

COrHT GLOSSARY OF TERMINOLOGY

Term	Definition	Plain Language	Reference
Oral Health	A fundamental component of health, physical and mental well-being, oral health is multi-faceted and includes the ability to speak, smile, smell, taste, touch, chew, swallow and convey a range of emotions through facial expressions with confidence and without pain, discomfort and disease of the craniofacial complex.	Oral health is a key indicator of overall health, well-being and quality of life. Oral health can include but often extends beyond conditions of disease.	FDI World Dental Federation https://www.fdiworld-dental.org/oral-health/fdi-definition-of-oral-health
Dentistry	Dentistry is defined as the evaluation, diagnosis, prevention and/or treatment (nonsurgical, surgical or related procedures) of diseases, disorders and/or conditions of the oral cavity, maxillofacial area and/or the adjacent and associated structures and their impact on the human body; provided by a dentist, within the scope of their education, training and experience, in accordance with the ethics of the profession and applicable law.	The evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of conditions in the oral cavity.	American Dental Association https://www.ada.org/en/education-careers/careers-in-dentistry/general-dentistry
Preventistry	Prioritizes preventive care, focuses on value over volume and uses technology to increase access and transform health care systems leveraging four components: care, value, innovation, and transformation.	Dental care that prioritizes prevention and whole-person health.	DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://dentaquest.com/oral-health-resources/preventistry/
Disease Management	The concept of reducing health care costs and improving quality of life for individuals with chronic conditions by preventing or minimizing the effects of the disease through integrated care. Disease management includes a system of coordinated health care interventions and communications for defined patient populations with conditions where self-care efforts can be implemented.	Minimizing and managing disease processes using integrated care that empowers patients to stay healthy.	Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy https://www.amcp.org/about/managed-care-pharmacy-101/concepts-managed-care-pharmacy/disease-management
Population Health	The health outcomes of a group of individuals, including the distribution of such outcomes within the group. Population health includes health outcomes, patterns of health determinants, and policies and interventions that link these two.	The health outcomes of a group of individuals, including the distribution of such outcomes within the group.	<u>American Journal of Public Health</u> https://ajph.aphapublications.org/doi/full/10.2105/AJPH.93.3.380
Population Health Management	A systematic process of utilizing data on patient populations to target interventions for better health outcomes at lower cost, with a better care experience.	Systems targeting interventions for the best outcomes within a population.	National Association of Community Health Centers http://www.nachc.org/wp-

			content/uploads/2019/11/NACHC-VTF-Pop-Health_Models-of-Care-AG_November-2019.pdf
Risk Stratified Care Management	The process of assigning a risk status to a patient, then using this information to direct care improve overall health outcomes. It is the first step toward planning, developing and implementing a personalized care plan.	Using a system of health-associated risk to determine the best oral health care delivery.	National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) https://www.nachc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/NACHC-VTF-Pop-Health_Risk-Strat-AG_November-2019.pdf
Minimally Invasive Care	Respecting the health, function, and aesthetics of all oral tissues by preventing disease from occurring or by intercepting its progress with minimal tissue loss.	Care that prevents, slows, or reverses disease at the least invasive level.	World Congress of Minimally Invasive Dentistry via https://www.dentistryiq.com/dental-hygiene/clinical-hygiene/article/16357209/minimally-invasive-dentistry-and-remineralizing-agents
Tele-Prevention	A whole-person approach to Preventistry that leverages technology to triage care, mitigate disease processes, manage health care, and provide dental treatment using teledentistry.	Using technology to implement preventive oral health care.	The DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://www.dentaquestpartnership.org/system/files/DQP_A_Three_Domain_Framework.pdf
Personalized Care	An overarching framework for care that unifies predictive technologies with an engaged patient to coordinate care, with the primary aim of promoting health and preventing disease.	Giving the right care, to the right patient, at the right time.	The DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://www.dentaquestpartnership.org/system/files/DQP_A_Three_Domain_Framework.pdf
Predictive Care	Using individual testing results, diagnostic processes, and whole-person health data with technology and analytics to anticipate the most effective, targeted interventions in person-centered care.	Using the best information to target treatment.	DentaQuest Partnership working definition
Social Influencers on Health	Probabilistic conditions in which people are born, grow, work, live, and age, and the wider set of forces and systems shaping the conditions of daily life, including economic policies and systems, development agendas,	Conditions that influence health outcomes on the individual, community, and system level.	KP Washington Health Research Institute Adapted from the WHO definition https://medium.com/@KPWaResearch/w-hats-wrong-with-the-

	social norms, social policies, and political systems.		term-social-determinants-of-health-8e69684ec442
Health Equity	Everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be as healthy as possible by removing obstacles to health such as poverty, discrimination, and their consequences, including powerlessness and lack of access to good jobs with fair pay, quality education and housing, safe environments, and health care	Everyone is given fair opportunities to be as healthy as possible.	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/research/2017/05/what-is-health-equity-.html
Health Disparities	A particular type of health difference that is closely linked with social, economic, and/or environmental disadvantage. Health disparities adversely affect groups of people who have systematically experienced greater obstacles to health based on their racial or ethnic group; religion; socioeconomic status; gender; age; mental health; cognitive, sensory, or physical disability; sexual orientation or gender identity; geographic location; or other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion.	Differences in health outcomes driven by systemic advance or disadvantage.	Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/about/foundation-health-measures/Disparities
Social Risk Factors	The adverse social conditions associated with poor health, such as food insecurity and housing instability.	Negative social influencers on health.	Health Affairs https://www.healthaffairs.org/do/10.1377/hblog20191025.776011/full
Social Needs	An acute individual deficiency related to a social influencer that can be addressed immediately but ultimately does not address the underlying cause. (For example: providing a person a meal but not changing food insecurity status).	An acute social insufficiency.	Health Affairs https://www.healthaffairs.org/do/10.1377/hblog20191025.776011/full/
Value-Based Care	A person/patient centered approach to health care delivery designed to improve health outcomes and lower the cost of care.	Care focused on the best outcomes at the lowest cost.	The DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://www.dentaquestpartnership.org/about/keys-to-success/value-based-care
Alternative Payment Models (APMs)	A payment approach that gives added incentive payments to provide high-quality and cost-efficient care. APMs can apply to a specific clinical condition, a care episode, or a population.	Paying providers based on health outcomes instead of procedures.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services https://qpp.cms.gov/apms/overview#:~:text=An%20Alternative%20Payment%20Model%20(APM,car%20episode%2C%20or%20a%20population

<p>Interprofessional Practice</p>	<p>Interprofessional care delivery, which incorporates both the coordination and integration of care, includes a group of individuals from different health care disciplines working and communicating with each other to enhance and support person-centered care</p>	<p>Care delivery collaboration among diverse health providers.</p>	<p>The DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://www.dentaquestpartnership.org/sites/default/files/Initiating_Rural_IPOHNs_Closing_the_Gap_6.5.19-v2.pdf</p>
<p>Interoperability</p>	<p>The ability of different information technology systems and software applications to communicate, exchange data, and use the information that has been exchanged.</p>	<p>The capability of electronic health systems to connect.</p>	<p>Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society https://www.himss.org/previous-himss-interoperability-definitions</p>
<p>Clinic Teams</p>	<p>A group of individuals with specific goals and skill sets that collaborate to provide care in line with the Domains Framework (i.e. dentist, dental hygienist, dental assistant, front office staff, care coordinator, executive leadership, other health care providers).</p>	<p>Operational teams implemented within clinics.</p>	<p>DentaQuest Partnership working definition</p>
<p>Operational Excellence</p>	<p>Operational Excellence is a culture focused on systems design, influence, and change that utilizes various approaches to promote, support, measure, and reward continually improving care.</p>	<p>A culture and mindset focused on continuous improvement.</p>	<p>DentaQuest Partnership working definition</p>
<p>Self-Management</p>	<p>The personal and medical care performed by the patient, usually in collaboration with and after instruction by a health care professional that focuses on disease prevention or decreasing ongoing impact from disease.</p>	<p>When patients implement self-care based on health guidance.</p>	<p>The DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://www.dentaquestpartnership.org/sites/default/files/interprofessionalnetworkreferralprocess.pdf</p>
<p>Case Management</p>	<p>A collaborative process of assessment, planning, facilitation, care coordination, evaluation, and advocacy for options and services to meet an individual's and family's comprehensive health needs through communication and available resources to promote quality, cost-effective outcomes.</p>	<p>Implementing continued guidance and support to facilitate the best health outcomes.</p>	<p>The DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://www.dentaquestpartnership.org/sites/default/files/interprofessionalnetworkreferralprocess.pdf</p>
<p>Interprofessional Oral Health Networks (IPOHNs)</p>	<p>A system of interdisciplinary care teams providing patient centered oral care that provides the integration and coordination for patient and community.</p>	<p>Diverse oral health care that includes the patient, providers, and community.</p>	<p>The DentaQuest Partnership for Oral Health Advancement https://www.dentaquestpartnership.org/sites/default/files/Initiating_Rural_IPOHNs_Closing_the_Gap_6.5.19-v2.pdf</p>