QCC Offers Free Dental Care for Seniors and Veterans

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WORCESTER - Free dental care is available for seniors at Quinsigamond Community College (QCC) through a partnership with the Central Massachusetts Agency on Aging (CMAA).

QCC's Dental Clinic offers culturally sensitive, professional preventative dental services for older adults, as well as a chance for QCC students to gain hands-on, real world experience working with senior patients. Adults must be 55 years of age or older and reside in Central Massachusetts to take advantage of this service.

The free service covers cleanings and exams, prescription fluoride, as well as gowns and masks for the students.

Due to increased student enrollment in the upcoming Fall 2023 semester along with support from the grant, the clinic will be able to increase the number of patients it can accommodate.

"A lot of seniors have complicated medical situations, which is good for the students to learn about. It's also great to see the student and the patient develop a relationship. You can see that the patients just love the students," said Dental Clinic Operations and Facilities Manager Sheryl Ficorilli.

Veterans are also eligible to receive free care at the clinic. Services that include assessment, complete prophylaxis, toothbrush, education, fluoride treatment, BW x-rays or FMX as prescribed, are \$20 for students and children and \$25 for adults.

For more information or an appointment, call (508) 854-4306. More information is available on the QCC website.