



San Antonio Christian Dental Clinic San Antonio, Texas

Program Overview

The San Antonio Christian Dental Clinic (SACDC) provides a wide range of dental services to low-income and homeless individuals in San Antonio and Bexar County through volunteer support. The clinic also offers dental care to members of Haven for Hope, a local organization that helps individuals experiencing homelessness. The SACDC's Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) training program is a free, 15-week course that aims to prepare students for certification via the State of Texas Dental Assistant Course Exam.

Program History and Development



SACDC was founded in 1986 and has 12 dental treatment rooms and four surgery suites. There are three training programs available through SACDC: fourth year dental student training, dental resident training, and RDA training. Through a partnership with the University of Texas (UT) Health Science Center, fourth year dental students provide general dental care. Dental residents in the Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at UT provide specialized treatment under the supervision of dental school faculty. The RDA training program began in 2008.

Program Sustainability

- In the year 2014, SACDC was supported by the Baptist Health Foundation of San Antonio, First Presbyterian Church, Methodist Healthcare Ministries, WellMed Charitable Foundation, and numerous other organizations and individuals.
- Among SACDC's community partners are Aspen Dental, Methodist Healthcare Ministries, The University of Texas Health Science Center Dental School, and the San Antonio Nonprofit Council.
- SACDC is entirely privately funded.
- The program is staffed by over 70 clinical partners who provide care. In total, nearly 300 volunteers work at SACDC each year.

Program Impact

- Each year, SACDC conducts over 60,000 procedures and 7,000 individual visits. In total, the dental care provided each year is worth \$3.5 million.
- SACDC received the highest Gold Star rating through GuideStar, an organization committed to providing information on non-profits to increase transparency and enable users to make better decisions.
- Since opening in 2008, the SACDC RDA program has trained 58 RDA students. In 2014, all RDAs in the program passed the certification exam.

Program Contact Information

Program Website: <https://sachristiandental.org/>



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Program Features

Note: A checked box below indicates an existing program feature.

Age	Service Delivery Model	Dental and Oral Health Services
<input type="checkbox"/> 0-17 (Children and Youth) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18-60 (Adult) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 60+ (Older Adult)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dental clinic model (e.g. permanent setting) <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile-portable model <input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility and enrollment model (e.g. referrals, care coordination) <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual model (e.g. telehealth) <input type="checkbox"/> Event-based model <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach and education model	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screenings <input type="checkbox"/> Cleanings <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fluoride varnish <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sealants <input type="checkbox"/> X-rays <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fillings <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scaling/root planing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extractions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oral surgery <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Root canals <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dentures, partials, relines, repairs <input type="checkbox"/> Crowns <input type="checkbox"/> Bridges <input type="checkbox"/> Orthodontics
Specific Populations	Staffing	Other Program Services
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Homeless individuals <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with physical disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with specific or complex medical conditions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individuals with low income <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individuals with no dental insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with Medicaid <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans <input type="checkbox"/> Refugees/immigrants	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dentist <input type="checkbox"/> Dental hygienist <input type="checkbox"/> Dental therapist <input type="checkbox"/> Dental assistant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dental/dental hygiene students <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing staff <input type="checkbox"/> Community health workers <input type="checkbox"/> Non-dental clinical staff <input type="checkbox"/> Non-clinical staff	<input type="checkbox"/> Referrals to dental and oral health services <input type="checkbox"/> Care coordination/care management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patient education <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caregiver education <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provider education <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy/coalition
Geography	Payment for Care	Integration with Services
<input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban	<input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No charge to client <input type="checkbox"/> Sliding fee scale <input type="checkbox"/> Out of pocket <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial dental insurance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical services <input type="checkbox"/> Behavioral health services <input type="checkbox"/> Vision services <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy services <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Translation services <input type="checkbox"/> Nutrition services
Service Delivery Setting	Program Funding	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Dental school <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community/safety net clinic <input type="checkbox"/> Private dental office <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Senior center/community center <input type="checkbox"/> Private residence <input type="checkbox"/> Fairgrounds/stadium/parking lot <input type="checkbox"/> Church <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless shelter <input type="checkbox"/> Public housing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foundation/organization grant <input type="checkbox"/> Public funding (e.g. local, state, federal) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private donations (e.g. individuals, businesses)	

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