Access to Dental Care Among Residents in Missouri

Results from the 2017 Kansas and Missouri Consumer Health Access Survey (KMHS)

37% of adults and 17% of children in Missouri currently lack dental insurance coverage.

These estimates represent:
- 1,377,100 adults ages 19-64
- 218,700 children ages 2-18

66% of adults ages 19-64 reported one of three dental access barriers in the past year:

- No dental insurance
- No dental visit
- Unmet dental need

35% of children ages 2-18 reported a dental access barrier in the past year.

90% of adults ages 19-64 with no insurance for medical care...also have no dental insurance.

Dental access barriers were common across all racial/ethnic groups but were highest among Hispanic adults.

The KMHS Survey Results Report is available at https://reachhealth.org/kmhs-finalreport/

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