

# **Metropolitan Washington, DC Dental Clinics Providing Reduced Fee Or Free Dental Care**

**Please Note:**

Some of the clinics listed have “specialized missions” (serving the homeless only, serving those without any dental insurance, serving those on Medicaid, etc.) The differentiating missions are in bold typeface.

Before sending a patient to one of the listed health care centers, call to confirm information is accurate. Patient regulations, payment methods, phone numbers, hours of operations, etc. are changing frequently.

This is only a partial listing of local reduced fee dental clinics. Over time, as we continue our research, the list will be expanded.

# **District of Columbia**

## **SPANISH CATHOLIC CENTER, Inc.**

Dental Clinic

1618 Monroe St. N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20010

Telephone Number: 202-939-2400 ext. 925

Appointment Number: 202-939-2400 ext.922

Hours of Operation: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
and Friday: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Thursday: 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month: 9:00AM to 1:00 PM

[WWW.CatholicCharitiesDC.ORG](http://WWW.CatholicCharitiesDC.ORG)

The Spanish Catholic Center (Washington, DC location) provides a full complement of family dental services including: cleanings, x-rays, dental hygiene education, fluoride treatments, emergency visits, extractions, restorative (including crowns), pediatric and adult root canals, and dentures. The updated modern clinic, established in 1975, has 5 operatories, one full-time salaried dentist, the equivalent of 1.1 volunteer dentists, one full time hygienist, volunteer hygienists, 3 full-time salaried dental assistants and 2 receptionist/front desk employees. Volunteer specialists treat patients at the clinic as well as off-site at their own private office. The clinic gets approximately 6,000 total visits per year and 2,100 new patient visits.

**The mission of the Spanish Catholic Center Dental Clinic is to provide dental services to low income, uninsured patients in the DC area. Therefore, the clinic does not accept patients with private dental insurance or Medicaid.** The sliding scale fee program requires photo ID, current address and employment income verification, if applicable. New patients are given up to 90 days to bring the verifying documents.

Emergency “walk- ins” are accepted for a period of one half hour beginning at 8:30am and 1:00pm. There is a waiting list for some specialists.

There is always a great need for dental volunteers at the clinic.

## **MARY'S CENTER FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD CARE**

3912 Georgia Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20011

Tel: 202-545-8023

Hours of Operation: Monday - Saturday: 8:30am - 5:00pm

[HTTP://WWW.MarysCenter.ORG](http://www.MarysCenter.ORG)

Mary's Center provides comprehensive family dental care including sedation, orthodontics, sealants, operative, root canals, prosthetics, extractions, and periodontics. Their new clinic, opened in March, 2011 has five operatories and three salaried dentists. In addition, they are capable of treating homebound patients and outreach needs with mobile dentistry equipment.

**Fees range from Medicaid rates to free, depending on the patient's income level. Patients with dental insurance and/or those on Medicaid are accepted for treatment.** Acceptance in the sliding scale program requires identification papers (photo ID, passport, resident card, etc.), proof of address (lease agreement, utility bills, etc.), and employment verification (pay stubs, income taxes if a business owner, etc.).

Emergency "walk ins" are accepted for a period of one hour beginning at 8:30am and 1:00pm. Every thirty days a new "wait list" is established for appointments.

## **SOME DENTAL CLINIC**

60 O Street, NW

Washington, DC 20001

Telephone number: (202) 797-8806

Hours of operation: M – F 8:00am – 4:00pm

[Http://SOME.Org](http://SOME.Org)

**The dental clinic provides both emergency and comprehensive oral care to individuals who are homeless staying in a shelter, living in transitional housing or enrolled in a residential drug treatment program.** The clinic provides preventative dental services, basic care, restorations, root canals, extractions and removable prostheses. The clinic accepts the first 3 emergency patients that present at 7:45 am each morning. The clinic has 1 dentist in attendance on Mondays and Wednesdays, 2 dentists on Tuesdays, and 3 dentists on Thursday and Fridays. The clinic has 4 operatories that are fully equipped with digital radiography and current technology.

The SOME Clinic accepts DC Medicaid Insurance, Chartered Medicaid & Alliance, and United Healthcare Medicaid & Alliance as forms of payment. They do not accept Part A or B Medicare Insurance as it does not cover dental treatment. For individuals with no insurance coverage, fees are paid out of pocket and set on a sliding fee scale. Patients who wish to receive care must arrive at the clinic at 7:45 am and complete the paperwork to be eligible for appointments. A valid insurance card is required and those individuals enrolled in drug treatment programs must provide a verification letter from the program to receive dental services. The Clinic Director is Dr. Jacqueline You.

## **HOWARD UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY** **DENTAL CLINIC**

600 W Street N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20060

Telephone number: (202) 806-0007

After Hours Telephone number: (202) 865-6100

Hours of Operation: M – F 10am - 5pm

W,Th 5:30pm – 7pm (the Evening Clinic)

**The Howard University College of Dentistry, the only dental school located in the Washington Metropolitan area, provides an opportunity for individuals of all ages seeking dental treatment to receive high quality care provided by students and post-doctoral residents who are guided by dentist/professors. Appointment times may be significantly longer than visits to a private dentist. However, fees may be reduced to approximately 50% of the average Washington, DC fee.**

General dental and specialized services include: diagnostic, preventive, restorative, fixed prothodontics, removable prothodontics, implants, oral surgery, oral pathology, orthodontics, periodontics, endodontics, and pedodontics. The clinic also serves medically compromised and special needs individuals. The clinic accepts DC Medicaid, Chartered Medicaid & Alliance, and United Healthcare Medicaid & Alliance as forms of payment.

Patients with complex cases or those who don't have the time to be seen by students can receive state of the art care in the Faculty Practice. However these fees are not reduced.

## **ELIZABETH TAYLOR MEDICAL CENTER**

1701 14th Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20009

Administrative Phone: (202) 797-3500

Appointments Phone: (202) 745-7000

Hours of Operation:      M, Th    8 am – 5 pm  
   T, W    8 am – 7 pm  
   F        8 am – 12 noon

<http://www.Whitman-Walker.org>

**The Elizabeth Taylor Dental Clinic serves greater Washington’s diverse urban community, including individuals who face barriers to accessing care, and with a special expertise in lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and HIV care. To be a dental patient you must first be a patient within their medical system. Fees are based on a sliding scale (including free) depending on income level. Patients are accepted with or without insurance coverage. Medicaid is accepted and the clinic will apply for it on behalf of the patient. DC Alliance (the DC “safety net insurance”) is also accepted.**

The clinic has two operatories and expects to add a third by the end of 2012. There is one paid staff dentist and one hygienist. A full range of dental services is provided: restorative, oral surgery, preventative, endodontic, and fixed or removable prosthetics. Urgent care slots are open every day at 8 am, but are usually scheduled ahead of time. The Elizabeth Taylor Medical Center and Max Robinson Center are administered jointly.

## **MAX ROBINSON CENTER**

2301 ML KING, JR. Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20020

Administrative Phone: (202) 678-8877

Appointment Phone: (202) 745-7000

Hours of Operation: M 8 am – 7 pm  
T 8 am – 6 pm  
W, Th 8 am – 5 pm  
F 8 am – 1 pm

[HTTP://www.Whitman-Walker.org](http://www.Whitman-Walker.org)

**The Max Robinson Center Dental Clinic serves greater Washington’s diverse urban community, including individuals who face barriers to accessing care, and with a special expertise in lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and HIV care. To be a dental patient, it is necessary to be a patient in their comprehensive medical system. Fees are based on a sliding scale (including free treatment) depending on income level. Patients are accepted with or without insurance coverage. Medicaid is accepted and the clinic will apply for it on behalf of the patient. DC Alliance (the DC “safety net insurance”) is also accepted.**

The clinic has two operatories. There is one paid staff dentist. A full range of dental services is provided: restorative, oral surgery, preventative, endodontic, and fixed or removable prosthetics. Urgent care slots are open every day at 8 am, but are usually scheduled ahead of time. The Max Robinson Center and Elizabeth Taylor Medical Center are administered jointly.

**Montgomery County  
Maryland**

## **SPANISH CATHOLIC CENTER, Inc.**

Dental Clinic

12247 Georgia Avenue

Silver Spring, Maryland 20902

Appointment Numbers: 301-933-0868

301-933-0929

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:30AM – 5:00PM

[WWW.CatholicCharitiesDC.ORG](http://WWW.CatholicCharitiesDC.ORG)

The Spanish Catholic Center (Montgomery County location) provides a full complement of family dental services including: cleanings, x-rays, dental hygiene education, fluoride treatments, emergency visits, extractions, restorative (including crowns), pediatric and adult root canals, and dentures. The updated modern clinic, established in 2010, has 4 operatories, the equivalent of one full-time salaried dentist, one part time hygienist, 3 full time salaried dental assistants and 1 receptionist/front desk employee.

**The mission of the Spanish Catholic Center Dental clinic is to provide dental services to low income, uninsured patients in the DC area. It is preferred that patients be referred from The Primary Care Coalition of Montgomery County, a medical system for uninsured Montgomery County residents.** The sliding scale fee program requires photo ID, current address and employment income verification, if applicable. New patients are given up to 90 days to bring the verifying documents.

Emergency “walk-ins” are accepted for a period of one half hour beginning at 8:30AM and 1:00PM. Only two or three “walk ins” can be accepted each day. There is a waiting list for new patients.

There is always a great need for dental volunteers at the clinic.

## **COMMUNITY OF HOPE**

Dental Clinic

Multiple Locations, View Website for Full Listing

Appointment Numbers: 202-232-6989

[www.CommunityofHopeDC.org](http://www.CommunityofHopeDC.org)

Community of Hope offers affordable, comfortable, and convenient dental services for patients of all ages. Services include: comprehensive oral exams, dental x-rays and cleanings, fillings, sealants, dentures, extractions, root canal treatment, and crowns.

Community of Hope accepts many health insurances and offers a sliding fee scale as well as payment plans.

The mission of Community of Hope is to provide direct services to families, advocate for system change, and collaborate with others and utilize a person-centered, strengths-based, integrated approach to our work.

# APPENDIX

An example of a sliding scale fee system and the verification documents necessary for patient participation – Mary's Center Maternal and Child Care