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A CHILD'S EXPERIENCE IN 2006 BEFORE CHANGES TO MEDICAID



LACK OF EARLY
ROUTINE CARE = CAVITIES
AND PAIN DEVELOP



SMALL NETWORK OF PROVIDERS ACCEPTING HUSKY = LONG WAIT TIME FOR APPOINTMENT



LIVING WITH TOOTH PAIN INTERFERES WITH SCHOOL, EATING, PLAYING SPORTS



ONCE CARE IS ACCESSED, DECAYED TOOTH MUST BE EXTRACTED

A CHILD'S EXPERIENCE IN 2012 AFTER CHANGES TO MEDICAID



CHILD'S PARENTS ESTABLISH DENTAL HOME AT AGE 1



LARGE PROVIDER
NETWORK
ACCEPTING HUSKY
FACILITATES ACCESS



REGULAR ROUTINE EXAMS AND PREVENTIVE CARE



SEALANT APPLIED
DURING ROUTINE VISIT
TO PREVENT TOOTH
DECAY



HEALTHY TEETH =
FREE FROM CAVITIES
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