

PRASAD CDHP receives grant!

PRASAD Children's Dental Health Program (PRASAD CDHP) has earned the 2012 Samuel D. Harris Children's Dental Health Grant from the American Dental Association Foundation!



Dr. Samuel Harris was a noted pediatric dentist and philanthropist who created an endowment fund for prevention of childhood dental disease. Annually, the ADAF (www.adafoundation.org) awards the Samuel Harris Children's Dental Health Grant to non-profit organizations that sponsor education programs to help reduce the incidence of early childhood caries (cavities).



"An infant's teeth are susceptible to decay as soon as they begin to emerge. Early childhood caries is an infectious disease. Dental health education for the parents of infants and toddlers is important to promote healthy eating patterns, and to minimize caries risk."

PRASAD CDHP Program Administrator Cecilia Escarra, DDS,

The grant will sponsor the project, "GET A SMILE! PASS IT ON TO YOUR BABY." The goals of this project are to promote oral health education classes among pregnant women and to reduce caries incidences in babies and toddlers.

"The grant will allow PRASAD CDHP to provide oral health educational materials and dental hygiene supplies to pregnant women and children in Sullivan County, NY," added Dr. Escarra.

