DECOD Clinic  
Seattle, Washington

Program Overview

The Dental Education in Care of Persons with Disabilities (DECOD) Clinic, established in 1974, is located in the state of Washington. Services include emergency, basic, and comprehensive care. The program targets individuals with developmental and acquired disabilities, the majority of whom receive Medical Assistance. Approximately 4,500 dental visits are made per year to the DECOD program, which is one of the few clinics in the state of Washington to provide dental services to those with moderate to severe disabilities. Further, the DECOD program uses portable equipment to make visits to homebound residents and to those in long-term care facilities. The Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors selected this program as a Best Practice Project in 2007.

Program Contact Information

Program Website: https://dental.washington.edu/oral-medicine/patient-care/decod-clinic/
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### Program Features

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<th>Age</th>
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| ☒ 0-17 (Children and Youth) | ☒ Dental clinic model (e.g. permanent setting)  
🗑️ Mobile-portable model  
🗑️ Eligibility and enrollment model (e.g. referrals, care coordination)  
🗑️ Virtual model (e.g. telehealth)  
🗑️ Event-based model  
🗑️ Outreach and education model | ☒ Emergency services  
🗑️ Basic services  
🗑️ Screenings  
🗑️ Cleanings  
🗑️ Fluoride varnish  
🗑️ Sealants  
🗑️ X-rays  
🗑️ Comprehensive services  
🗑️ Fillings  
🗑️ Scaling/root planing  
🗑️ Extractions  
🗑️ Oral surgery  
🗑️ Root canals  
🗑️ Dentures, partials, relines, repairs  
🗑️ Crowns  
🗑️ Bridges  
🗑️ Orthodontics |
| ☒ 18-60 (Adult)   | ☒ Dentist  
🗑️ Dental hygienist  
🗑️ Dental therapist  
🗑️ Dental assistant  
🗑️ Dental/dental hygiene students  
🗑️ Nursing staff  
🗑️ Community health workers  
🗑️ Non-dental clinical staff  
🗑️ Non-clinical staff | |
| ☒ 60+ (Older Adult) | ☒ Medicaid  
🗑️ No charge to client  
🗑️ Sliding fee scale  
🗑️ Out of pocket  
🗑️ Commercial dental insurance | |

### Specific Populations

- ☐ Homeless individuals
- ☒ Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities
- ☒ Individuals with physical disabilities
- ☐ Individuals with specific or complex medical conditions
- ☐ Individuals with low income
- ☒ Individuals with no dental insurance
- ☐ Individuals with Medicaid
- ☒ Veterans
- ☒ Refugees/immigrants

### Geography

- ☒ Rural
- ☒ Urban

### Service Delivery Setting

- ☒ Hospital
- ☒ Dental school
- ☒ Community/safety net clinic
- ☒ Private dental office
- ☒ Long-term care facility
- ☒ Senior center/community center
- ☒ Private residence
- ☒ Fairgrounds/stadium/parking lot
- ☒ Church
- ☒ School
- ☒ Homeless shelter
- ☒ Public housing

### Staffing

- ☒ Dentist
- ☒ Dental hygienist
- ☒ Dental therapist
- ☒ Dental assistant
- ☒ Dental/dental hygiene students
- ☒ Nursing staff
- ☒ Community health workers
- ☒ Non-dental clinical staff
- ☒ Non-clinical staff

### Payment for Care

- ☒ Medicaid
- ☒ No charge to client
- ☒ Sliding fee scale
- ☒ Out of pocket
- ☒ Commercial dental insurance

### Program Funding

- ☒ Foundation/organization grant
- ☒ Public funding (e.g. local, state, federal)
- ☒ Private donations (e.g. individuals, businesses)

### Other Program Services

- ☒ Referrals to dental and oral health services
- ☒ Care coordination/care management
- ☒ Patient education
- ☒ Caregiver education
- ☒ Provider education
- ☒ Advocacy/coalition

### Integration with Services

- ☒ Medical services
- ☒ Behavioral health services
- ☒ Vision services
- ☒ Pharmacy services
- ☒ Transportation services
- ☒ Translation services
- ☒ Nutrition services

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