



The RFDS Dental Service is helping people to achieve better overall health by treating a range of dental conditions and focusing on preventive oral health.

How can I help the service treat more dental patients?

In addition to the generous funding support of the Australian Government, our mobile dental service is also happy to accept public donations and sponsorships to ensure its longevity and future expansion.

If you, your business or service club would like to assist the Service visit more rural and remote Queensland communities by supporting a community visit or making an individual donation to thank our team, please contact the Royal Flying Doctor Service on **07 3860 1100**.

Donations to the RFDS Dental Service can also be made online by **visiting flyingdoctor.org.au/qld/dental**

To book an appointment with the RFDS Dental Service, phone 1800 002 507.

Visit flyingdoctor.org.au/qld/dental

*Please bring your Medicare card and, where applicable, private health fund details. Appointments are limited and all services are subject to availability. Some dental conditions may be referred to other services.



Royal Flying Doctor Service

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The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) is dedicated to providing vital health care to anyone living, working or travelling in rural and remote Australia.

The iconic RFDS emergency retrieval service operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week and has expanded to provide regular transfers of patients for life-saving medical care, delivering critical support to those who live in rural and remote areas.

A broad range of essential health care services are also delivered by the RFDS to rural and remote communities. This comprehensive health care service includes general practice, Indigenous health, child and family health, social and emotional wellbeing, women's health and health promotion activities.

Today, the RFDS provides the finest care to more than 290,000 Australians each year – that's one person every two minutes.

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The Flying Doctor acknowledges the support of the QCoal Group, QCoal Foundation and the Australian Government in establishing the dental service in 2013.

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The Royal Flying Doctor Service is committed to improving access to dental care in regional communities across Queensland.

Since 2013 the Dental Service has been delivering dental care from a purpose-built semi-trailer that visits towns throughout rural and remote Queensland.

The service offers preventive care as well as treatment for a range of oral health conditions at no cost to the patient.

What is the RFDS Dental Service?

The RFDS Dental Service is a mobile dental health service delivered by the Royal Flying Doctor Service (Queensland Section).

The purpose-built semi-trailer, which includes two state-of-the-art dental surgeries, allows the RFDS dental team to provide oral health care to patients living in towns throughout rural and remote Queensland.

There is no out-of-pocket expense to patients using this service.



Who can access the service?

The service is available to everyone and can be accessed by people living or working within and around the communities visited.

If you live in an area that has access to a local private dentist, we encourage you to continue to access that service.



What dental treatments can be provided?

The RFDS Dental Service offers dental care ranging from a simple check and clean through to an extraction.

A team of RFDS Dentists and dental assistants provide care from two purpose-built mobile dental surgeries which include an orthopantomogram, enabling the dentists to take a full x-ray of the teeth and jaw.

Any care the RFDS Dental Service is unable to provide will be referred to an appropriate service provider.



Why is good dental health so important?

Research has shown clear links between oral health and general health.

Gum disease is associated with rheumatoid arthritis, adverse pregnancy outcomes and coronary heart disease. Chronic gum infection can also lead to diabetes complications.

Despite the fact that oral diseases are largely preventable, dental admissions are the highest cause of acute preventable hospital admissions in Australia.

Around 80% of all dental practitioners are located in major cities with less than one per cent working in remote areas.

Research has also shown people living outside capital cities have fewer teeth, more untreated decay, and were less likely to visit a dentist.

How do I make a booking?



For enquiries,
phone 1800 002 507.

Appointments are limited and are subject to availability.

This service provides treatment at no cost to clients, however please bring your Medicare Card or private health insurance fund details to your appointment.

Where does the service visit?

The RFDS Dental Service visits communities throughout rural and remote Queensland. To view the current schedule, please visit flyingdoctor.org.au/qld/dental



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