## Patient & Family Guide

## Veterans' Oral Health Program

Information for Veterans and Their Families



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Proper daily mouth care is important to your oral health. Good oral health is part of a healthy life. Studies have shown that poor oral health is linked to stroke, heart disease, and infections. It can also cause discomfort, bad breath, and trouble chewing.

The Oral Health Program was developed to make sure that each veteran gets the best oral care. You will have an oral health assessment when you are first admitted to the Camp Hill Veterans' Memorial Building. After your first assessment, you will then have one each year. You will also have regular dental check-ups. You or your family will be asked to buy some supplies, such as toothpaste, a toothbrush, and denture cleaning tablets and a denture adhesive (such as Poly-Grip®), if needed.

We may also recommend a special toothbrush called the Collis Curve<sup>™</sup> toothbrush. Please ask your nurse if you would like more information about this toothbrush.

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Good oral health = Good health!

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