



PRASAD Children's Dental Health Program mobile dental clinic.



Dr. G.K. Gleason, Chairman of the New York Dental Foundation (center) presents the award to Dr. Cecilia Escarra, Executive Director of The PRASAD Project (right), and to Dr. Swati Desai, PRASAD Children's Dental Health Program Trustee (Left)

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Monticello, NY—PRASAD Children's Dental Health Program is honored to be a four-time recipient of the Give Kids a Smile Award, given by the New York State Dental Foundation. The award is in recognition of the program's excellence in caring for the oral health care needs of children in Sullivan County.

Since 2007, the New York State Dental Foundation (NYSDF) has annually given its Give Kids a Smile Award (GKAS) to recognize programs which provide oral health care for children.

Dr. G.K. Gleason, Chairman of the New York State Dental Foundation, presented the award to Dr. Swati Desai, PRASAD CDHP Trustee and Dr. Cecilia Escarra, The PRASAD Project Executive Director. Dr. Gleason commented, "It's really my pleasure to be here today to present an award to PRASAD. This is the fourth time that the NYSDF has given this award to this group, which is more than any other group in this state. PRASAD's mission is very much in alignment with the NYSDF mission." PRASAD CDHP previously received the award in 2009, 2011 and 2014.

“On behalf of PRASAD I am honored to receive the award for the fourth time,” said Dr. Escarra. “Care is not just about fixing teeth or providing dental care, care is about people. I want to thank all the school nurses and Sullivan County organizations for your support of our dental program.”

The mission of PRASAD CDHP is to improve the dental health of children by providing comprehensive, high quality dental services including education, prevention, detection, and treatment. Since 1998, PRASAD CDHP has addressed the dental needs of children who are six months through eighteen years of age in Sullivan County and parts of Ulster County, New York. PRASAD CDHP looks forward to celebrating this February’s National Children’s Dental Health Month by raising awareness of the impact that oral health can have on the lives of children.

PRASAD Children’s Dental Health Program, a philanthropic expression of the Siddha Yoga path, provides dental care services and dental health education to children in Sullivan and Ulster counties.

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