

Dental Lifeline Network • Indiana ANNUAL REPORT

THE STORY

Winter, 41, lives in Indianapolis and suffers from focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS), a rare, hereditary condition causing permanent kidney damage and failure. Her mother passed away from FSGS, and all of her siblings inherited it. Winter first learned she had FSGS when she went into labor with her first child, who passed away at seven months. She lost another child due to her condition as well. She went on to have two healthy children, but Winter had to be placed on dialysis in 2016.

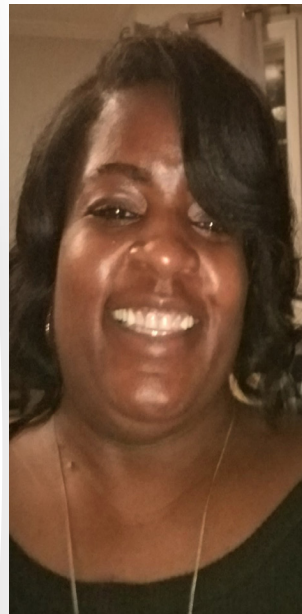
She now undergoes frequent dialysis and is on a multi-state kidney transplant wait list. Unfortunately, over the past few years her dental health had deteriorated: a previous filling had fallen out and several other teeth were damaged. Winter needed to address her dental condition in order to remain on the transplant wait list but she was unable to afford the dental treatment she desperately needed.

Her Medicaid benefits no longer included dental coverage and her small Social Security Disability benefit did not even cover her monthly bills. Though she was desperate for help, it seemed Winter had nowhere to turn.

HOW DDS HELPED

Thankfully, Winter's dialysis center referred her to the DDS program and two generous volunteers came to her aid.

Who Helped: Dr. David Wolf, a general dentist, restored one tooth, and with help from a volunteer laboratory, donated three crowns, a three-unit bridge and two, four-unit bridges, restoring Winter's dental health and providing life-changing treatment that restored Winter's dental health. Thanks to these volunteers Winter



"We have treated many outstanding patients that have been dealt hardships in life and as a result neglected their dental care. Every patient I remember providing care for in this program has been most appreciative."

- **Dr. David Wolf**, right, DDS Volunteer Dentist

"My experience with DDS was amazing and stress free. I used to be so self-conscious and would always try to hide my missing teeth. I feel 1,000% better about my smile. I am glad for services like this. My overall health is better because I don't have bad teeth in my mouth any longer. Thank you for everything!"

- **Winter**, left, DDS Patient

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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.

2020 Recipient:

Dr. Amanda K. Disney, Indiana University School of Dentistry

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Patient Treatment



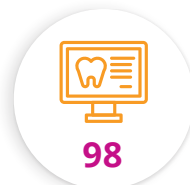
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Served



Patients on
Wait List

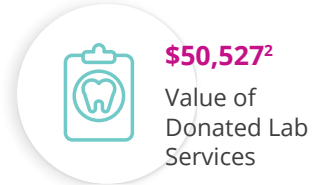


Volunteer
Dentists

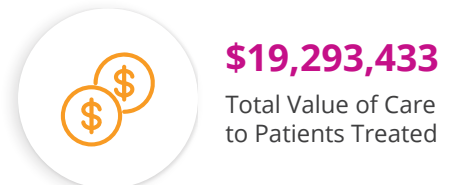
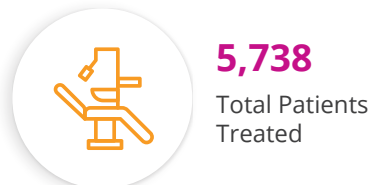


Volunteer
Labs

Financial



Since Indiana Program Inception (1991)



¹ Average does not include treatment from DDS volunteer dentists who provided patients with initial restorative treatment and have elected to continue providing routine and ongoing care.

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

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