## **Dental Care**

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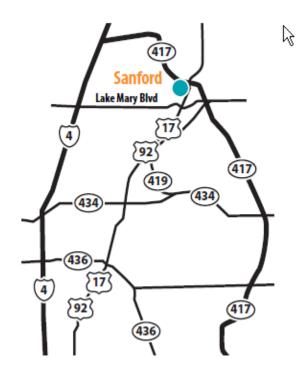
Quality healthcare, education, safety, disease prevention and community partnerships serve as the foundation for the services provided through the Florida Department of Health in Seminole County. With a focus on health equity and quality, using customer feedback and evidence-based practices, we accomplish our mission to protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts.

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#### Location

Sanford 407-665-3346 400 West Airport Boulevard, Sanford, Florida 32773







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# **Dental Care Program**

Vision: To be the Healthiest State in the Nation

#### About the Dental Care Program

The Dental Care Office offers services to pediatric and adult patients.

Our office is conveniently located inside the health department which allows for easy access to other healthcare services such as Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and Immunizations Programs.

Each room is clean, fresh and has a hand-painted mural by local muralists.

We focus on the needs of our patients. Call 407-665-3346 for information about eligibility.



#### Why is Dental Care Important?

Dental care is important to overall health and wellbeing. Research has shown a link between poor health and chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease and stroke. In pregnant women, poor oral health has also been associated with premature births and low birth weight.

#### What are Dental Sealants?

Sealants are thin, plastic coatings painted on the chewing surfaces of the back teeth.

Sealants are applied at dental offices, clinics and sometimes schools.

#### Why Get Sealants?

The most important reason for getting sealants is to avoid tooth decay.

Fluoride in toothpaste and in drinking water protects the smooth surfaces of teeth, but back teeth need extra protection. Sealants cover the chewing surfaces of the back teeth and keep out germs and food.

Having sealants put on teeth before they decay will also save time and money by avoiding fillings, crowns or caps used to fix decayed teeth.

#### Who Should Get Sealants?

Children should get sealants on their permanent molars as soon as the teeth come in before decay sets in.

### What People are Saying...

*"Everyone was very nice and respectful to me."- Dental Care customer* 

"They were very sweet and so helpful. I had a really good experience and would like to keep coming back for more visits and check ups." - Dental Care customer

#### **Available Services**

Exams X-rays Cleanings Fluoride Treatment Sealants Fillings Extractions Referrals to Community Services Emergency Dental Care

#### **Payment Options**

Medicaid DentaQuest Liberty Dental Plan MCNA (Managed Care of North America) CMS/Ped-I-Care Visa, MasterCard or Cash



**Dental Care Program Mission:** To focus on prevention for a lifetime of healthy smiles.