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RE: **Senior Dental Cleaning and Dental Screening**

Senior Mobile Dental is a non-profit organization focused on bringing dental hygiene services to the elderly population of Colorado. They are dedicated to promoting the importance of oral health in preventing many of the diseases that result from years of poor dental hygiene. Registered Dental Hygienist Michelle Vacha will be coming to the Roaring Fork Valley in October, 2012 to administer dental cleanings and conduct comprehensive screening to seniors in our community. The service will offer seniors the opportunity to be seen by a Registered Dental Hygienist who travels between area Senior Centers, bringing equipment and instruments to our location to conduct professional dental cleanings and oral screenings. The dates and location of service are:

Tuesday, Oct 2nd Rifle Senior Center

Wednesday, Oct 3rd El Jebel Senior Center

Thursday, Oct 4th Mesa Vista Assisted Living in Battlement Mesa

Friday, Oct 5th E Dene Moore Nursing Home in Rifle

Some oral conditions that will be screened include:

- 1 Dental decay
- 2 Oral cancer or suspicious lesions
- 3 Gingivitis (gum tissue infection)
- 4 Periodontitis (jaw bone infection)
- 5 Dental infection
- 6 Ill fitting dentures or partial dentures

There will be a cost associated with the treatment \$85.00 but there are scholarships available which would make the cost \$35.00 for eligible clients (under the poverty guidelines) and her findings will be shared with your dentist.

Ms. Vacha will be scheduling appointments from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day she is in the valley and we are working jointly with other agencies, Pitkin County Senior Center, Eagle County Healthy Communities, Mesa Vista Assisted Living and E. Dene Moore Nursing Home to schedule appointments. **Please call Judy Martin at (970) 945-9191 extension 3061 to schedule an appointment during her visit to our valley.**