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*Weekly Wednesday Update*

*Our Mission:  
To improve oral health  
in Kansas through  
advocacy,  
public awareness  
and education.*

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*A New Decade  
for Oral Health:*  
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## 2010 Annual Excellence in Oral Health Awards

Thank you to all who nominated someone for this year's Annual Excellence in Oral Health Awards.

Award winners will be honored at this year's Oral Health Conference on December 3rd, 2010 at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Topeka, Kansas.

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If you are committed to improving the oral health for all Kansans, you will find this conference offers you an exceptional value: nationally recognized speakers, excellent opportunities to strengthen your personal network with talented professionals from many disciplines across the state, and exhibitors offering the latest technical information and samples of new products - all for a very affordable conference fee.

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## Oral Health on Wheels

Oral Health on Wheels is the inspiration of Heather Flick, RDH, MS, MPH, Professor of Dental Hygiene at Johnson College Community College. Several years ago, she was searching for a way to educate dental hygiene students as well as community residents who were going without dental care. Her answer: outfitting a 40-foot truck as a mobile dental operator with a refrigerator, microwave, radio, sterilization facilities, two treatment rooms, x-ray capabilities, patient waiting area and wheelchair lift. The mobile vehicle is used as an extension of the onsite JCCC Dental Hygiene clinic providing enriching clinical dental hygiene experiences while serving the community. Heather qualified for a commercial driver's license in order to take the mobile clinic to community sites.



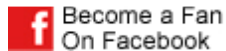
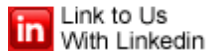
Capital fund raising occurred from 2005-2007 to underwrite this invaluable service. Ongoing expenditures are funded through JCCC. Capital funders include REACH Healthcare Foundation, Johnson County Community College Foundation, Dell Computers, Proctor & Gamble, Hudson Foundation, Henry-Schein Inc. Ultradent, Coltene Whaledent and Delta Dental of Kansas Foundation.

During the school year, Heather drives the mobile dental clinic with two second year students to the Lenexa-based Johnson County Developmental Services on Mondays so their consumers

receive care on a consistent basis. At Johnson County Developmental Support agency, 138 patients are receiving regular dental hygiene services. On Wednesday, service sites alternate between Center of Grace in Olathe and Johnson County Health Department, Olathe. The students provide services for underserved populations, including pregnant women, many of whom speak only Spanish. Treatment rendered through Oral Health on Wheels, during the 2009/2010 school year services have been estimated at a value of \$72,787.



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