Special thanks to all our trip leaders, fundraisers and volunteers.

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Thanks also to:

Chairman’s report

Jeremy Hett
Chairman of Trustees

A visit to the British Dental Industry Association exhibition at London’s ExCeL opened my eyes to the scale of dental activity in the UK and beyond. It was also very clear that the technological sophistication of all aspects of dentistry has reached new heights. That Dentaid is able to represent in some small way those, both overseas and in the UK, who have great difficulty in accessing any dental service at all, whether for financial, cultural, practical or emotional reasons, is testimony to the ongoing vision, energy and efforts of the organisation.

During the course of the last year, the mobile dental unit has been on the road throughout the UK and has been used for clinics from Poole to Peterhead. The opportunities to enable those who have lost contact with NHS services and give them a chance to re-engage are enormous. In total 36 UK clinics have been held in the last 12 months and 484 people have been treated.

At the same time, the overseas work has continued to attract enthusiastic volunteers, who have been to Kenya and Cambodia, Sri Lanka and Uganda, and a number of other countries besides. While all this goes on, the team at the Old Sawmills provides unstinting support for those in the field, both administratively and logistically.

I would like to express my gratitude to all the stakeholders of the Dentaid family. As well as the CEO and the staff, there are many folk who volunteer their services in the workshop, on the mobile dental unit and to lead teams overseas. Then there are all those who have run, cycled, jumped out of aeroplanes and much more besides, to raise funds for Dentaid.

A sincere thanks to you all!

A message from the CEO

Over the past 12 months I have had the pleasure of being part of many of the clinics we have been running for homeless and hard to reach communities. The experience has been humbling and has re-enforced to me that, although the NHS does a great job, it can’t be accessed by everyone all of the time.

I know that some people in the UK dental industry think that a charity should not be stepping in to run dental clinics. However, charities work to fill gaps and catch the most vulnerable people in our society in many fields of healthcare. Furthermore, charities support NHS provision by funding air ambulances, paying cancer nurses, supporting hospices and funding equipment like MRI scanners. Of course for a charity to provide these services we require funding and volunteers. The demand for our services is growing all the time and each week we hear about new homeless communities who need our help.

Funding this is a constant challenge but thanks to our wonderful volunteers we are able to reach a growing number of people who would otherwise struggle to access any form of basic dental care.

Andrew Evans
CEO
UK news

Dentaid’s UK work continues to grow rapidly as we work to meet rising demand for dental care for homeless and vulnerable people.

In the last 12 months our mobile dental unit has been used to deliver outreach dental clinics in towns and cities including Leeds, York, Wolverhampton, Salisbury, Winchester, Blackpool, Southampton and Hatfield. Some patients require fillings and extractions to help them out of long-term dental pain while for others stepping onto the unit is their first chance to re-engage with dentistry and start a discussion about how it can benefit their lives.

“I’ve had toothache for so long I don’t remember not having it. It does keep me awake but for people with anxiety and mental health issues going out to a dentist is really hard, so it’s much better that the dentists come here. I’ve had a filling and if I get my teeth sorted hopefully I’ll smile more.” James, resident at Alabaré Place, Salisbury.

Dentaid’s work in Dewsbury continues with clinics for those who find it difficult to access NHS dental care. The mobile dental unit (pictured below) has visited community centres, schools and Dewsbury Town Hall offering free treatment for people who aren’t registered with a dentist.

Fishermen from Poole and Peterhead received free dental care when we took our mobile dental unit to the quayside. Many seafarers find it very difficult to access dental care because they work long hours at sea and can’t afford to take time off. Dentaid has teamed up with The Seafarer’s Hospital Society UK to run outreach dental clinics in fishing communities and more are planned for 2019.

“I haven’t seen a dentist since I was 12 and I’ve become so self-conscious about the state of my teeth that I cover my mouth with my hand when I talk to people. I would have liked to go to a dentist but if my appointment was on a good day for fishing I would have to go out to sea otherwise we’d have no money. I often work 18 hour days and fishermen don’t get paid time off for dental appointments.

As my teeth got worse I worried I’d need lots of visits to the dentist so I just put up with it. The mobile unit coming here has been brilliant because I can get everything done in one go,” Pete Williams, fisherman (pictured left).

Georgina (left) from Trinity House in Winchester was full of smiles after she had dentures fitted by our volunteer team on the mobile dental unit.
2018 Dentaid’s busiest year

8,968 PEOPLE were treated by our first volunteering teams in 6 countries.

964 patients were treated by Dentaid’s Ugandan associates in outreach clinics.

16 dental chairs have been reconditioned by Dentaid volunteers and sent to a dental training school in Malawi.

870 children have benefitted from toothbrushing and fluoride varnish programmes in Cambodia.

5,646 miles is the distance travelled by our mobile dental unit in the UK.

99 people in Kirklees who could not register with an NHS dentist have received free dental care.

102 is the age of our oldest patient.

3 days is how long it took for a team of oral health educators to reach the remote community of Dolpa in Nepal where they set up a toothbrushing scheme.

15 miles this boy and his father walked from Rwanda to Uganda to visit our clinic.

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Extract from Uganda trip leader Gail Taylor’s blog:
“We have been working with a new dental officer, Andrew. His place of work is at Rubaya and he took us to see his clinic. It was unbelievable; no electricity or at least no light bulb if there was any, a chair that was so old and equipment you wouldn’t want anywhere near your mouth. I could have cried seeing the conditions he was expected to work in and where patients are expected to go for treatment. He is clearly passionate and dedicated to dentistry and his patients. Dentaid volunteers worked alongside Andrew treating up to 200 patients a day. With funds we would be able to send him new equipment.”

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