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Caries Management with Fluoride Varnish of Children in U.S.

Dental decay is the most common chronic childhood disease-5 times more common than asthma and 7 times more common than hay fever. For caries prevention in very young children, fluoride varnish has a caries reduction rate that ranges from 30% to 63%.





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Offered in patented single-use delivery system.

he ADA considers fluoride varnish to be safe and efficacious as part of a caries prevention program that includes caries diagnosis, risk assessment, and regular dental care. New research has shown that as little as one fluoride varnish treatment a year can cut cavity rates in half for children ranging in age from 6 months to 3-1/2 years old.

"Traditionally we only provided fluoride treatments to children in the caries active stage, but the face of caries has changed. Caries in adults, seniors especially, is on the rise," said hygienist Donna Brogan. "Risk factors such as prescription drug use, poor biofilm removal, multi-surface restorations, or active caries in the last 24 months put them at a higher risk for developing caries."

Approved by the FDA for treatment of dentinal sensitivity, Cen-



trix's FluoroDose is a colophony 5% sodium fluoride, white cavity varnish in a patented single-use delivery system. The unit-dose delivery system enables mixing before varnish application, producing a consistent level of fluoride in every application.

One of the biggest complaints Brogan has heard from patients and dental professionals alike is

that fluoride varnish is clumpy, fuzzy, sticky, and just not well received by patients. Brogan says that if you still think that, you really need to try FluoroDose.

"It goes on very easily without clumping on the brush or in the mouth. It is thin on the teeth and doesn't stick to soft tissue. Fluoro-Dose is much better received by all ages than varnishes that came before it," said Brogan.

She's heard from many dental professionals that they prefer the patient experience with Fluoro-Dose, and are thus providing more patients with preventive varnish treatments. This increases production in the hygiene rooms, while also increasing the practice's bottom line by providing excellent ROI.

"FluoroDose is also the least expensive unit-dose varnish on the market. How often is the least expensive the best?" she added.

HFRF ARF 4 REASONS WHY DONNA BROGAN USFS FLUORODOSE IN HER PRACTICE.

- Smooth, not stringy or clumpy so it won't clog vacuum lines
- Stavs clear so there is no tooth discoloration
- Dries in seconds upon contact with saliva
- Remains on tooth for 6 to 8 hours for optimum fluoride uptake

