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*Children's Dental  
Health Program*

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### WHAT WE DO

The mission of PRASAD Children's Dental Health Program, a not-for-profit organization, is to improve the dental health of children by providing comprehensive, high quality dental services through education, prevention, detection and treatment. Since 1998, PRASAD CDHP has provided dental care and dental health education to children in Sullivan and parts of Ulster Counties in New York.

PRASAD Children's Dental Health Program's goals are to increase access to dental care and reduce the prevalence of dental diseases.

*Join our efforts to bring  
happy, healthy smiles!*

**- DONATE TODAY -**

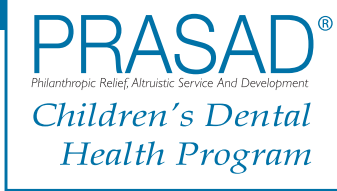


Since our inception in 1998, PRASAD CDHP has brought oral health care to children in our community. Our state-of-the-art mobile clinic allows us to serve the children where they are, and ensures that they are able to receive any needed dental care.

According to the recently released Sullivan County Oral Health Needs Assessment, oral health is a significant public health issue. PRASAD CDHP addresses this problem by providing dental health education and services to children who have no access to oral care. In 2015, 4,761 children benefited from dental education and the clinic received 885 dental visits.

An important part of our work is to build relationships and actively collaborate with state and local groups that seek to improve health outcomes, including the New York State Oral Health Coalition, the Rural Health Network and Sullivan County Oral Health Coalition.





### A DAY IN THE CLINIC

While the PRASAD CDHP clinic operates year-round, its busiest time is during the school year when it travels to schools throughout Sullivan and parts of Ulster County.

PRASAD CDHP mobile dental clinic starts the day early, traveling to local schools. The staff prepares the clinic for service, and the first patient arrives at 9:00 AM. Children are seen every 30 minutes until 4:00 PM.

The mobile clinic has a reception area, two private suites and a sterilization room. Like most private practices, the clinic also has books and a

television with DVDs to entertain the patients while they wait. The staff engages with the children to ensure a positive experience.

The children are escorted from the classroom to the clinic where they receive cleanings, check-ups and any other needed treatment such as filings and extractions. They return to class with an information sheet for parents about the work completed that day. The staff work closely with the schools, particularly the nurses, who are unsung champions for the overall well-being of the children.

The accessibility of the clinic is a major factor in both its success and popularity. A mother of three recently shared how convenient the clinic is for her, since her two older children can receive the care they need at school.



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### MAKE A DONATION

**\$25** - will purchase toothbrushes for 70 children

**\$100** - will provide one child with a preventive dental visit

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### BECOME A PRASAD CDHP PARTNER

With a monthly gift of \$25, less than one dollar a day, you can impact the oral health of children in need. On your first year anniversary of being a PRASAD CDHP Partner, you will receive a beautiful LoveQuotes scarf donated to CDHP.

### ABOUT PRASAD CDHP

PRASAD Children's Dental Health Program is an initiative of The PRASAD Project, a philanthropic expression of the Siddha Yoga mission.

For more information about PRASAD CDHP please visit our website:

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