



News Release

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Kids in Need of Dentistry and the Metro Denver Dental Society Partner to Offer Free Dental Care to Families

DENVER - April 20, 2018 – Each year more than 51 million school hours are lost due to dental illness. Kids in Need of Dentistry (KIND) and the Metro Denver Dental Society (MDDS) partnered to address the need. On Friday, April 20, KIND staff along with MDDS volunteer dentists provided dental treatment free of charge to Denver families.

While KIND traditionally treats children up to age 18, today's free clinic was special because MDDS volunteer dentists were also able to provide free care and oral hygiene education to their parents as well.

KIND Facts

- KIND serves children up to age 18 whose families are considered low-income by the Federal Poverty Level and KIND percentage guidelines. They also accept children with Medicaid and CHP+.
- In 2017, 76 volunteers provided almost \$100,000 worth of dental treatment to KIND patients.
- In 2017, KIND recorded 9,853 patient visits and \$693,702 in free or reduced dental care reaching over 8,000 children in need.

The next free clinic day will take place Monday, May 7, 2018 at the KIND clinic at MDDS, located at 925 Lincoln Street, Unit B, Denver, CO 80203 in the Beauvallon Building at the NW corner of 9th & Lincoln. Appointments can be made by contacting KIND at (303) 300-6155.

Founded in 1897, the Metro Denver Dental Society (MDDS) is a professional association devoted to the advancement of the dental profession and oral health awareness. MDDS represents 1,700 Denver area dentists – 70% of the market. For more information about MDDS, please visit mddsdentist.com or contact Cara Stan, MDDS Director of Marketing & Communications, at (303) 488-9700 ext. 3270 or marcom@mddsdentist.com.

Kids In Need of Dentistry (KIND) is a nonprofit organization that provides high-quality, affordable dental care to children in need throughout Colorado. Since 1912, KIND has helped thousands of children each year get the dental services they need at a cost their families can afford. KIND is committed to providing dental care that is respectful of and responsive to the specific cultural needs of the communities we serve.

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