

Community Health Research Exchange

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University of the Pacific

- The Pacific Center for Special Care at the University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry is demonstrating a new model of care - a "Virtual Dental Home".
- Healthy Smiles has partnered with the University of the Pacific, and Dr. Paul Glassman, to pilot this program in Orange County



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Partnership:

- Advanced Pediatric Dentistry Program at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of the University of Southern California (USC) is considered a combined University-based/hospital-based program. Advanced students spend the first 12 months of this 24-month program at the School of Dentistry.
- In the second year of the program, advanced students are assigned to one of three affiliate hospitals; including CHOC Children's and Healthy Smiles' community dental clinic (HSK).



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Joint Funding:

- 2005: the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) awarded a grant to the Advanced Pediatric Dentistry Program and Healthy Smiles to establish satellite program in Orange County
- 2010: USC and Healthy Smiles received a second award to expanded dental capacity at Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC Children's) through appointment of a 'Dental Hospitalist,' and through pediatric dental resident integration with UC Irvine Pediatric GME resident training.
- 2015: USC and Healthy Smiles received a third award to establish new access to specialty Pediatric Dentists at FQHC sites.



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Results:

- As of 2017, 19 residents have graduated from Healthy Smiles.
- As of 2015, 8 out of 15 Orange County (50%) graduates practice full-time or part-time in community dental clinics, FQHCs, and other agencies that serve a majority of low-income, uninsured and Denti-Cal patients.



Internships

- California State University, Fullerton: Partnership with the Public Health Department & Nursing Department
- University of California, Irvine: Partnership with the Public Health Department
- Biola University: Partnership with the Nursing Program
- Orange Coast College: Dental Assistant interns
- Western University: Partnership with dental schools to host third year dental students in a residency- type program

