



# NFDH Donated Dental Services

*Developed by Dentists, for Dentists.*

**You treat the patient. DDS does everything else.**

Patient: *Ms. P.*

Doctor: *Patrick Hayashi, DDS Volunteer*

Notes: *Hope and happiness restored!*

***"Because of unending pain from my dental problems, I began praying for God to let me fall asleep and never wake up again."***

*Medically compromised due to a stroke, deep vein thrombosis, degenerative disc disease, post traumatic stress disorder and a myriad of other health problems, Ms. P. had no way of attending to serious dental needs. Most of her teeth were broken, many to the gum line, with abscesses.*

*After being treated through the DDS program, Ms. P. had a new lease on life. "Something inside of me began to see endless reasons and possibilities up ahead in my life. I really started all over again with a sense of hope. Thank all of you so very much!"*

*Thanks to the skill and gracious nature of DDS volunteers, Ms. P.'s oral health was restored, as was her life.*

DDS Patient Profile



## **Easy for dentists. Life changing for patients.**

### **Volunteering is easy.**

- Review the patient profile(s) in advance
- Choose to see or decline any patient
- Determine your own treatment plan(s)
- See patients in your own office
- Never pay lab costs
- No extra paperwork for your office staff

### **Count on your DDS Coordinator to:**

- Ensure that patients will arrive on time for appointments
- Be the liaison between your staff and the patient to facilitate everything
- Arrange for necessary specialists and labwork to be donated, as well

### **Start by helping just one DDS patient!**

I have been involved with DDS for many years as a board member and volunteer dentist. As a dental professional. There is no better way to give back to your community; the thanks expressed by patients is heart warming and sincere. Contact DDS and change a life today; vulnerable people are waiting for your help.

*Gordon J. Christensen*

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# Dentists Making a Difference

In a terrible fire in 1985, Ms. K. endured burns over more than 46% of her body. On that tragic day she lost most of the mobility in her arms, and the fingers on one of her hands had to be amputated. Unable to work and barely able to live on her limited Social Security Disability checks, she had no money to pay for dental care. This lack of care caused extensive dental disease and Ms. K. was in a great deal of pain. She turned to Donated Dental Services (DDS) for the dental treatment she so desperately needed but could not afford.

Dr. Harwood, a DDS volunteer dentist, generously agreed to help by donating his services. In addition, a volunteer lab donated all of the fabrications necessary to help Ms. K. smile again.

Ms. K.'s life was changed through the kindness and compassion of DDS volunteers who received the boundless appreciation of their patient through smiles and tears.

There are thousands of deserving patients like Ms. K. all across the country. Dr. Harwood reached out and changed a life, and you can too.



## What is Donated Dental Services (DDS)?

DDS is a program that enables dentists to reach out to vulnerable patients — elderly, disabled or medically compromised people — who desperately need comprehensive dental care they cannot afford.

***"I couldn't be approved for a life-saving organ transplant because of the infections in my mouth, and had lost all hope. Dr. Leah Worstman volunteered to help, and gave me back my chance at life."***

### **National Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped Donated Dental Services (DDS)**

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