

Participate in Montreal's first **Sharing Smiles Day**

A message from Gabrielle Lemay and Tobias Meiszingler (DMD 2014)

Hi everyone,

Earlier this year, Tobias Meiszingler and I (Gabrielle Lemay) gave all the classes a short presentation about **Oral Health, Total Health** which is a non-profit organization. For more info: www.ohth.ca.

Chapters of this organization at dental and hygiene schools in Ontario run annual "**Sharing Smiles Day**" events. We would like to run the first Montreal version of a Sharing Smiles Day where dental students will have the opportunity to interact with persons who have special needs and also assist dentists who will be providing oral hygiene instruction/demonstrations.

We are proud to announce that we have found a venue and a date for Montreal's very first Sharing Smiles Day!

Here are the details:

When: April 7th, from 10:30 am to 3pm (April is Canada's national oral health awareness month! - http://www.cda-adc.ca/en/cda/media_room/health_month/)

Where: Miriam Home, 8160 chemin Royden in Ville Mont-Royal (walking distance from Metro De La Savane)

Schedule of the Day:

10:30-12:00: Carnival! Small groups of participants (approx 5 per group) will be led by students through different activity stations (floor hockey, photobooth, face painting, etc...)

12-1:30: Luncheon

1:30-3:00: Oral hygiene demonstrations given in small groups by a dentist with 3rd and 4th year students assisting the participants (demo how to brush, floss, etc...).

For those of you who signed up already to help with this, we have your contact info and will be in touch shortly. If you don't remember signing up and are now interested, e-mail us at ohth.montreal@gmail.com.

A small investment of time NOW with this special needs population will translate into much more comfort, sensitivity, and confidence when you begin to treat individuals like this in private practice. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

Sincerely,

Gabrielle and Tobias

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