Access Partnership



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Access Partnership

- A community collaboration comprised of individuals and organizations dedicated to improving access to care
- Focused on strengthening existing programs & implementing new services for identified gaps
- Priorities: Access to Primary, Specialty and Oral Health Care
- Current membership includes over 800 individuals representing more than 300 organizations



Oral Health Care is Broader than Dental Care and A Healthy Mouth is More than Just Healthy Teeth...



The Mouth is a Mirror of Health & Disease Occurring in the Rest of the Body...

Oral Health in America:

A Report of the Surgeon General

Need for Dental Access

- Data from the 2004 Hampton Roads Community
 Health Assessment identified basic dental services as a
 critical need in the community
- Data from 2012 Sentara Obici Hospital Community Health Assessment demonstrated top service gaps as behavioral health and oral health

 Access Partnership 2013 Stakeholder Survey established access to dental care as a top priority for the next 3 years





Improving Access to Oral Health Care



Dental Safety Net

• Those providers that organize and deliver a significant level of health care and other related services to the uninsured, Medicaid, and other vulnerable patients.

Source: Institute of Medicine and Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

- Free & Charitable Clinics and Federally Qualified Community Health Centers (FQHCs) are cornerstones of the safety net in many parts of Virginia.
- Access Partnership compiled a listing of Dental Safety Net providers and posts on our website at www.accesspartnership.org



Dental Access Line



- 757-853-8500 Ext. 127
- Calls returned daily to assist individuals find dental resources in Hampton Roads
- Referred to dental safety net sites, private practices, programs, upcoming outreaches (MOM, DAD, Homeless Connect, Dental Screenings, etc.)
- Nearly 800 calls received YTD



Donated Dental Services

- Nationwide Program
- Hampton Roads is first to manage program at the community level



- Eligibility Elderly, Disabled (SSI) or with medical condition that requires dental care to be addressed (transplants, cancer) & household income below 150% FPG.
- Private dentists donate services at their discretion.



Dental Screenings

 Provides assessment to facilitate appropriate referrals and treatment

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ODU Dental Voucher Program

- Individuals without dental insurance can receive dental cleaning at ODU School of Hygiene for \$15
- Program coordinated by Access Partnership



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Dental Access Days (DAD)



7 Outreaches Held since 2007 in Chesapeake, Suffolk and Virginia Beach



Dental Access Days

Services provided:

cleanings, debridement, varnish

restorations
extractions
partials (flippers)

100 to 125 served at each event (~\$1,000 per person)





Connecting the Safety Net

www.accesspartnership.org

- Listing of Dental Clinics
 - Free Clinics, Community Health Centers, Health Departments, Private Practices
 - Eligibility, cost, services, telephone numbers

853-8500 extension 127

Dental Access Line



Linking Resources

- Weekly Newsflashes
- Monthly Newsblasts
 - 900+ on listserv representing >300 agencies

What a nice service you are providing for these organizations and the people they serve.

Kay Cherry EVMS MPH Program



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