Dental Champions Corner:

Congratulations to Greg Hill, JD (Class 2), who was recognized this year as the Outstanding Dental Champion. Greg's...
dedication to the Dental Champions program and to improving oral health in our state is second to none, and we were proud to recognize his accomplishments with the 2013 Outstanding Dental Champion Award.

Thanks to Conference Sponsors!

Oral Health Kansas thanks the following organizations for sponsoring the 2013 Conference:

- Delta Dental of Kansas Foundation
- Comfort Dental
- KDHE Bureau of Oral Health
- DentaQuest
- REACH Healthcare Foundation
- Johnson County Community College
- Kansas Dental Association
- Medical Products Laboratories
- Scion Dental

Charles Squire, DDS

Outstanding Volunteer:
Kathy Heerwald and the DCI Students at the Topeka Correctional Facility

Bob Bethell Award for Outstanding Policy Maker:
Dr. Kathy Weno & the Bureau of Oral Health

Outstanding Organization:
Heartspring

Outstanding Community Leader:
Judy Johnston

Also this year, three funders were recognized for their long-term support of Oral Health Kansas and the annual conference. Each has sponsored the Oral Health Kansas for five years: REACH Healthcare Foundation, Kansas Bureau of Oral Health, Kansas Dental Association. They joined three other funders as sponsors for five years or more: United Methodist Health Ministry Fund, Delta Dental of Kansas Foundation, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas. The generous support of these funders makes the continuing education and networking opportunities at the annual conference possible.

Each week, Oral Health Kansas will share story of one of our 2013 award winners. Congratulations to each. You are an inspiration to us all!

Economist shares data about dental care utilization

During the November 7-8 Oral Health Kansas Conference, an ADA health economist shared new data about dental care utilization in the United States. Data included details about the increased utilization of dental services by Kansas children served by the Medicaid program, as well as a decline in the number of adults accessing dental services. The data also showed that adults are
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more likely to not access dental services because they do not have a way to pay for the services.

Read more in a story about the conference published by the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City. The slides from the conference presentation are available on the Oral Health Kansas website.

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If you have an idea, story or suggestion for a Oral Health Kansas Weekly Wednesday Update please contact us at info@oralhealthkansas.org.