



Rural Mobile Health Clinic

April 9, 2018 – April 11, 2018



Collaboration of Southern Nevada Health District, Oral Health Program, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, and Division of Public and Behavioral Health, and community leaders



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Nevada Counties Map



Health Services Provided

Dental

52 Clients

52 Dental Screenings

115 Dental Sealants

51 Fluoride Varnishes

Immunizations

21 Clients

33 Vaccines

Health Needs Assessment

Routine Healthcare

	Have Routine HCP	Have seen HCP in past 6 months
Tonopah	64%	78%
Goldfield	29%	55%
Pahrump	57%	71%

Tonopah participants- 55% travel over 100 miles for routine services
Goldfield participants- 70% travel over 100 miles for routine services
Pahrump participants- 50% had health services available within 50 miles

Health Needs Assessment

Reports Last Time Seen by Dentist

	Within past 6 months	More than one year	More than 5 years
Tonopah	33%	56%	11%
Goldfield	20%	70%	15%
Pahrump	<1%	62%	23%

Future Endeavors

- ❖ May trip has been planned for White Pine County (Ely and McGill).
- ❖ Another trip will be planned for June to Tonopah and other communities to be determined.
- ❖ Considering other types of services in collaboration with additional partners.
- ❖ Continue to survey health needs to determine health needs in rural areas.
- ❖ Establish funding for sustainable continuation of care based on the community needs identified by the community leaders.



Rural Mobile Health Clinic- Making Healthy Waves in the Desert

Medical Miles for Rural Smiles

From April 9-11th the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) in partnership with the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) - Oral Health Program (OHP) visited Tonopah, Goldfield, and Pahrump in a combined effort to provide much needed dental services and immunizations to rural communities in Southern Nevada. The team consisted of Antonina Capurro, DMD, MPH, MBA, Nevada State Dental Health Officer, Jessica Woods, RDH, Public Health Dental Hygienist, Sarah Lugo, MSN, RN, Senior Community Health Nurse, and Lizette Enzenauer, Administrative Assistant II.

The trip successfully delivered 115 preventive dental sealants, 51 fluoride varnishes, 52 dental screenings, oral cancer screenings, oral health and nutritional information, Medicaid enrollment paperwork, and oral hygiene supplies. In addition, 33 immunizations were provided to 21 clients.

The program will continue through the summer with two future trips planned through White Pine, Nye, and Esmeralda Counties. After a strong program launch, the partners envision expanding the number and types of services and intend to broaden established service areas.

It is the program's hope that this charter trip will be used as proof of concept to establish funding sources for permanent continuation as well as recruitment of additional licensed dental and medical staff. For inquires on how to participate/contribute, please contact Dr. Capurro, State Dental Health Officer, in the Nevada Oral Health Program at 702-486-0484.

The SNHD-DHHS, DPBH, OHP rural trips are supported in part by the Esmeralda, Nye, and White Pine Board of County Commissioners, Nye County Stakeholders, Maureen Budahl, Nye County Health Officer, Beth Ennis, Nye and Esmeralda County Community Health Nurse, Elaine Minges, Nye and Esmeralda County Community Health Worker, and Dr. David Byun, White Pine Public Health Officer.

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