

A Look Into 2020

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Quarterly Newsletter Q3



A Letter From Kyle

These have been strange times. Different than any of us could imagine. Yet so much good is taking place around the world and within the PDS® Foundation. Just listen to what one of the parents of a patient at the Dentists for Special Needs clinic had to say.

“My daughter is 27 and has Down Syndrome and Autism. It has been a struggle for years trying to find a dentist that would deal with her as she doesn’t like to be touched and doesn’t cooperate. I am so grateful to this facility, it’s donors, the friendly staff and especially Dr. David Jourabchi, who was soooooo calm and patient with her. We didn’t feel rushed or like we were the worst parents EVER since she didn’t want to be

*there. He kept trying to calm me (MOM) down!!
This was only her first visit but we will definitely
be back as many times as it takes. Fantastic
place! Highly recommended!!”*

We have a passion to increase access to care for patients with special needs and these are the outcomes we are looking for. Healthier and happier patients.

Stress levels are high and we want to be the empathetic office that provides relief even if it's for a short time. A ray of sunshine through the storm.

We appreciate all of your support but much like the rest of the world, COVID-19 has had a financial impact and we could use your help. Please consider making a [contribution](#) to the PDS Foundation and help provide greater access to care for patients.

Thank you for your hearts to serve.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kyle Guerin". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

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Dentists for Special Needs

The Pacific Dental Services® Foundation Dentists for Special Needs clinic gives a warm welcome to Dr. David Jourabchi, as he joins the team as our newest pediatric dentist. Dr. Jourabchi graduated from the UCLA School of Dentistry. He also completed a fellowship in community-based care at The Ohio State University and a pediatric residency at Interfaith Medical Center.

"I am so excited to be treating the special needs population. I like to treat everyone like family, like we have here at the clinic. Come on over, we would love to see you," says Dr. Jourabchi.

Hear more from Dr. Jourabchi by visiting our [Instagram](#) page.

The Dentists for Special Needs [clinic](#) is open for care! For appointments call 602-344-9530



Dental Assistant Education

As of January 1, 2020, the Pacific Dental Services Foundation® Dr. Carolyn Ghazal Dental Assistant Scholarship is available to students currently enrolled in a dental assistant program. This scholarship provides students with \$5,000 of financial aid, along with mentorship, and on the job training.

During our first round of interviews earlier this year, the Dr. Carolyn Ghazal Dental Assistant Scholarship was awarded to seven students from all across the country. We are excited to hold our second round of interviews at the beginning of September. We know these students have a great career ahead and are eager to support them in their journey.

"I am incredibly honored and humbled to receive the Dr. Carolyn Ghazal Dental Assistant Scholarship. This scholarship will lighten my financial burden so I can focus solely on school. It propels me one giant step closer to helping others. Thank you for this act of generosity and I hope to pay it forward to my community," says recent scholarship recipient, Luna.

By expanding the scholarship to students across the country, we hope to aide more students in achieving their dreams of becoming dental assistants. We also hope to foster the growth of these students to become leaders within the dental industry as dental assistants play a key role in providing increased access to care.

Learn more about the lives impacted by this scholarship by visiting our [blog](#).

Are you a dental assistant student with a passion for service? [Apply online today](#).

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