Tri-County Head Start/Early Head Start

Consent to Brush Teeth

The Tri-County Head Start/EHS Program, in cooperation with our Health Advisory Committee, has instituted the program of brushing teeth once a day at Head Start/EHS.

Each child will be provided a toothbrush by the center staff. The toothbrushes will be in a covered holder and changed every two months and/or after an illness.

The children will be called to the brushing sink two at a time. A staff member will apply a smear of fluoride toothpaste in a one-ounce cup and supervise or assist each child while brushing.

Infants under age 1 will have mouth swabbed out with gauze. Ages 1 up to age 3 will brush with non-fluoride toothpaste.

We ask parents to please brush with the children before bedtime to encourage a good oral hygiene routine.

□ I want my child to participate in tooth brushing.

□ I do <u>not</u> want my child to participate in tooth brushing.

Comments:

Child's Name

Parent Signature

Date

Staff Name

Date