

MEDIA ADVISORY

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FLORIDA DENTAL ASSOCIATION CELEBRATES 13TH ANNUAL “GIVE KIDS A SMILE”: FREE DENTAL CARE FOR UNDERSERVED CHILDREN

JACKSONVILLE, FL. (January 29, 2016) - On February 6, 2016, the Jacksonville Dental Society is partnering with the Sulzbacher Center Dental Clinic to participate in the American Dental Association (ADA)/Florida Dental Association (FDA) ***Give Kids a Smile*** (GKAS) program.

GKAS is designed to provide oral health education, as well as preventive and restorative treatment, to low-income children who do not have access to regular dental care. Initiated in 2003 by the ADA, GKAS is observed during Children's Dental Health Month each February. Most events are held the first Friday in February, but all GKAS programs throughout the year are recognized.

Participating children must be pre-screened at the Sulzbacher Dental Clinic in downtown Jacksonville prior to the event to assure a spot on treatment day. Patients will be treated on a first-come, first-served basis with priority given to those who were pre-screened. Walk-ins will be accepted on the February 6 treatment day, if the schedule permits.

DATE: Saturday, February 6, 2016

TIME: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Sulzbacher Center Dental Clinic
611 East Adams Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

About the Sulzbacher Center

Sulzbacher Center provides the opportunity for homeless men, women and children to achieve a better life. The center's comprehensive services include street outreach, daily meals, safe shelter, case management, job placement, medical, dental, and behavioral health care as well as scattered-site housing. Every day, the Sulzbacher Center is home to more than 340 homeless members of our community-many of whom are children. For more information, visit www.sulzbachercenter.org

About the Florida Dental Association (FDA)

The FDA is a Tallahassee-based, statewide, professional association representing member-dentists in Florida. Founded in 1884 by twelve dentists, the FDA is a constituent society of the American Dental Association (ADA). The mission of the FDA and its members is to improve the oral health of Florida residents, promote ethical practice standards, and direct the evolution of the practice environment through continuous education and advocacy for the profession and the public.

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