



Dental Lifeline
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DENTAL LIFELINE NETWORK COLORADO



Mark, 52, of Colorado Springs has had progressive multiple sclerosis since high school and relies on a wheelchair for mobility. With many non-restorable teeth, he also suffered pain and the inability to chew and could not afford the extensive dental treatment he needed. After Mark was referred to Donated Dental Services (DDS), Dr. Donald Hull, a DDS volunteer oral surgeon, extracted 26 of Mark's teeth and donated eight implants, with parts contributed by Zimmer Biomet. Dr. Todd Pickle and Dr. Emily Batson, DDS volunteer prosthodontists, fitted Mark with dentures. Mark's life is totally changed. He is more capable of caring for his teeth and happy with his new smile.



Mark (center) with Drs. Todd Pickle and Emily Batson

“For somebody like me who has a chronic illness, it makes such a difference. I can’t tell you how wonderful DDS is. I can’t stop smiling, you guys did such great work.” – Mark, DDS patient

“Mark has an extremely positive attitude towards life and his conditions. He has been very realistic about the treatment that has been provided for him. It is always rewarding to treat someone who appreciates your time and energy like Mark does.” – Dr. Todd Pickle, DDS volunteer prosthodontist

“Thank you for your tireless efforts at DDS. A hang-up for many that would like to help is finding people that are ‘deserving’ of help. The work that you do to find patients and coordinate providers is integral to our ability to offer our services.”

– Dr. Donald Hull, a DDS volunteer oral surgeon

PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

In the Denver metro area, contact Coordinator Kevin McGrellis at 303.534.3931 or kmcgrellis@DentalLifeline.org

In the remainder of Colorado, contact Coordinator Pam Pairan at 800.466.8129 or ppairan@DentalLifeline.org





Last year, 695 volunteer dentists and 208 volunteer labs treated 493 people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile.



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.

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COLORADO DONATED DENTAL SERVICES (DDS)



Fiscal Year 2014-2015

PATIENT TREATMENT

Number of Patients Treated ¹	493
Number of Patients on Wait List	91
Number of Volunteer Dentists.....	695
Number of Volunteer Labs	208

FINANCIAL

Value of Care to Patients Treated ¹	\$1,882,451
Average Value of Treatment/Case ²	\$4,329
Value of Donated Lab Services ³	\$160,931

SINCE COLORADO PROGRAM INCEPTION (1985)

Total Patients Treated	11,602
Total Value of Care to Patients Treated ¹	\$27,174,126

¹ *Of this amount, 92 patients received \$142,321 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*

² *Does not include treatment for patients receiving ongoing care*

³ *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 Colorado School of Dental Medicine, the 2015 recipient was Dr. Darin Johnston.



Colorado 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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