



**Dental Lifeline**  
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## DENTAL LIFELINE NETWORK KANSAS



Therese, 55, lives with her daughter and son-in-law in Garden City. She has rheumatoid arthritis, fibromyalgia and migraines and was born with a cleft palate. Therese occasionally had been seen by Dr. Michael Harris, a general dentist, but she could not afford treatment. Since 1998, Dr. Harris has served as a volunteer for the Donated Dental Services (DDS) program and is a Dental Lifeline Network • Kansas board member. Knowing that Therese suffered from painful decay and misaligned teeth, Dr. Harris' staff recommended that she apply for treatment through DDS. After Therese was accepted, Dr. Harris donated a full upper denture and lower partial with help from a dental laboratory. Now, after treatment, Therese can chew her food and her speech has improved. She no longer is embarrassed to laugh or smile.



Therese with Dr. Michael Harris

**“I am really, really happy with the outcome. It has 100% positively affected my life. I can eat better. I had a lisp before and now I don’t. I love that I can smile and not have to cover my mouth. I owe it all to Dr. Harris and DDS.”** – Therese, DDS patient

**“Therese had bad upper teeth and a cleft palate and was in need of new teeth. DDS is my favorite way to give back to the community in terms of donating treatment. It’s nice to be able to help local people. DDS identifies the patient and the need and help with the lab work. They make it easy to work with patients. It’s trouble-free. I’m a fan!”**  
– Dr. Michael Harris, DDS volunteer



### PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

Change a Life with Donated Dental Services (DDS)

Contact Coordinator Cayla Lloyd at 785.273.1900 or  
clloyd@DentalLifeline.org.

**2016 marks the 20th year of Kansas Donated Dental Services (DDS). During this year, Kansas DDS will achieve a milestone of more than \$10 million in donated services to vulnerable people by volunteer dentists and laboratories.**



## Volunteer Today

### Try one case:

- Review the patient profile in advance
- Choose to see or decline any patient
- Determine the treatment plan
- See patients in your office
- Never pay lab costs
- No paperwork for office staff

### DDS will:

- Ensure that patients arrive on time
- Be the liaison between your staff and the patient to facilitate everything
- Arrange for assistance from specialists and laboratories

## A great staff experience

“Helping DDS patients with their oral health and smiles is rewarding, not only for the patient but, for the entire dental team. We are honored to be part of it.” – Dr. Melodie Jones



**You treat the patient.  
DDS does everything else.**

To ask questions or to volunteer, contact Coordinator Cayla Lloyd at 785.273.1900 or [clloyd@DentalLifeline.org](mailto:clloyd@DentalLifeline.org).

**DDS IS A PROGRAM OF THE KANSAS DENTAL ASSOCIATION  
AND DENTAL LIFELINE NETWORK • KANSAS**



**KANSAS DONATED DENTAL SERVICES (DDS)**

**Fiscal Year 2014-2015**

PATIENT TREATMENT

Number of Patients Treated <sup>1</sup> .....	225
Number of Patients on Wait List .....	142
Number of Volunteer Dentists .....	346
Number of Volunteer Labs .....	79

FINANCIAL

Value of Care to Patients Treated <sup>1</sup> .....	\$676,588
Average Value of Treatment/Case <sup>2</sup> .....	\$3,280
Value of Donated Lab Services <sup>3</sup> .....	\$51,617

SINCE KANSAS PROGRAM INCEPTION (1996)

Total Patients Treated .....	3,134
Total Value of Care to Patients Treated .....	\$9,533,340

<sup>1</sup> Of this amount, 32 patients received \$43,515 in ongoing care from DDS volunteer dentists who provided these patients with initial restorative treatment and have elected to continue providing routine and ongoing care.

<sup>2</sup> Does not include treatment for patients receiving ongoing care.

<sup>3</sup> Value also included in Value of Care to Patients Treated.

**Dental School Graduate Honored**

Dental Lifeline Network partners with dental schools through the Brian D. Stone Memorial Award to recognize graduating students who have committed to volunteerism or to helping people with special needs. At the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry, the 2015 recipient was Dr. Lindy Ann Cope. Now in practice in Prairie Village, Dr. Cope is a Kansas Donated Dental Services (DDS) volunteer.



**Kansas Donated Dental Services (DDS) is a program of Dental Lifeline Network, a national humanitarian organization providing access to comprehensive dental care for society's most vulnerable people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile and have no other way to get help. Nationally, DDS has more than 15,000 volunteer dentists and 3,700 volunteer laboratories.**



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