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Strong Area Health and Dental Center receives grant from Northeast Delta Dental Foundation

WATERVILLE – The Northeast Delta Dental Foundation recently awarded a grant to Strong Area Health and Dental Center, one of the 11 practices of HealthReach Community Health Centers. The award will assist in the purchase of a new panoramic x-ray system integrated into the electronic dental records of the practice. "We appreciate the Foundation's support to provide state of the art equipment for the patients in our rural community," said President/CEO of HealthReach, Connie Coggins.

"There is a tremendous shortage of oral health care in Maine, particularly in rural communities. Strong Dental received support for its startup in 2003 from federal, state and community partners and continues to attract generous benefactors to assist us in providing sensitive, patient-centered services to people of all ages," shared Coggins. Strong Dental provides comprehensive dental services from cleanings to fillings to restorations. The Dental Center accepts all insurances, including MaineCare, and also offers sliding fee services to people who qualify based on family size and income.

In addition to providing dental services to patients, Strong Dental takes a leadership role in community education and prevention initiatives. Dental staff participate in school and pre-school education programs. The center is also committed to the education of future dentists and hygienists and providing clinical rotation opportunities at the center.

"We are happy we are able to support Strong Area Health and Dental Center to help improve access to oral health care in rural Maine and commend them on their work to make high quality health care available to these communities," said Kathleen Walker, treasurer of the Northeast Delta Dental Foundation.

Strong Area Health and Dental Center is one of 11 Federally Qualified Health Centers of HealthReach Community Health Centers located throughout Central and Western Maine, dedicated to providing high quality health care to individuals from birth through retirement and beyond. We also assist people with applications for programs that help with the cost of health care, medications and laboratory services and enrollment in the new Health Insurance Marketplace. HealthReach is a private, non-profit organization that has been serving the communities of Maine for 39 years.

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