

# Oklahoma Mission of Mercy

February 7-8, 2014 Enid, OK

Volunteer Registration Now Open at www.OkMOM.org

Please help us spread the word to prospective patients by copying and distributing the enclosed

Patient Information Flyer!

## **Foundation Seeks Applicants**

Delta Dental of Oklahoma is currently accepting applications for the position of Foundation Specialist. For details, visit www.DeltaDentalOK.org and click on Careers.



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Foundation News from Delta Dental of Oklahoma

# Dr. Frank Lipsinc Honored as Oral Health Hero

Dr. Frank Lipsinic of Oklahoma City has been recognized with the 2013 Oral Health Hero Award by the Delta Dental of Oklahoma Oral Health Foundation for his extraordinary service to benevolent dentistry. Dr. Lipsinic served as the OU College of Dentistry's Faculty Coordinator and Dental Director of the Good Shepherd Free Dental Clinic for over 14 years before retiring in August.

Dr. Lipsinic graduated from the West Virginia School of Dentistry in 1977 and served 29 years in the Air Force. Shortly after joining the faculty of the OU College of Dentistry in 1998 he became involved with the Good Shepherd clinic as a community service program for the students.

"There are dozens of charitable dentistry clinics and programs across the state and they are wholly dependent upon volunteer dentists," said Delta Dental president and CEO John Gladden. "By fostering a spirit of community service in hundreds of dental

students over the years, Dr. Lipsinic has helped ensure these programs can continue to provide dental care to those in need."

Dr. Lipsinic received the award at the 2013 Delta Dental "Resource for Dental Care" Summit held October 8 in Oklahoma City. Representatives from the OU College and Dentistry and the Good Shepherd also recognized Dr. Lipsinic at the event.

DDOK CEO John Gladden (left) presents volunteerism award to Dr. Frank Lipsinic.



# **Brogan Honored for Distinguished Service**



Donna Brogan, of Oklahoma City, was selected by the Oklahoma Dental Hygienist Association for the 2013 Delta Dental Distinguished Service Award for a Dental Hygienist.

A graduate of the OU College of Dentistry Dental Hygiene Program, Brogan now serves on its faculty and was honored as the Alumnus of the Year and the Outstanding Part-time Faculty member in 2012. Brogan organized the entire dental hygiene section of last year's Remote Area Medical (RAM) free dental/medical clinic and has volunteered for the Oklahoma Mission of Mercy, MobileSmiles Oklahoma dental van and countless Give Kids a Smile events.



# TWO DAYS OF FREE DENTAL CARE FOR THOSE IN NEED

FEB. 7-8, 2014 ENID, OK

CHISHOLM TRAIL EXPO CENTER
111 W. Purdue Avenue, Enid, OK 73701

- No appointments First-come, first-served Doors open at 5AM each day
- Fillings, extractions, cleanings, limited root canals Dentures not available

## Oklahoma Mission of Mercy (OkMOM)

#### PATIENTS' FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What age groups will be treated? All ages will be seen. However, we may be limited to the types of services offered if they are age-restrictive. (Dentures **not** be available at OkMOM).

**If I am under 18, do I need a parent/guardian present?** Yes. Parent/guardian must be with the child throughtout entire treatment.

Is there anything that would disqualify me from treatment? Each patient will undergo a simple medical exam at the start of your OkMOM experience. Some things that could prevent you from being treated include: having a fever at the time of treatment; uncontrollable, abnormally high blood pressure; or excessive bleeding in the past; abnormally high blood sugar levels.

**Do I need insurance/payment?** No. This is a completely free event. Because of the generosity of our volunteer dental professionals, we will not be filing insurance or charging patients for services performed.

**Can I pre-register/set an appointment?** No. All OkMOM services are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

**How early should I arrive at OkMOM?** The clinic doors will open at 5AM each treatment day. From our previous experience we expect people to begin lining up much earlier than 5AM. Please keep the following in mind:

- Patients will not be allowed into the clinic building before 5AM.
- If you decide to stand in line, it may be very cold. DRESS APPROPRIATELY.
- Collapsible chairs, blankets, and sleeping bags will be allowed.
   You will not have a chance to return them to your car and will need to carry them with you throughout the day. No tents.
- Security and restrooms/portable toilets will be available.
- OkMOM is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

What time will the clinic doors close? Once 1,000 people have entered, we will close the doors to any new patients for that day.

**How long will it take?** Be prepared to stay all day. There is no possible way to predetermine how long it will take for an

individual patient to complete the waiting and treatment process. **Please note:** Once you have entered the building for treatment **you will not be allowed to leave and re-enter for any reason,** including smoking or retrieving medication or other items from your car.

What should I bring to OkMOM? We recommend the following: List of current medications; one day supply of medications; baby supplies for a full day (diapers, formula, etc.); snacks, if you are diabetic. Bring these items with you in line; do not leave them in your car.

Can someone come with me while I am being treated? You are welcome to bring a friend or family member with you to OkMOM. They can stay with you while you are outside in line but we will require them to go the **family/friends waiting area** as soon as you enter the building. You will be able to meet them AFTER your treatment.

Will breakfast/lunch be provided? We will serve free breakfast and lunch to all **patients** inside the clinic waiting for treatment. Food and drinks will not be allowed on the clinic floor.

Will there be translators? Spanish and Vietnamese translators; signers for the hearing impaired.

Is there a limit as to how much treatment I can receive? Due to limited supplies, time and volunteers, we are limited to the amount of treatment we can provide each individual. When you enter our clinic, one of our volunteer dentists will meet with you and determine your treatment plan. Our first priority will be to treat your critical dental needs at the discretion of your dentist that day. The following are NOT available at OkMOM: Crowns, caps, dentures, partials, braces, root canals on back teeth.

Where do I park? There will be ample free parking designated.



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