

A user-friendly GUIDE TO

Dental

FOR FAMILIES in Macomb County



About This Book

This *Small Book* is designed to assist families in locating free or low-cost community services in Macomb County and is designed to be user-friendly.

The book first lists a "SITUATION" followed by a short descriptive phrase about each of the known services listed for that situation, an explanation of the services and eligibility requirements (if applicable), and finally, the telephone number for the service.

This book lists services by a service category, not by agency. This helps to speed the finding of needed services. For the most part, only Macomb County resources are listed. Exceptions to this are out-of-county resources included if a Macomb County facility is filled or county or state services that may be accessed in Macomb County.

To aid you in your use of this book, you will notice the following format: Each "*Situation*" is enclosed in a black box to differentiate it from other situations.

The symbol (~) is placed in front of each new service under that category. All known services for a situation are grouped under it regardless of what agency offers those services.

As names of agencies and programs frequently change, please note that the former name is indicated in brackets { }.

Every effort has been made to assure that the information is up-to-date and accurate. Due to the dynamic nature of organizations, information changes often.

We hope that you enjoy this resource and that you are able to locate help more quickly. For your information, *Small Books* are available on the following topics:

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DENTAL

SITUATION: A person needs dental care.

YOUTH

- ❖ **High-quality, low-cost dental health services for qualified youth.** Eligibility guidelines include determination of income levels, and no dental insurance. Clients enrolled in Healthy Kids* are eligible. Available from the Macomb County Health Department* - at their Dental Clinic, Warren, (586) 573-2096.

SENIOR CITIZENS

- ❖ **One-time donated dental care for low income elderly aged 62 and older and disabled.** Applicants must complete an application and are put on a waiting list (about 2 - 6 months). Qualified individuals are treated at no cost; however, people who can pay for part of their care may be encouraged to do so, especially when lab work is involved. Medicaid recipients can receive help only with a written statement from their Medicaid dentist recommending treatment for a non-covered service.

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DISABILITIES

- ❖ **Donated Dental services for people with physical and mental disabilities who cannot afford needed dental treatment** matches qualified persons with volunteer dentists. Services are donated in the dentist's office. Qualified applicants must be permanently disabled, critically ill or elderly. Each person's condition must be severe enough to prohibit or significantly limit gainful employment. In addition, they cannot afford dental care on their own, have any other resources available to get treatment, and need extensive treatments, not just a cleaning and check-up. A referral coordinator screens each applicant. For more information, contact the Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped (800) 766-4466 (Denver, Colorado).

HOMELESS

- ❖ **Assistance for dental emergencies for homeless persons who have no insurance and may make co-pays for other dental programs.** "Homeless" includes shelters, transitional housing and those doubling up with others. Available from Downriver Community Services, (810) 794-4982 or (810) 734-4081.

ALL AGES

- ❖ **Dental Discount Program for all Macomb County residents and their dependents** who have no health insurance. The cost is \$69 per year. Plan members receive discount of 20%-60% on dental procedures. For more information, call Senior Citizen Services, (586) 469-6313.
- ❖ **Dentists who take Medicaid.** The Medicaid HMOs do not provide dental services. Medicaid recipients can use their plastic Medicaid card to go to dentists who take Medicaid. Questions about Medicaid-covered services can be answered at (800) 642-3195. For a referral to a dentist who accept Medicaid, call the Tri-County Dental health Council at (248) 559-7767 or the Macomb Dental Society, (586) 677-9178.
- ❖ **Full range of dental services at about 1/3 of private practice rates and will accept Medicaid.** A cleaning is \$34. Each appointment is about 3 hours long. Available from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, Ann Arbor, (734) 763-6933.
- ❖ **Dental services** (extractions, root canals, veneers, invisalign, braces, and "complete smile makeovers.") and accepting most insurances, Medicaid. A sliding fee scale (with prior authorization from Downriver Community Services and only for residents of New Haven, Lenox, Ray Township). Available at New Haven Medical Center, 58144 Gratiot, New Haven, MI Suite 316. For more information, call Quality Dental Associates, (586) 749-3333

OUT-OF-COUNTY

- ❖ **Full range of dental services at about 25% - 50% less than regular dental offices.** First visit is \$35 which includes full mouth dental x-rays. Available from the U of D Dental Clinic, (313) 494-6700.
- ❖ **Low cost oral surgery (about \$35 - \$45 for extractions)** Accepts Medicaid, prior payment is required. Available from St. John Riverview Hospital in Detroit, (313) 499-4190.

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For the complete Resource Directory, please go to www.misd.net/connection





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