



MOM Piedmont Regional Dental Day

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Mission of Mercy Dental Day to Provide Free Dental Care to Hundreds of Virginia Under-insured and Uninsured Adults May 1

*New Piedmont Regional Dental Clinic to Launch Services at
Area's First "Mission of Mercy" Event*

BARBOURSVILLE, VA—The Virginia Dental Association, Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) and the newly formed Piedmont Regional Dental Clinic (PRDC) will host the area's first free Piedmont Regional Mission of Mercy (MOM) Dental Day for Virginia under-insured and uninsured adults on Saturday, May 1, 2010. Dental professionals from across the state will see an estimated 500–600 patients at the Barboursville Fire House (5251 Spotswood Trail Barboursville, VA 22923), beginning at 7:00 a.m. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged.

"Quality health care is on the minds of many Virginians," said Mary Foley of the Piedmont Regional Dental Clinic. "The Virginia Employment Commission estimates that one in five Virginians lives in an area underserved by dentists. We hope to help alleviate some of this need with our first MOM Dental Day."

Patients will receive at least one of the following dental services: preventive dentistry (such as tooth cleanings), restorative dentistry (such as fillings), or oral surgery (such as extractions). All services will be provided by fully accredited dentists, dental hygienists, or VCU School of Dentistry students.

While this is the first MOM event in this region, to date 46 MOM projects have provided over \$18 million of free dental care to more than 30,000 needy Virginians.

Pre-registration will be held at the Barboursville Fire House at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 30, 2010. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged, as patients will be treated on a first-come-first-served basis. Same-day registration will begin at 7:00 a.m., however, pre-registered patients should arrive at 6:00 a.m. to be seated.

PRDC

The Piedmont Regional Dental Clinic, Inc. (PRDC) is a new non-profit organization dedicated to providing low-cost dental services to underserved residents in the Piedmont region of Virginia and those having public option insurance such as Medicaid and FAMIS. When fully operational, PRDC will have permanent offices and a full-time dental staff. Visit www.vaprdc.org to learn more.