

Operation Access (OA) enables Bay Area health care providers to donate vital surgical and specialty care to people in need. For 23 years, Operation Access has enabled medical providers to donate over 15,000 vital outpatient surgical and diagnostic services to Bay Area residents in need. In 2015 alone, OA provided over \$17.9 million in Charity Care. We envision health care equity for people facing barriers to care.

There is a strong continued need for OA services despite the Affordable Care Act, including undocumented and recent immigrants, as well as timely care for new Denti-Cal patients. California faces a severe shortage of Denti-Cal providers to treat the influx of new Denti-Cal beneficiaries, which has lead to long wait times, increased ER visits, and overall poor health outcomes in the state.

What is Operation Access doing to help?

In response to requests from Bay Area FQHC dental departments, OA piloted an Oral Surgery Program in 2015, to help meet the need for coordinated surgical dental procedures that cannot be performed in a clinic setting.

Since November 2015:

- **5 Oral Surgeons** volunteering in Marin and Sonoma Counties: Matthew Mynsberge, DDS; Dallas Hickle, DDS; Vicente Chavez, DDS; Jiries Mogannam, DDS; Robert Jarvis, DDS.
- **18** uninsured or high-risk Denti-Cal patients have received donated surgical procedures.
- Volunteer specialists donated third molar extractions, extraction of supernumerary teeth, dentigerous cyst and lesion treatment, and other complex extractions.

4 counties have **NO** Denti-Cal dentist

Alpine	75
Sierra	176
Mariposa	1,185
Yuba	9,462



a total of **10,898** kids lack access to a Denti-Cal provider in California

What happens when kids don't get the dental care they need?



Why so few Denti-Cal dentists?

Denti-Cal reimbursement is

1/3

amount of private reimbursement

Which would you choose?



OR



More than **1/2** these ER Visits were for our littlest kids 1-5 years old



Why? **26** counties have **NO** pediatric dentist

that's **135,342** little kids



"Working with OA has been great. OA patients are wonderful people. They are extremely grateful, appreciative, and thrilled to have our help, which is rewarding for me and my staff because it makes us feel great about what we are doing to help those in need in our community."
– Matthew Mynsberge, DDS

What can you do to help?

Dental Providers: Sign up to volunteer with Operation Access! You can donate services without the reimbursement headaches!

Volunteering with OA is easy:

- All prospective patients will be referred to OA by FQHC Dental Depts. and triaged.
- You determine the number and frequency of patients you will see.
- OA patients are seen during your regular schedule at your convenience.
- OA staff works closely with your office staff and manages every patient to assure that they keep their appointments and are properly prepared with interpreters, etc.
- Contact OA Oral Surgery Program Manager – info below.

Donate to Operation Access: OA needs funding to support this new initiative. To donate: <https://operationaccess.secure.force.com/give/>

California is at the **VERY BOTTOM** for state reimbursements



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Operation Access Oral Surgery Patient Flow Chart

