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Sun Life to open new pediatric dental office in Casa Grande

CASA GRANDE - From as early as birth, the health of our mouths and our dental hygiene can have a large effect on our lives and so many young residents of Pinal County go without care until it's already too late.

That's why Sun Life Family Health Center is excited to announce that this April, it will open its twelfth office to provide the much-needed service of child dental care to Casa Grande and surrounding communities. The new office will be located at 1864 E. Florence Blvd., Suite #1, Casa Grande. Hours will be Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.



Sun Life offers both insured and the underserved and uninsured populations of Pinal County the benefit of great health and dental care. Sliding fee is available to qualifying individuals, and payment plans are available for private pay patients without insurance.

On staff at the new office will be Drs. Tyler Roberts (DDS) and Maryam Mahmood (DMD). Dr. Roberts is a pediatric dentist, and Dr. Mahmood is trained to provide dental service for both children and adults.

Dr. Roberts comes to Sun Life after a year working as a public health pediatric dentist for the Chickasaw Nation in Ada, Okla. He earned his Doctorate of dental medicine in 2008 from the University of Pittsburgh, in Pennsylvania. In 2011, he completed his certificate in pediatric dentistry from the Lutheran Medical Center in Providence, RI.

He is a member of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, American Dental Association, Arizona Dental Association, Southern Arizona Dental Association and an associate affiliate member of Children Rehabilitative Services.

He has also taught clinical training for pediatric dental residents for four years at the Lutheran Medical Center in Providence, RI.

Dr. Roberts speaks English, Portuguese, and Spanish. When not at the office, he enjoys time with his family, gardening, sports, and hiking.

Dr. Mahmood earned her Bachelor's in biology from Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz., in 2009, and then completed her doctorate from Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral

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Health in 2015. She also earned her Certificate of Public Health in 2015 from A.T. Still University School of Health Management.

Much of Dr. Mahmood's clinical experience is based on providing comprehensive dental treatment, restorative and surgical procedures to underserved populations of all ages.

She is also very active in her field developing community dental programs. She was a founding member and served as clinic manager and project coordinator for the CARE Partnership Community Dental Clinic from 2007-10. She remains on the board of directors for the CARE Partnership Board member. She also served as president from 2011-12 for the American Association of Public Health Dentistry, ASDOH Chapter, and as president of the Special Care Dentistry Association, ASDOH Chapter from 2013-14. She has also served as committee chair for the Give Kids a Smile committee, and helped to organize a school-wide community health fair to treat over 500 disadvantaged children.

To make an appointment, call Sun Life Pediatric Dentistry at (520) 350-7560, or visit Sun Life's website at www.SunLifeFamilyHealth.org for more information.

ABOUT SUN LIFE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER

Sun Life Family Health Center is Pinal County's largest primary care provider, and was one of the first community health centers in the state to have received accreditation from the Joint Commission (the gold standard of quality in healthcare). Sun Life serves both insured and uninsured Pinal County patients, and provides health services in family practice, dentistry, women's health, pediatrics, diabetes education, and much more.

Sun Life has several area family practice offices, located in Apache Junction, Casa Grande, Coolidge, Eloy, Maricopa, Oracle, San Manuel. The Casa Grande general health facility (located on N. Arizola Road) houses management operations, as well as family dentistry, and provides in-house radiology, pharmacy and laboratory services. The Center for Women & the Center for Children on Florence Boulevard in Casa Grande offer women's wellness/maternity care and pediatric care (respectively). Our San Manuel family practice also offers radiology, diabetes education, and pharmacy services. Our Eloy, San Manuel, and Apache Junction locations offer family practice and a public pharmacy. Apache Junction also houses pediatrics and ob/gyn services. Coolidge, Maricopa, and Oracle are all family practice locations, with Maricopa adding pediatrics in September 2015.

To learn more about office locations and hours, visit www.sunlifefamilyhealth.org. Sun Life...excellence in health care.

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