



# The Smile Report

Highlighting Our Impact on Arizonans' Health & Well-being

2022, Edition 2



## Delta Dental's 2021 Community Impact Report

As a leader in oral health giving, Delta Dental is committed to expanding access to care and advancing oral health equity. In 2021, Delta Dental of Arizona invested \$1.7 million in oral health education and disease programs improving the smiles of 211,530 Arizonans.

To learn more about how Delta Dental is impacting communities across Arizona and nationally, you can explore the 2021 Delta Dental Community Impact Report.

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## Grantee Spotlight: North Country HealthCare

Our mission at Delta Dental of Arizona is

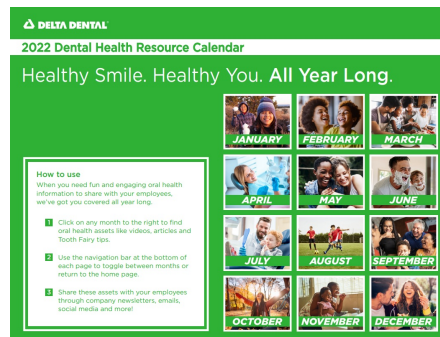
to improve lives by promoting optimal oral health. One way we work to move the needle on this is by partnering with health care clinics to increase quality access to dental care services.

North Country HealthCare, located in Flagstaff, is an innovative partner improving oral health for northern Arizonans by integrating dental care into existing medical appointments.



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## 2022 Oral Health Resource Calendar



### Share Engaging Oral Health Resources with Your Community

The interactive Oral Health Resource Calendar makes it easy for you to share fun and important oral health resources with the community members you serve. Download the calendar and click on any month to find oral health assets like videos, articles, and Tooth Fairy tips!

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## 109<sup>th</sup> National Dental Association Convention

### Delta Dental of Arizona Foundation Partners with the National Dental Association

Delta Dental of Arizona is the presenting sponsor of the NDA - Health Now Phoenix event on July 15th. At the Percy L. Julian Elementary School in Phoenix, children in the summer camp will receive oral health education, dental screenings, and fluoride varnish treatments.



We are also thrilled to sponsor 54 dental professionals to attend the upcoming convention, July 14 - 17. Dental professionals are able to earn continuing education credits and we look forward to finding more ways to give oral health professionals the resources they need to continue their education and to give back to the community.

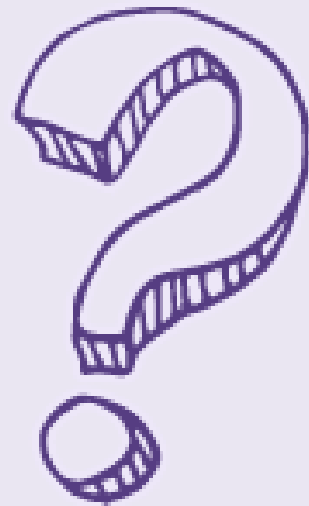
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## POP QUIZ TIME

**Question:** Brushing your teeth twice a day is enough to maintain good oral hygiene? True or False.

**Answer:** False. While brushing your teeth at least twice a day is essential to good oral hygiene, brushing alone only removes up to 70% of bad bacteria and can't protect your teeth from the buildup of plaque. Brushing your tongue, flossing and using antibacterial mouthwashes are essential parts of optimal oral health care.

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## Volunteer Spotlight:

**Carol Gonzalez,  
Senior Human Resources Generalist,  
Delta Dental of Arizona**

Meet Carol Gonzalez, our senior human resources generalist extraordinaire! To support children in need of dental services, Carol volunteered at a recent Team Smile outreach event with other DDAZ associates and the Phoenix Coyotes.

"I love volunteering with Delta Dental because volunteering gives me an opportunity to make a difference and to

make someone smile," says Carol.

*Carol Gonzalez (front) volunteering at Team Smile, 2022*



## Board Member Spotlight:

### **Julia Wacloff, Board Member Delta Dental of Arizona Foundation**

Julia Wacloff, RDH, joined the Delta Dental of Arizona Foundation board in 2022. She has over 20 years of experience in various public health settings providing needs assessment, policy development and quality assurance at local, state and national levels.

Currently, Julia works with ADHS leadership and management on a variety of public health functions as related to oral health and we are delighted to have her oral health expertise on our Foundation board.

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