ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM DENTAL HEALTH AIDE THERAPIST TRAINING PROGRAM

September 2010 Monthly Report



Above we welcomed Sian Bolton, Churchill Fellow of 2010, Director of Service Improvement in Wales along with Dr. Ken Glifort, Deputy Director of Alaska Area Indian Health Service and Chief Medical Officer, also pictured are Dr. Williard, and DHAT student Kate Kohl from Bethel.

Anchorage - ANTHC/ UW DENTEX Training Center

- This month saw a special visitor, Dr. Tamara Kay-Tibby, Pediatric Dentist from Quincy, Florida spent time with us and then went to the Bethel training clinic for a few days.
- The majority of this month's students were working in the clinic reviewing and practicing cavity preparations and restorations on mannequins, local anesthesia, and radiology.
- The students attended a week long Tobacco Treatment Counselor course hosted by the ANTHC Nicotine Research and Control Department.
- Throughout September students also completed rotations with the Southcentral Foundation dental providers doing screening exams at a local Head Start Facility.

Bethel - Yuut Elitnaurviat Dental Training Clinic



Photo: Corrina Cadzow, Chelsea Shoemaker, Dr. Robert Allen, Phylicia Wilde, and Bonnie Johnson at the Bethel Senior Center to provide dental screenings.

- Dr. Tom Beckman, Pediatric Dentist, provided clinical instruction and supervision for the students at the YEDTC from August 30 to September 10. During his rotation, he was able to build on the students' existing skills of working with pediatric patients.
- Dr. T.K. Tibby, Pediatric Dentist, visited the clinic, September 8-10, to observe the students working with pediatric patients. Dr. Tibby is scheduled to provide clinical instruction in Pediatric Dentistry at YEDTC next year.
- The students were on fall break from September 13-17.
- Bonnie Johnson, Phylicia Wilde, Ferdella Sharp, and Erik Linduska completed their second week of village travel the weeks of September 20 and 27 with Dr. Anthony Brusca in Pilot Station.
- On September 29, four of the students and Dr. Robert Allen went to the Senior Center
 in Bethel to provide dental screenings. This is the third year that one of the students
 has selected to work with the seniors as part of their community dental health project.
 This year, Phylicia Wilde from Mountain Village chose to work with the seniors.
 Phylicia also provided one-on-one instruction to the elders in residential living facilities
 throughout the year.

Profiled this month is Dr. Anthony Bolin



Dr. Bolin has been involved for three years with our program in both the Anchorage and Bethel training centers. He is well liked by all and we deeply appreciate his commitment to this program.

Dr. Bolin is an Associate Professor and Graduate
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