

# Panhandle

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## Public Health District

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### ***Free dental care May 31 and June 1 in Gordon and Sidney for children ages 3-21***

University of Nebraska Medical Center College (UNMC) College of Dentistry students, accompanied by dental residents and faculty members, will be in Gordon and Sidney on May 31 and June 1 for Dental Days. This is an opportunity for children ages 3 to 21 with little or no dental insurance to receive care at no cost. Children will be seen at Gordon Memorial Hospital and Life Smiles in Sidney.

“This will be the 20<sup>th</sup> year Dental Days has been offered in the Panhandle and providing important care for area kiddos. There are several partners that bring this event to fruition including local dentists, school nurses, hospitals, community volunteers, Open Plains Transit, and UNMC,” said Janelle Visser of Panhandle Public Health District (PPHD). Visser is one of the coordinators behind the annual event.

- If you are interested in getting an appointment for your child at the **Gordon** location, contact Ashlei Tausan at 605-786-6147.
- If you are interested in getting an appointment for your child at the **Sidney** location, a prescreening must be conducted by May 10 at one of the following dental offices:
  - Bridgeport - Dr. Iske
  - Chappell - Dr. Dickey
  - Sidney - Dr. Dornbier

Transportation for Dental Days is available at no cost. This can be set up by calling Open Plains Transit 308-761-8747 by May 17.

For additional information about dental health or Dental Days, visit [www.pphd.ne.gov](http://www.pphd.ne.gov). Panhandle Public Health District is working together to improve the health, safety, and quality of life for all who live, learn, work, and play in the Panhandle. Our vision is that we are a healthier and safer Panhandle Community. Visit our website [www.pphd.ne.gov](http://www.pphd.ne.gov).