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Bringing Dental Care to the County

Mobile Dental Health Centre Hits the Road for Oral Health Month

April is Oral Health Month and the Peterborough County-City Health Unit kicked it off by sending out the Mobile Dental Health Centre, with its first stop of the season in Lakefield today. The Mobile Dental Health Centre offers preventive dental services to eligible residents including: scaling, cleaning, sealant, fluoride treatment and oral cancer screening.



“We are excited to be back on the road with the Mobile Dental Health Centre for Oral Health Month,” explained Sarah Tanner, Oral Health Program Manager. “This year we are trying something new and asking eligible residents to preregister for services. This will allow for the Mobile Dental Health Centre to target communities with the greatest need for dental services.”

Over the next few months, the Mobile Dental Health Centre will be visiting areas of the county with the biggest need for its services. To do this, the Peterborough County-City Health Unit is asking residents to call 705-748-2230 and request an appointment. Locations of the Mobile Dental Health Centre stops will be determined based on the calls received.

The launch of this year’s Mobile Dental Health Centre is also an opportunity to follow up with the annual school dental screening program. Throughout the school year, public health dental hygienists visit students to conduct assessments of their dental health and provide recommendations to their parents/guardians. Following screening, a card is sent home with your child to let you know the results. If your child was recently screened and received a card, they may be eligible for free preventive services at the Mobile Dental Health Centre under the Healthy Smiles Ontario Program. For more information about Healthy Smiles Ontario, visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/get-dental-care> or call Service Ontario at 1-844-296-6306.

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The Mobile Dental Health Centre has been offering professional dental services throughout the county to eligible residents for five years. To book an appointment or find out if your family is eligible, call 705-748-2230, or email dental@pcchu.ca.

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