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\$834 for pediatric fluoride varnish kits

Overview of Organization

Holy Cross Health is a Catholic, not-for-profit health system that serves more than 220,000 individuals each year from Maryland's two largest counties — Montgomery and Prince George's counties. Our community is vibrant, active and diverse, where life is always moving. Holy Cross Health is continuously advancing, too, as a forward-thinking health system committed to helping our community members address their individual needs and goals to achieve a better quality of life. From hospitals and primary care sites, to specialty care and wellness programs, Holy Cross Health is accessible throughout the region to meet individuals on their path to good health.

Description of Funding Request

The Holy Cross Health Center in Germantown, Maryland, opened in 2015 and serves children and adults who are uninsured or enrolled in Medicaid. Services are provided by a team of medical experts including physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and registered nurses. Funding is respectfully requested for fluoride varnish kits for the pediatric patients at the Holy Cross Health Center in Germantown. Dental caries (cavities) continues to be the most chronic disease of childhood. It is a silent disease that disproportionally affects poor, young and minority populations.

• 42% of children 2 to 11 have had dental caries in their primary teeth. Black and Hispanic children and those living in families with lower incomes have more decay(www.nicdr.nih.gov)

Providing pediatric patients with fluoride varnish treatments at well baby and well child checkups would be one opportunity of prevention of development and progression of dental caries and impart the importance of oral health in overall health and wellbeing.

Budget

Fluoride Varnish Kits (#)	Cost per kit	Application(s) per patient over a year	Total number of patients	Total cost
21 (each kit with	\$ 40.1	3	200 (6 months	\$ 2,526.3
32 applications)			to 1 year of age)	

Each box contains 32 applications. We currently have 200 unique patients six months to one year of age.