The Need for Accessible Dental Services

Research increasingly confirms that chronic oral infections are linked to other physical health conditions. By establishing regular dental care at any age, an individual’s oral health practices are well grounded for the future. At the first visit to an Accessible Dental Services (ADS) dentist, after an initial assessment, as much work as possible is completed. A treatment plan is then created for the individual to address all existing conditions.

Once a base-line has been established, ADS dentists work with individuals to identify any potential risk factors that would determine the need for, and frequency of, follow up visits to enhance the outcomes of the preventative care they are now receiving. For example, side effects resulting from helpful medications that are commonly prescribed for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders, intellectual disabilities, or behavioral health diagnoses can be devastating.

As true specialists providing dental care for individuals with disabilities, the experienced and compassionate ADS professional team recognizes and addresses the unique medical and/or non-medical needs of each patient.

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Mobile Care

Our mobile dental unit (MDU) is specifically designed for non-sedation dental services. It is fully accessible to persons with physical disabilities, including individuals who are non-ambulatory, and is equipped with a lift to accommodate wheelchair access. For a listing of our Mobile Dental Unit Partner Sites, please visit our website.
Accessible Dental Services, Inc.

Accessible Dental Services (ADS) is a unique, nonprofit organization that has been providing specialized, quality dental care for individuals with disabilities since 2006. Currently, we serve more than 2,200 individuals.

Utilizing a combination of office-based services along with our mobile unit, we provide superior services to our patients in a safe, secure environment, resulting in unsurpassed clinical outcomes while meeting regulatory and best practices for preventative dental care.

How does it work?
Accessible Dental’s services are available to families and provider organizations who will transport dental patients to our office locations or mobile unit partner sites. The ADS professional team includes dentists, an oral surgeon, anesthesiologists, nurses, and dental support staff, all of whom are familiar with, and dedicated to, patients with disabilities.

As a benefit to the patient – not the dental professional – if required, we offer IV sedation services (at our office locations only) by a dental anesthesiologist, as a necessary measure to ensure a complete and thorough dental examination, including any restorative services.

Focus on the Patient
We are aware that many individuals with disabilities may not be able to sit in a typical dental chair, or may be hypersensitive about even the simplest dental procedures. In some cases, a routine cleaning and exam may require anesthesia, and/or additional considerations. We understand.

As a result, our team of professionals accommodates extended appointments, provides seating contingent on the patient’s needs, and ensures additional support through staff who are appropriately trained and able to identify with the potential fear, anxiety, and discomfort of the appointment.

To schedule an appointment, please call: (412) 820-1015 x 633 or you may reach us by e-mail at: schedule@accessibledental.org

Insurance
We keep the cost of dental care low for the individuals we serve by participating in the following insurance plans:

- Access
- AmeriHealth Caritus
- Gateway Health Plan
- Gateway Medicare Assured
- United Health Care Community Plan
- UPMC Advantage
- UPMC for Life Specialty Plan
- UPMC for You

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Convenient Office Locations

Accessible Dental Services currently has dental offices located in:

- Greentree
- Laporte
- Mt. Pleasant
- Murrysville
- Rochester

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