Dental Lifeline Network Colorado July 2015–June 2016 Annual Report



The Story

Reinhard, 74, lives in a subsidized apartment in Boulder. He considered himself healthy for his age, until one day he suffered a concussion when he was hit by a car while riding his bike. Following the accident he has memory loss and is undergoing cognitive therapy. Overall his physical health was relatively stable, but his oral health was poor and he had missing, broken, and decayed teeth. Formerly a printer and house painter, Reinhard is retired and survives on a small Social Security and could not afford the needed dental treatment.

How DDS Helped

After Reinhard was referred to **Donated Dental Services (DDS)**, three volunteer dentists helped:

- Dr. Martin Ters, restored three teeth and donated 11 crowns and upper and lower partial dentures
- Dr. Alan Reisman, oral surgeon, extracted a tooth
- Dr. Brian Frutchey, endodontist, donated four root canals

Inspiring, humane, life changing, are some words to describe what has been done for this older human being. I am forever grateful and thankful for all the amazing work they did on my teeth.

- Reinhard, DDS patient



Dr. Ters with Reinhard

It's a way of showing we have heart, too, and we can serve people who are really in need. It's kind of a humane way of why we go into denstistry in the first place — to help people.
Dr. Ters, DDS volunteer

Colorado Donated Dental Services (DDS) is a program of Dental Lifeline Network, a national humanitarian organization and charitable affiliate of the ADA, providing access to comprehensive dental care for people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile and have no other way to get help. Nationally, more than 15,000 dentists and 3,700 laboratories volunteer for DDS.



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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 help people with special needs. At the University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine, the 2016 recipient was Dr. Jessika Elizabeth Martin.



DDS is a Program of Dental Lifeline Network • Colorado and the Colorado Dental Association

Colorado Donated Dental Services (DDS)

Fiscal Year 2015-2016

Patient Treatment

Patients

on Wait List



Volunteer

Dentists

Average Value

\$4,052²

of Treatment/Case

Volunteer Labs

Financial

Patients

Treated¹

Value of Care to 123 Patients Treated \$1,857,868¹





Value of Donated Lab Services \$151.617³

Since Colorado Program Inception (1985)





¹ Of this amount, 94 patients received \$95,411 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

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