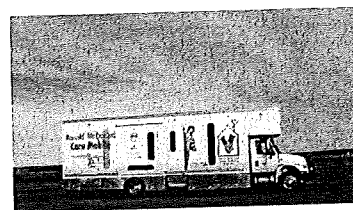


Ronald McDonald
Care Mobile
of North Dakota

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Delivering Dental Care to Underserved Children



- One of the greatest unmet needs of low-income families is access to dental care. Untreated dental problems can result in pain and infection, create difficulty chewing and eating, and interfere with concentration and learning.
- The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile Program brings dental care to children in need. It is a 40 foot state of the art mobile dental clinic owned and operated by Ronald McDonald House Charities of Bismarck.
- The Care Mobile has two dental operatories, a sterilization center, and a reception area. The Care Mobile delivers oral health services to underserved children in their own neighborhoods in the western half of North Dakota.
- The clinic provides basic dental services including exams, x-rays, caries risk assessment, oral health education, cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants, fillings pulpotomies, simple extractions and referrals as needed. The Care Mobile uses digital x-rays and electronic dental records. Bridging the Dental Gap, Inc. is the clinical service provider and they oversee the dental staff and manage the delivery of the dental services. Dental staff include a dentist, dental hygienist and dental assistant licensed and registered in North Dakota.
- The Care Mobile operates approximately 40 weeks per year and provides dental care to around 1,000 children each year. Since its launch in 2012, over 4,100 children have been served for a value of \$2M.
- The Care Mobile targets its services and coordinates with schools with greater than 40 percent of their children on the free- and reduced-fee school lunch program, Head Start Programs, reservation areas and community health centers without dental clinics. Children who do not have a regular dentist and have not seen a dentist within the past two years are eligible for services.
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