



Dental Lifeline  
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# DENTAL LIFELINE NETWORK VERMONT

## 2013-2014 Annual Report

Johnny is a 60-year-old U.S. Military veteran who lives in Barre. Prior to the onset of his disability, Johnny worked for nonprofit and mental health organizations. In 2012, painful dental disease and decay forced him to lose all his teeth. Relying solely on disability benefits, he was unable to afford dentures. Johnny had difficulty eating – which further complicated the diabetes he struggled to manage. Donated Dental Services (DDS) volunteer Dr. Agnes Hibbs, a general dentist, fitted Johnny with upper and lower dentures fabricated by Barth Dental Lab, one of five dental labs in Vermont that donate their services to DDS patients. Now able to chew his food, Johnny's diet has significantly improved and he is all smiles.



Johnny (center) with Dr. Agnes Hibbs (front right) and dental assistants, Karen Nye (left) and Trish Blanchard

***"I am thankful to Dental Lifeline Network and also to Dr. Hibbs and her staff. It couldn't have been better. My heart overflows with gratitude to you and your organization."***

***– Johnny, a DDS patient***

***"Johnny is such a gracious person and always appreciative. He was completely toothless when we met him, and now he's a handsome guy!"***

***– Dr. Agnes Hibbs, DDS volunteer***

## **CHANGE A LIFE WITH DONATED DENTAL SERVICES (DDS)**

### **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**

***"We get a sense of accomplishment treating DDS patients. The most rewarding thing for my staff is how much they change when the work is completed."***

***– Dr. James Szarko***

### **Please volunteer**

Contact Vermont DDS Program Coordinator  
Margaret Petrick at 406-449-9670 or  
mpetrick@DentalLifeline.org

***Last year, 19 Vermont volunteer dentists and 4 labs treated 7 people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile.***

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

**VERMONT DONATED DENTAL SERVICES (DDS)**

*Fiscal Year 2013-2014*

**PATIENT TREATMENT**

Number of Patients Treated .....	7
Number of Applications Received.....	22
Number of Volunteer Dentists.....	19
Number of Volunteer In-State Labs .....	5

**FINANCIAL**

Value of Care to Patients Treated <sup>1</sup> .....	\$27,645
Average Value of Treatment/Case.....	\$3,949
Value of Donated Lab Services <sup>1</sup> .....	\$3,396

**SINCE VERMONT PROGRAM INCEPTION (2008)**

Total Patients Treated .....	16
Total Value of Care to Patients Treated <sup>1</sup> .....	\$51,352

<sup>1</sup> Lab services also included in Value of Care to Patients Treated

**VERMONT DDS**

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**Vermont Donated Dental Services (DDS) is a part 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 3,800 laboratories.**

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