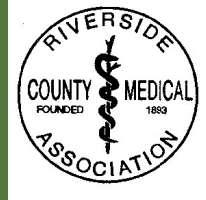




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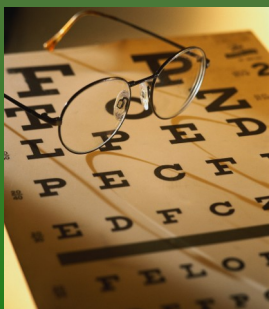
Nearly 2 million Californians lost their health insurance during 2008 and 2009 years characterized by a deep recession and mass layoffs bringing the total number of uninsured in the state to more than 8 million (25% increase since 2007), according to new estimates from the UCLA Center for Health Policy Research. Researchers found that the number of uninsured likely increased among all age groups. The hardest hit, however, were California's working adults. From 2007 to 2009, the proportion of unemployed in California's workforce jumped from 5.4% to 12.3%. As a result, many unemployed Californians may go without essential health coverage.

Dates to Remember:

- October 12th– Opportunity drawing at 12:30pm
- October 12th– Coalition meeting
- October 15th– Dental Clinic
- October – National Eye Health & Safety Month

Fall Vision Events

During the months of October and November, Project K.I.N.D. will hold its annual vision clinics throughout Riverside County. These clinics will provide eligible children proper optical care and free glasses if necessary. This will help enhance the students' academic achievement.



Meet The Provider:

Dr. Touraj Shafai, M.D., is a well-known pediatrician in Riverside with a calm demeanor that has earned him a devoted patient base, often treating generations of families.

A native of Iran, Dr. Shafai came to the United States to pursue his education after graduating from Teheran University, Faculty of Medicine, Iran in 1962. He then received his PhD at Georgetown University in 1969. He has completed a fellowship in Biochemical Genetics at Buffalo Children's Hospital in New York.

Currently, Dr. Shafai is the chairman for the committee on breastfeeding for the American Academy of Pediatrics, a position he has held since 2003. He has

Touraj Shafai, M.D.



served as the Chief of the Department of Pediatrics for Riverside General Hospital and Parkview Community Hospital. He is a member of the CMA and Riverside County Medical Association.

A true passion for Dr. Shafai is his advocacy efforts for breastfeeding and research on the importance of skin-to-skin contact between mother and infant, which he has been advocating for three decades.

Dr. Shafai has been associated with Project K.I.N.D. since 1994 and has been rendering his services free of charge to our patients.

Dr. Shafai is a proud father of five children and a loving grandfather to five children as well.

Buy your tickets to enter and win various prizes!

Donations go towards Project K.I.N.D.'s "Give the Gift of Sight"



"For every \$30 dollars raised, a child will receive an exam and free glasses."

Tickets may be purchased at 3993 Jurupa Avenue
Riverside, Ca 92506
starting August 1, 2010.



Dr. Truc T. Mai is committed to providing the highest standards of quality dentistry to his patients.

Dr. Mai became affiliated with Project K.I.N.D. on June 11th 2009. Since his alignment with our organization, he has partaken in a free Dental Clinic on February 19th 2010. He also accepts referrals through our program.

Dr. Mai received his Bachelor of Science degree from University of California, Irvine in 1993. He went on to receive his D.D.S. degree from Tufts School of Dental Medicine, in 1997.

Welcome New Provider: Truc Mai D.D.S.



Dr. Mai is actively involved with the ADA, the CDA and the Tri-County Dental Society

Dr. Truc is the father of two beautiful daughters. His interests include spending time with his wife and daughters, photography, cars and sports (he is a Cowboys fan). He is an avid runner and has participated in marathons in the Los Angeles, and San Francisco area, and has received a medal from the California Dreamin' Race Series. He is committed to giving a helping hand to children in need of dental work in his community. He is also involved in dental assessment for local schools.



Dental Clinics 2010



Number of Patients	Number of Services	Cost Equivalent
205	1,941	\$135,520

The dental clinics this year were a HUGE success. Project K.I.N.D. held a total of 15 clinics with another clinic coming up in October. All of the dentists, sponsors and volunteers were extremely generous in providing free dental to our patients.

We can't thank you enough!



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1. Henry Schein
2. Patterson Dental
3. Tri-County Dental Society
4. Iverson Dental Labs



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If you are interested in donating to Project K.I.N.D. Please contact Debra Wood at (951)686-3342 ext 314.

Contributions can be sent to:

Project K.I.N.D.
 ATTN: Debra Wood
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From left to right: Olimata Faal B.A., Program Intern and Anna Bugayong, B.S., Program Intern

WE LOVE VOLUNTEERS!

We have volunteer opportunities for people with all types of skills! If interested, please call Debra Wood at 951-686-3342 ext 314.

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