

ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM DENTAL HEALTH AIDE THERAPIST TRAINING PROGRAM

March 2010 Monthly Report

A day at the Zoo for the Students



Back row L-R: Jana Schuerch of Kiana, Kate Kohl of Bethel, Tony Stevens of Hydaburg, Elsie Patrick of Toksook Bay
Front row L-R: Shannon Hardy of Ft Yukon and Trisha Patton of Napakiak

Anchorage - ANTHC/ UW DENTEX Training Center

DHAT 1st year Student activities

Classes held this month were:

- Infection Control
- General Health Sciences
- Radiology
- Dental Assisting
- Literature Review

Pictured below is 2nd year DHAT Student Erik Linduska taking a dental impression from a Typodont tooth model with Dr. K. Anthony Bolin Instructing.



Bethel - Yuut Elitnaurviat Dental Training Clinic

DHAT 2nd year Students activities included:

- Dr. K. Anthony Bolin reviewed Dental Materials and Dental Assisting with the DHAT students as pictured with student Erik Linduska. He also had the students taking impressions and making models of their classmate's teeth.
- Phylicia Wilde and Eric Linduska went to Tuntutuliak with Dr. Anthony Brusca the week of March 7, 2010 to provide dental services to the residents of the village. This was the first of several village trips planned for the year.
- The students were on Spring Break from March 13 - 28, 2010.

Profiled this month is Dr. Philip Weinstein

Pictured below is Dr. Weinstein with the story rug used in his class and a young friend



Dr. Philip Weinstein graduated from Queens College of the City University of New York with his BA. He followed that by obtaining his MA and PHD at the University of Kentucky. He is a licensed psychologist in Washington and has worked with the University of Washington Graduate School and the Dental Public Health

Science programs since 1977. He also has been involved with the Dental Fears Clinic at the University of Washington since it began and has pioneered ways of working with fearful dental patients. He is well published, received many awards, and is well known internationally. He now makes yearly visits to our Anchorage Based Training site, and also to the Yuut Elitnaurviat Dental Training Clinic to teach and work with the students on Motivational Interviewing Techniques for oral health promotion, as well as teaching behavior modification techniques for working with children and fearful adults. He is passionate about changing the way dental professionals have traditionally provided dental care to underserved populations. He skillfully instills our students with the knowledge and tools needed to provide compassionate and effective dental care in which the patient feels safe and well cared for. We thank him for his continuing dedication and commitment to this program, our students and the Alaska Native rural communities we serve.

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