
Mr. T. & Dr. L. Volunteer Dentists

Daniel's family is originally from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. His mother has found work in the US but his family not yet entitled to Medicaid or Medicare. At only six years old, all of Daniel's teeth were decayed and his parents were advised to have him treated in a hospital under general anesthesia; but that was far beyond their resources. Daniel had extreme pain for over 11 months that limited him to eating foods that weren't "too strong" for his teeth, forcing him to be on a constant regime of pain killers. Thankfully, Donated Dental Services (DDS) came to his aid.

With assistance from an interpreter from the Yale Law School's Immigration Clinic, Daniel's parents' gratitude is translated through this thank-you note.

"We want you to know how grateful we are for your help. We were extremely worried about Daniel's health and were at a loss as to how to find care for him. Both volunteer dentists that Donated Dental Services referred us to were very nice and helpful. Dr. L. helped ease Daniel's fears and did an amazing job during the operation.

We are so glad to see Dan healthy again! And we are also making sure he is learning all the good habits for his teeth's health in the future. You will be glad to know that Dan is an excellent student who just finished first grade and is looking forward to college so he can, "do whatever I want to do in life."

Once again, thank you so very much for your help, your patience and your dedication. You have made a huge difference in Daniel's life."