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Dental Cleanings and Fluoride Treatments Clinics Coming in March and April

Effingham IL – The Effingham County Health Department (ECHD) is pleased to announce 2 more clinics with dental cleanings, fluoride and Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) treatments for qualifying adults on Mondays, March 3 and April 14. To qualify for these clinics and services, you must be an Effingham County resident or receive WIC services through ECHD, 20 years or older, have Medicaid or no insurance, be income eligible, and have not been to the dentist in a year. There is currently no charge to those who qualify for these services. The clinics are offered thanks to the services of two Public Health Dental Hygienists, Ashley Pryor, RDH, PHDH, and Joanna Laffey, RDH, PHDH.

Remember to qualify, you **MUST BE**:

- Resident of Effingham County resident or receive WIC services through ECHD
- Age 20 or over
- Medicaid or No Insurance
- Income Eligible
- AND have not had a dental exam in the past year.

To see if you qualify and to schedule, call ECHD at 217-342-9237 and ask for April; paperwork will need to be completed by phone or in person prior to your visit.

This service has been made possible by grants from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the Illinois Primary Health Care Association (IPHCA) as well as the extremely generous donations of supplies and equipment from Patterson Dental and Sarah Bush Lincoln Dental Services. Patterson Dental has donated various supplies such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, denture brushes, and dental floss. Sarah Bush Lincoln Dental Services has contributed dental equipment needed to make this service possible.

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