Friends of Calvert County Seniors Dental Program  
Calvert County, Maryland

Program Overview

The Friends of Calvert County Seniors (FCCS) Dental Program provides dental services to older adults with low incomes living in Calvert County, Maryland. This program provides access to and pays for older adults’ dental care, covering up to $2,000 in dental expenses. The FCCS Dental Program also provides other medical services, such as hearing assistance, prescriptions, emergency care, and eye care.

Program History and Development

FCCS Dental Program was founded in 1993 by the Calvert County Commission on Aging. The program was created to support the needs of the rapidly increasing older adult population, as many necessary services were not available to low-income older adults in the county. FCCS is a private, nonprofit charitable organization.

Program Sustainability

- Funding for the FCCS Dental Program is split between private grants from foundations and associations, community fundraisers, and individual donations.
- Older adults who receive services are expected to fund a portion of the care they receive. If able, they are asked to reimburse 10 percent of the total cost of their dental expenses, but out-of-pocket costs will not exceed $200.
- Individuals are accepted into the program based on availability of funds.
- This program is staffed by local dentists who offer a reduced rate for their dental services and volunteers who assist with fundraising events.

Program Impact

- FCCS Dental Program provides dental services to about 12 individuals per year, all of whom are required to submit an application to be accepted into the program.

Program Contact Information

Program Website: [http://fccseniors.org/dental-program/](http://fccseniors.org/dental-program/)
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Program Features

**Age**
- ☐ 0-17 (Children and Youth)
- ☐ 18-60 (Adult)
- ☒ 60+ ( Older Adult)

**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

**Service Delivery Model**
- ☐ 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

**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)

**Dental and Oral Health Services**
- ☒ 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

**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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