



SMILE ON 65+

SMILE ON 65+'s mission is to improve the overall well-being of older adults in Tennessee by removing barriers to oral health care through awareness, affordability, and accessibility.

SMILE ON 65+'s vision is that Tennessee's older adults have the opportunity to unlock a vibrant life through a healthy smile.



Oral Health and Overall Health

What happens in your mouth doesn't stay in your mouth!

Poor Oral Health Can Contribute to:

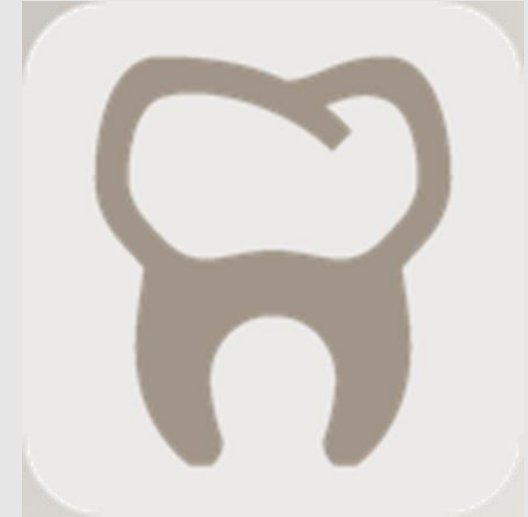
- ❖ **Cardiovascular Disease:** increased risk for heart attack or stroke
- ❖ **Respiratory Issues:** increased risk for pneumonia
- ❖ **Malnutrition:** inability to chew limits the foods you can eat
- ❖ **Infections:** bacteria in the bloodstream can increase risk of infections



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Just Consider:



- ❖ 1 in 5 older adults have untreated tooth decay
- ❖ 68% of older adults have gum disease
- ❖ 1 in 5 older adults have lost all their teeth
- ❖ 47 % of Medicare beneficiaries don't have any form of dental coverage
- ❖ Among Medicare beneficiaries who used dental services, the avg. out-of-pocket cost for dental care was \$874
- ❖ Every year, more than 2 million people visit the emergency room due to oral health complications.

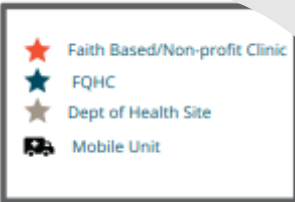




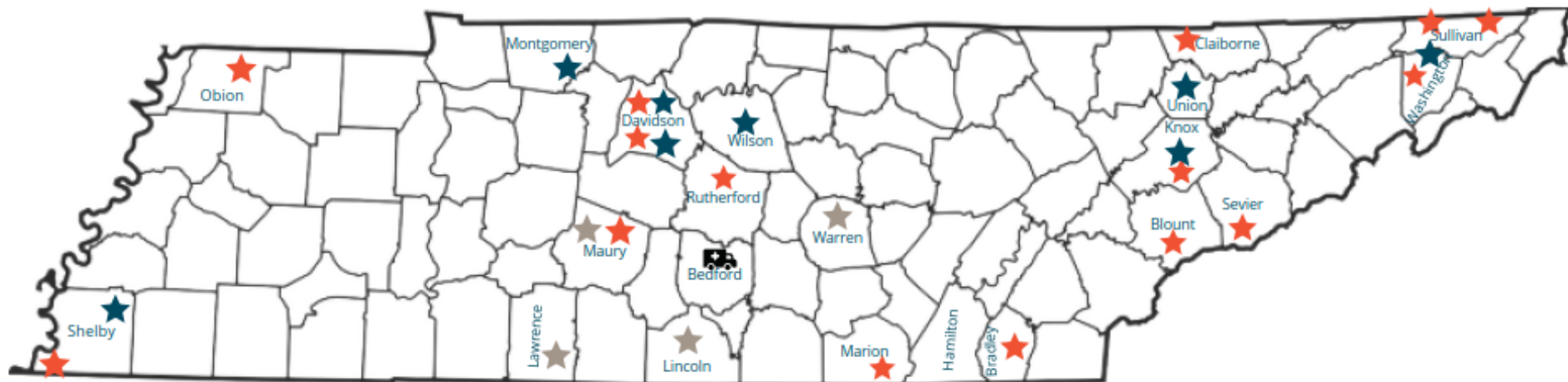
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interfaith dental
A smile changes everything.



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SMILE ON 65+ West Region Clinics:

- ★ Church Health – Memphis: (901) 272-0003
- ★ Christ Community Health Services – Memphis
Broad Avenue: (901) 842-3171
Frayser: (901) 842-3172
Hickory Hill: (901) 842-3173
Raleigh: (901) 842-3174
Third Street: (901) 842-3175
- ★ Reelfoot Rural Ministries – Obion: (731) 538-9970

SMILE ON 65+ Middle Region Clinics:

- ★ Interfaith Dental Clinic – Nashville: (615) 329-4790
- ★ Interfaith Dental Clinic – Murfreesboro: (615) 225-4141
- ★ Matthew Walker Comprehensive Health Centers-
Nashville: (615) 324-9698
Clarksville: (931) 920-4999
- ★ Neighborhood Health Centers – 4 locations
in Nashville, Lebanon : (615) 227-3000
- 🚚 Meharry Mobile Site - Shelbyville: (931) 684-6772
- ★ Tennessee Department of Health –
Columbia: (931) 388-5757
Lawrenceburg: (931) 762-9406
Lincoln County: (931) 433-3231
McMinnville: (931) 473-8468
- ★ Duck River Dental Outreach - Columbia: (931) 388-6410
- ★ Meharry Medical College Dental School: (615) 327-6669

SMILE ON 65+ East Region Clinics:

- ★ Karis Dental Clinic – Cleveland: (423) 457-8024
- ★ Smiles, Inc. – South Pittsburg: (423) 228-3077
- ★ Healing Hands – Bristol: (423) 652-0260
- ★ Keystone – Johnson City: (423) 232-7919
- ★ Interfaith Health Clinic – Knoxville: (865) 243-3033
- ★ Friends in Need – Kingsport: (423) 224-5697
- ★ Johnson City Community Health
Center - Johnson City: (423) 929-6919
- ★ Trinity Health Ministries – Maryville: (865) 681-0770
- ★ Mountain Hope Good Shepherd – Sevierville:
(865) 774-7684
- ★ Servolution Dental - Speedwell, TN: (423)-806-6039
- ★ Cherokee Health System – Knoxville (866) 231-4477
- ★ Cherokee Health System - Maynardville (866) 231-4477



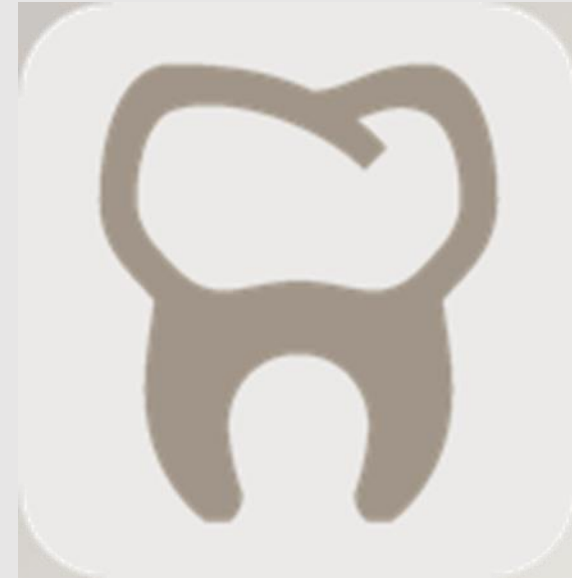
Eligible Patients

- 65+ years of age
- Household income at or below 200% current Federal Poverty Level
- Tennessee Resident
- Dentally uninsured or limitedly insured



Covered Services

- Emergency
- Preventive
- Restorative
- Diagnostic
- Oral Surgery
- Periodontal
- Crowns
- Removable Prosthodontics
- Root Canals



Client Fees

- \$25 facility fee per visit
Can be waived or adjusted at the discretion of the clinic
- Patients are expected to contribute a **maximum of \$100** for removable prosthetic fabrication, which includes all steps needed in that process.
- Fee scale for non-covered services



Transportation

Vouchers

List of resources

Refer to CDHC

- Assessment for suitability





Assessment Questions related to Oral Health:

- ❖ Do you feel any pain in your mouth and/or teeth?
- ❖ Are you limited in what you can eat? (Such as soft foods only)
- ❖ Do you feel that the appearance of your mouth and teeth affects your quality of life?



Oral Health Resources for Older Adults in TN

- ❖ Medicare Advantage Plans often include Dental Benefits
- ❖ Adult TennCare benefit for Dual-Eligibles
- ❖ Safety Net/Charitable Care Clinics

<https://www.tnoralhealth.org/safety-net-directory-2>

- ❖ **SMILE ON 65+**



June Hembree came to us after not seeing a dentist for 15 years due to cost and no dental insurance. When she came, she wanted only one tooth pulled because she knew she could not afford dentures or partials. She eventually received a complete lower denture, and an upper partial as a result of the Smile On program.



Questions?



Thank you!

 **Hotline:** 1-800-509-6055

 **Web:** smileon65plus.com



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