

# MobileSmiles Oklahoma Partners with Washington County Wellness Initiative

Through a \$2,500 Bartlesville Regional United Way Venture Grant, the Washington County Wellness Initiative (WCWI) brought the Oklahoma Dental Foundation MobileSmiles Oklahoma Dental Van to Bartlesville for two weeks in January 2016. During the weeks of January 18 and January 25, a total of 100 patients were seen by the MobileSmiles Oklahoma team and OU College of Dentistry fourth-year dental students. These professionals provided 410 procedures and allowed WCWI to leverage almost \$24,000 worth of dental services for an initial investment of \$4,800.

In addition to dental services, patients were given pre- and post-surveys on dental literacy and some oral health tips. Of the 51 patients who completed both the pre- and post-surveys, 62 percent showed an increase in knowledge of dental literacy.

The WCWI members are grateful to all the partners who made these dental services possible; the project truly was a collaborative effort. In addition to the Oklahoma Dental Foundation's MobileSmiles Oklahoma program, the WCWI Leadership Team partnered with Tri County Technology Center's OU Dental Hygiene Program students and instructors who provided initial dental screenings of patients and arranged for these patients to be scheduled for the MobileSmiles Dental Van.

According to Lydia Snyder, Director of the OU Dental Hygiene Clinic, "the dental clinic was a huge success!"

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Students from the Tri County Technology Center Dental Assisting Program

Casa Hispana volunteers provided scheduling, interpreting, translation, and follow-up for all Hispanic patients. Dr. Brendon Swisher, of Green Country Dental Arts, provided dental follow-up and WCWI's Access to Healthcare committee provided volunteers to assist patients with completing paperwork and escorting them to and from the dental van.

The Green Country Pilot Club is sponsoring a return of the MobileSmiles Dental Van to Bartlesville for four days in June, 2016.

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Milli Cappelletti, middle, Executive Director of Casa Hispana, and the Casa Hispana team.