

Find Dental Health Services in Your Community



RESOURCES TO LOCATE DENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Use the list of resources below to find dental health services in your community.

- Search online or in your local phone book for state dental societies and associations, which can provide information about dentists, dental schools, and dental hygiene schools that offer services through school clinics, charitable dental health programs, and community health centers.
- Contact the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) online at www.findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov to locate federally funded health centers. Online services are available in English. Spanish speakers can call 1-301-443-5636 for free language services.
- Contact the National Dental Health Information Clearinghouse at 1.866.232.4528 or visit <https://www.nidcr.nih.gov/FindingDentalCare> to locate dental school and dental hygiene school clinics. Online services are available in English and telephone services are available in English and Spanish.
- Call 2-1-1 or search www.unitedway.org to identify state and local health and social service providers. Telephone and online services are available in English and Spanish.

REMEMBER TO ASK

When you call a dental provider to request information, remember to ask for:

- Services offered
- Hours of operation (Days and times)
- Whether the clinic or program accepts new patients
- Payment options (e.g. types of insurance accepted, sliding scale fees, ability to pay in installments, self-pay discount)
- Estimated wait time for an appointment
- Availability of bilingual staff or interpretation services

HANDOUT 3.1



USE THE TEMPLATE BELOW TO GATHER INFORMATION

Organization name: _____
Address: _____
Phone Number: _____
Hours of operation: _____
Accepting new patients? Y / N _____
Payment Options: _____
Estimated wait time for appointments: _____
Bilingual staff and/or interpretation services available? _____

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