an affiliate of Christian Health Associates
Collaborative practice

- We started a Collaborative Practice Project at Prestige Care and Rehabilitation Center in Anchorage. The facility has approximately 85 residents. We are working with the healthcare non-profit organization Christian Health Associates and the project is called ‘Healthy Smiles Forever’.
Legislation to Allow Project

- Sec. 08.32.115. Collaborative agreements. (a) If the collaborative agreement is approved by the board under (d) of this section, a licensed dental hygienist with a minimum of 4,000 documented hours of clinical experience within the five years preceding application for the board's approval may enter into a collaborative agreement with a licensed dentist in which the licensed dentist authorizes the licensed dental hygienist to perform one or more of the following:
  - (1) oral health promotion and disease prevention education;
  - (2) removal of calcareous deposits, accretions, and stains from the surfaces of teeth;
  - (3) application of topical preventive or prophylactic agents, including fluoride varnishes and pit and fissure sealants;
  - (4) polishing and smoothing restorations;
  - (5) removal of marginal overhangs;
  - (6) preliminary charting and triage to formulate a dental hygiene assessment and dental hygiene treatment plan;
  - (7) the exposure and development of radiographs;
  - (8) use of local periodontal therapeutic agents; and
  - (9) performance of nonsurgical periodontal therapy, with or without the administration of local anesthesia, subsequent to a licensed dentist's authorization or diagnosis as specified in the licensed hygienist's collaborative agreement.
  
(b) The services described in (a) of this section may be performed under a collaborative agreement approved by the board:
  - (1) without the presence of the licensed dentist;
  - (2) in a setting other than the usual place of practice of the licensed dentist; and
  - (3) without the dentist's diagnosis and treatment plan unless otherwise specified in the collaborative agreement or in (a) of this section.
Collaborative practice

• A **one year** prototype to evaluate processes and successes.

• If successful, the goal is to expand to other long term care facilities.
One year ago
6 months ago
Today’s operatory
Grand opening in May 2016

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- University of Alaska Anchorage
- Rasmuson Foundation
- Southcentral Foundation
- Healthy Smiles Project
- Patterson Dental
- UAA

All of our staff: Dr. Kim Self, Dr. Guv Ingram, Royann Röver, Ren, Nicki Bennett, Ron, Valerie Trefngali, Ron, Lia Parker, Joanne Cummings, Dave Roos.
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Collaborative practice

• Dr. Kim Self and Dr. Guy Ingrim are the dentists
• The hygienists are Royann Royer RDH, MPH and Valerie Truncali, RDH,
• Jackie Bauzon is the dental assistant
• Nicki Bennett is “overall consultant” 😊
Examples of Remarkable Cases
Remarkable Cases
Update January 2017

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Current activity

- Have seen approximately 43 residents
- Have completed some extensive treatment on a few residents
- All surveys have been positive

- Staff who does Nursing orientation is having all new staff view online training in oral health: During Orientation showing video module [https://dentistry.uky.edu/nursing-home-oral-health](https://dentistry.uky.edu/nursing-home-oral-health)

“Oral Care in the Nursing Home”
Treat your teeth and gums good or you could end up with wounds in your mouth.
Current activity

• Have a committee for Oral Health Improvement processes – last meeting Feb 6th
• Have had two full Staff trainings by UAA students and Royann
• Facility now has Physician Assistant and Medical Director – have met these individuals and working with them to identify residents in need of oral treatment
Oral Hygiene Instruction Cards in Residents Room

**Healthy Smiles Forever**

**Resident Name:**

**Supplies:**
- Denture brush
- Denture tablet
- Denture cup

**Instructions:**
- Brush denture with denture brush over sink
- Fill denture cup with cleaning tablet and water
- Place denture in cup and leave in solution overnight

**Notes:**

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**Healthy Smiles Forever**

**Resident Name:**

**Supplies:**
- Soft bristle toothbrush
- Fluoridated toothpaste

**Instructions:**
- Moisten toothbrush with warm water
- Use a pea size amount of fluoride toothpaste
- Brush teeth along the gums, tongue and lining of mouth 2 times a day, morning and night

**Notes:**
Innovative access to perform treatment😊
More new Dentures
New Dentures
Unique extraction
Extensive Periodontal Disease
Heavy plaque
Extensive decay
Expansion to another Facility

• Dr. Easley exploring working with CHA and opening clinic at Pioneer Home
Future Possibilities

A letter written requesting treatment for a woman in an independent assisted living home

_________ is an alzheimers patient who resides at _________ House and is in need of having her teeth cleaned. She is 76 years old. _____ no longer speaks, walks, reacts to anything very often. At times she will make a point with a facial expression at an appropriate time, so we know that sometimes she does know what is happening around her. _____ spoke several languages fluently and taught high school in Cupertino, Calif. for her teaching career. We went to High School together here in Anchorage. We think she may need work done on her teeth. They definitely need a good cleaning. Sometimes she will wince or grimace which makes us think her teeth may be the problem. Can you tell us please what you would recommend we do for _____? It is very difficult to move her to an office away from ________ House,. I would appreciate any advice. Thank you so much
Future Possibilities

Ultimate goal -- to create an organization like Appletree non-profit in Minnesota. Provides services in many types of facilities for the disabled.
HEALTHY SMILES FOREVER

Be the reason someone smiles today
What if a Hygiene Association did not exist??

Who would advocate for me while I am working?
   Ex:  Bill 89  N2O regulations
   •  LA Gen supervision, collaborative license, restorative
   •  Who would choose Board members
   •  Who would fight for hygienists rights on a National level?

Who would arrange CE for hygienists in the State?

Who would support the Web page or Face Book?

Who would assist with volunteer events?  Dental Days

Where would you get readily available information/research on dental hygiene?

Who would set the Standards for Dental Hygiene?

How would the Dental Hygiene profession expand into other areas of the health professions?

Networking with others around the State