

Giving New Jersey Something to Smile About

The Campaign for New Jersey Dental School





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It is our primary belief that oral health care professionals, regardless of their specialties, have a fundamental responsibility to be of service — to their patients, to the communities in which they live and work, and to the diverse society that makes up New Jersey and the nation. This philosophy is clearly seen in the mission of the New Jersey Dental School. As the only resource of its kind in the state, the school's leadership has created an environment that teaches students to be more than qualified clinicians and more than caring people knowledgeable in the latest techniques and practices. They are taught that service to others is their primary responsibility.

— Dean Cecile A. Feldman
UMDNJ — New Jersey Dental School

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Preventing gum disease. Treating decayed or damaged teeth. Restoring them. Straightening them. Creating big smiles. That's what comes to mind when most people think about dentists and what they do. But most people rarely think about how dentists are educated or where they learn their skills.

— Cosmo V. DeSteno, DMD '69, PhD
Vice Dean
New Jersey Dental School

WHEN NEW JERSEY DENTAL SCHOOL WAS established in 1956, the science and practice of oral health care focused primarily on the diagnosis and treatment of conditions of the teeth and gums. Since that time, it has evolved into a discipline recognized for its impact on quality of life and for its importance in the prevention, detection and treatment of serious local and systemic diseases. From its inception, New Jersey Dental School (NJDS) has prepared students to be outstanding clinicians. Today, the school continues to prepare students to be outstanding clinicians but its programs focus on service to others. NJDS has evolved to be an integral part of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ), the State's major educational institution providing oral health services and research for the citizens of New Jersey.

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The two most important goals of New Jersey Dental School are to give New Jersey students an opportunity to get the best dental education and to ensure that the citizens of New Jersey have access to the best dental care.

We are already on the road to realizing these goals, but we know that there is still a long way to go before these goals are fully realized.

With our vision to drive us; our mission to guide us; and our dedicated faculty, exceptional student body, committed staff and our private and public sector partners all working together, we will realize these goals.

Together, we can really give New Jersey Something to Smile About.

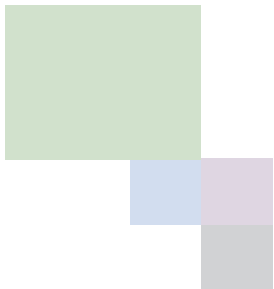
— Anthony R. Volpe, DDS '60, MS
Co-Chairman, Campaign for New Jersey Dental School

Serving the Profession and the Public



12th Avenue entrance to the new pavilion.

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NEW JERSEY DENTAL SCHOOL IS THE STATE OF New Jersey's premier resource for oral health care. It is one of eight schools affiliated with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, the country's largest health sciences university. The dental school offers a superior education for future practitioners of dentistry, continuing education programs and is the leading provider of oral health services to the underserved citizens of New Jersey. Demonstrating strong leadership and creativity, NJDS is a national model in addressing the challenges of enhancing oral health and advancing scientific knowledge.

Committed to Excellence

NJDS recognizes that the development of new dental materials, investigation of new diagnosis and treatment modalities, and the discovery of new basic science concepts are critical to advancing oral health science. Additionally, NJDS understands its commitment to attract and retain high quality students, faculty and staff while striving for broad diversity.

The cornerstone of NJDS's continuing commitment to provide the best education and dental care is the state-of-the-art new pavilion. In September 2002, NJDS began a \$45 million project to build new and improved facilities for teaching, patient care, community service and research. As evidence of this project's importance, \$26 million of initial capital was allocated through the State and University Funding Program.

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With the New Addition, We will be Able to Expand Our Capacity for Innovative Teaching and Research Programs

The new pavilion will incorporate an educational conference center, a school lounge, patient waiting areas and two floors of clinics and clinical support facilities. Following completion of the new pavilion, the school will begin renovating the existing pavilion.

- Chair-side technology that permits instant access to patient records and educational resources
- New equipment and simulation stations in relocated student dental simulation laboratory
- New and improved high-tech research facilities housing expanded, basic and clinical investigations that will attract the best and brightest scientists to NJDS
- Oral health research that contributes to overall health
- Cutting-edge research in microbial genetics, host genetics, and mucosal biology leading to discoveries about infectious diseases



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Multicultural populations in many urban centers in America suffer disproportionately from oral disease.

A state-of-the-art oral health facility in Newark — one of the most diverse communities in the country — will enable the dedicated oral health professionals of UMDNJ to deliver quality oral health care to the underserved and the underrepresented.

— Sheila L. Thorne
NJDS Board of Advisors

Taking an Active Role in Caring for the People of New Jersey



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Dental Care (2003 Academic Year):

| | New Patient Visits | Total Visits |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Newark Clinics | 8,519 patients | 59,281 visits |
| NJDS Statewide Network for Community Oral Health Care* | | 26,463 visits |

**7 off-campus sites in New Jersey: Atlantic City, Haddon Heights, Mays Landing, Newton, Northfield, Peapack, and Somerdale.*

NEW JERSEY DENTAL SCHOOL'S FOCUS IS ON teaching students that service to others is their primary responsibility. NJDS is the State's only resource meeting the oral health needs of low income minorities, migrant workers, the mentally and physically challenged, the indigent elderly and HIV/Aids patients.

NJDS has shown its commitment to Newark and the State of New Jersey with its creation of the Statewide Network for Community Oral Health Care and other outreach programs, such as the Community-Oriented Dental Education (CODE) program. CODE is an innovative program designed to expand the knowledge, skills and abilities of dental students by placing them in community-based sites. Here, under faculty supervision, they see patients and are also involved in community service projects. In addition to providing the necessary care to individuals who are not able to access services and bringing health screenings and education to thousands of residents, it is NJDS's hope that the students' experiences with community-based care may encourage them to remain in New Jersey after graduation.

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