

July 2014 – June 2015 Annual Report

DENTAL LIFELINE NETWORK MISSOURI

Fred, age 70, who lives in Blue Springs, is a cancer survivor with bipolar disorder. He had severe dental problems with painful abscesses, but could not afford treatment. Fred was accepted into the Donated Dental Services (DDS) program, but his treatment was interrupted by his recovery from surgery at a rehabilitation facility, followed by a cancer diagnosis and more surgery. He went through a confusing period with missed appointments, problems with transportation and loss of his support team. After Fred returned home, Dr. Patrick Collins, a DDS volunteer general dentist, fitted Fred with upper and lower partial dentures fabricated by Creative Dental Arts, one of 110 dental laboratories that volunteer for Missouri DDS. Volunteer oral surgeon Dr. Anthony Trakas extracted a tooth. Volunteer general dentist Dr. Roger Fender also contributed to Fred's care. Dentsply Sirona, a manufacturer, donated teeth for Fred's dentures.



Fred with Dr. Patrick Collins

"I have beautiful teeth now. I was afraid to smile and kept my lips closed. Now I smile a lot. There's no better doctor in the world than Dr. Collins. A thousand thanks." – Fred, DDS patient

> "I don't think I ever saw Fred having a bad day. He is a happy person. He still sends us a Christmas card every year.

DDS patients are very appreciative. They seem to be screened pretty carefully. They hit on hard times and it's a way we can help someone who really needs it. This can be life-changing and the staff gets a lot out of it. The labs provide a lot. The feeling you get when you help somebody is just great." – Dr. Patrick Collins, DDS volunteer



PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

Change a Life with Donated Dental Services (DDS)

Contact Coordinator Teena Paris at 573.636.4440 or tparis@DentalLifeline.org, or visit www.DentalLifeline.org/volunteer



Last year, 367 volunteer dentists and 110 volunteer labs treated 251 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.

To ask questions or to volunteer, contact Coordinator Teena Paris at 573.636.4440 or tparis@DentalLifeline.org

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MISSOURI DONATED DENTAL SERVICES (DDS)



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Number of Patients Treated 1	
Number of Patients on Wait List	

Number of Volunteer Dentists	. 367
Number of Volunteer Labs	110

FINANCIAL

Value of Care to Patients Treated ¹	\$866,508
Average Value of Treatment/Case ²	\$3,748
Value of Donated Lab Services 3	\$82,954

SINCE MISSOURI PROGRAM INCEPTION (1999)	
Total Patients Treated	
Total Value of Care to Patients Treated	\$6,420,746
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¹ Of this amount, 36 patients received \$60,650 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 Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry, the 2015 recipient was Dr. Lindy Ann Cope. Now in practice Prairie Village, Kansas, Dr. Cope is a Donated Dental Services (DDS) volunteer.



Missouri 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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