Give a Senior a Smile
Reno, Nevada

Program Overview

The Give a Senior a Smile program, based in Reno, Nevada, was modelled after the “Give Kids a Smile” day. It was sponsored by the American Dental Association and later became the Adopt-a-Vet program. Program partners included the Sanford Center for Aging Senior Outreach Services (SOS) and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) from the University of Nevada. Services included screenings, cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants, x-rays, scaling, care coordination, referrals, and patient and caregiver education. The program targeted low-income, homebound older adults. In total, more than $30,000 worth of services were provided free of charge.
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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

- **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

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

- **Integration with Services**
  - ☒ Medical services
  - ☐ Behavioral health services
  - ☐ Vision services
  - ☐ Pharmacy services
  - ☐ Transportation services
  - ☐ Translation services
  - ☐ Nutrition services

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