The Story
Laura, 48, lives in Sarasota and is fighting Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. After undergoing several rounds of chemotherapy, a stem cell transplant was Laura’s last treatment option. To qualify for a transplant she first needed dental clearance. Laura hadn’t been to a dentist in a few years and often experienced pain when eating. Before her diagnosis, Laura enjoyed working, and spending time with her friends. She liked to entertain her friends and family with stories of life growing up around the Ringling Brothers Circus where her parents were performers. Now her focus is getting healthy again.

With only a small Social Security Disability benefit and food stamps, Laura’s monthly expenses exceed her income and she has difficulty making ends meet. Unfortunately, she could not afford the dental treatment she needed in order to qualify for the transplant. It seemed she had nowhere to turn for help.

How DDS Helped
Fortunately, the Moffitt Cancer Center referred Laura to the Donated Dental Services (DDS) program and she was linked with three generous volunteers:
• Dr. Lauren Krauser restored 12 teeth and donated a four-unit bridge.
• Endodontist Dr. Margaret Young performed two root canals.
• Sun Dental Labs donated 4 crowns.

Post Treatment
Thanks to this team, Laura’s dental health has been restored and she is one step closer to winning her cancer battle.

"This is a life-altering program. I don’t know what I would have done without this. It is amazing that dentists donate their time to help people."
--Laura, DDS Patient

"Laura was an absolute pleasure to work with. She was very easy to get along with and supremely flexible with when she could come in. Most of all she was grateful for the services provided. She sent me the most beautiful heartfelt letter. That was the best form of payment I have even been given."
--Dr. Lauren Krauser, DDS Volunteer

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• You review patient case and decide
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Florida Donated Dental Services (DDS)  
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Patient Treatment

228 Patients Served  
532 Patients on Wait List  
448 Volunteer Dentists  
214 Volunteer Labs

Financial

Value of Care to Patients Treated $712,063  
Average Value of Treatment/Case $6,419\(^1\)  
Value of Donated Lab Services $75,314\(^2\)

Since Florida Program Inception (1997)

Total Patients Treated 1,817  
Total Value of Care to Patients Treated $8,169,979

\(^1\) 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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