

Dental Lifeline Network • Pennsylvania Annual Report



The Story

Luanne, 54, lives alone in the Philadelphia area and has multiple health challenges. She donated a kidney in her 30s that led to complications and additional surgeries. Now, Luanne suffers from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, Hashimoto's Thyroiditis, anemia, connective tissue disorder, and celiac disease.

In addition to her poor health, Luanne's dental health was in need of attention. She was missing several teeth and had a broken bridge. In constant pain, Luanne needed help with her dental problems but could not afford treatment. Before being placed on permanent disability, Luanne had a steady job that paid well, but now she struggles to make ends meet. It seemed as if she had nowhere to turn for help.

“This wonderful gift you have given me is a blessing that I will never forget!”
--Luanne, DDS Patient

How DDS Helped

Luanne was referred to the **Donated Dental Services (DDS)** program and she was linked with a team of generous volunteers:

- Oral Surgeon Dr. Steven E. Moriconi performed extractions and gum smoothing procedure.
- Dr. Barry Isdaner donated a full upper denture and partial lower denture.
- DeLux Dental Laboratory fabricated the dentures at no cost.



Luanne with Dr. Barry Isdaner

“Participating in the DDS program is something that makes the whole DeLux team feel good! Patients in the DDS program are objectively qualified and treatment is coordinated to ensure wise use of doctor and lab resources. A wonderful opportunity to improve the quality of life of people in need.”

--Joseph Bakanowski of DeLux Dental Laboratory, PA Leadership Council member and DDS Volunteer

Dental School Graduate Honored

Dental Lifeline Network partners with dental schools through the Brian D. Stone Memorial Award to recognize graduating students who are committed to volunteerism or to helping people with special needs. At the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine, the 2017 recipient was Dr. Meghan Monahan, pictured below with Dr. Lynne Taiclet.



Pennsylvania 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, almost 15,000 dentists and 3,500 laboratories volunteer for DDS.

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Pennsylvania Donated Dental Services (DDS)

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

Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Patient Treatment



Patients Served



256
Patients on Wait List



624
Volunteer Dentists



129
Volunteer Labs

Financial



Value of Care to Patients Treated
\$1,382,445



Average Value of Treatment/Case
\$3,465¹



Value of Donated Lab Services
\$140,465²

Since Pennsylvania Program Inception (1996)



Total Patients Treated
4,898



Total Value of Care to Patients Treated
\$15,428,533

¹ Average value is based on patients that have completed comprehensive treatment; does not include active patients, or patients who continue to receive ongoing care from their DDS volunteer.

² Value also included in Value of Care to Patients Treated.

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