based care of these children.



Oral Health Ohio and CareQuest Institute for Oral Health are partnering to improve the oral health of children and reduce costly, invasive dental procedures by advancing value-based care and integrating care between dental and medical providers.

## MORE Care — a care improvement program that integrates oral health into primary care

Developed by CareQuest Institute, [MORE Care™](#) provides a framework, tools, and guidance for medical providers to integrate oral health competencies and capabilities into their primary care practice and improve oral health within their community.

Dental and primary care providers work together on shared goals and comprehensive care for their patients. Participating providers receive financial rewards — performance incentives based on shared goals — allowing simulation of a value-based care model.



### About Oral Health Ohio

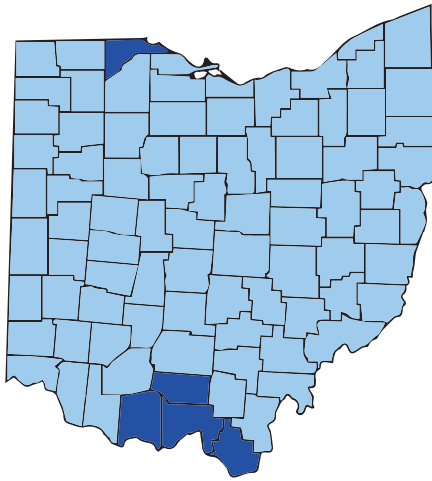
[Oral Health Ohio \(OHO\)](#) is a statewide coalition of partners who advocate and educate to improve the oral and overall health of Ohioans across the lifespan.

### About CareQuest Institute for Oral Health

[CareQuest Institute](#) is a national nonprofit championing a more equitable future where every person can reach their full potential through excellent health.

## 5 Counties 15,000 Children

Ohio is leading a groundbreaking pilot to promote value-based care and medical-dental integration. Seven physicians and dentists across five counties are partnering to provide whole-person health care to more than 15,000 children.



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## Expanding Access in Ohio Through Medical-Dental Integration

In Lucas County, Kehinde Obeto, MD and Taiwo Ngo, DDS are working together to provide whole-person care for children who need care but don't have a dental home.

The two providers have a very close relationship — they are twin sisters from Nigeria who both provide care to underserved populations in Ohio.



*“MORE Care looks at the whole picture and doesn't just break it up into slices,” Ngo says. “So now both the dental and the primary care providers approach the diagnosis and treatment of the patients together — a more integrated approach.”*

**Read more about Drs. Obeto and Ngo  
at [carequest.org](https://carequest.org)**

