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Every health center will utilize this document differently. You may start with only those oral health measures required by HRSA or you may have robust measure-tracking processes, but are looking for a way to share data in more meaningful ways. Whatever the starting point, we hope you use the Health Center Dental Dashboard and User’s Guide in ways that make the most sense for your health center.

Tracking outcome measures can combine feasibility with vision and comparable standards with individually-tailored measures. You can meet national recommendations while still having real-life usability. Start small, collect the data and share widely. Over time, make course corrections and add measures as needed.

The most important goal for quality improvement processes is to move forward – to ensure patients receive the best possible care, and for your health center to be sustainable. Focus your efforts on oral health tracking, promotion and continuous improvement.
## Appendix A - National Oral Health Measures

### National Oral Health Measures and Links

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Appendix B - Manual Data Collection

If a health center is unable to obtain data for their complete patient population via electronic health records, they may collect data using a manual sample of paper charts. Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) has guidance for conducting manual reviews using a sample of 70 charts.

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