

Free Oral Cancer Screening

The Monmouth Cancer Coalition is offering FREE oral cancer screening to any adult in Monmouth County who does not receive regular dental exams!

Take advantage of this free offer. It's fast and painless, and it can save your life! Make sure you are cancer free!

April 14, 2011

sites across
**Monmouth
County, NJ**

See a dentist or physician if any of the following symptoms lasts for more than two weeks:

- A sore, irritation, lump or thick patch in your mouth, lip, or throat
- A white or red patch in your mouth
- A feeling that something is caught in your throat
- Difficulty chewing or swallowing
- Difficulty moving your jaw or tongue
- Numbness in your tongue or other areas of your mouth
- Swelling of your jaw that causes dentures to fit poorly or become uncomfortable



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For more information, call or click:
732-418-3219

www.monmouthcancercoalition.org



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Free Oral Cancer Screenings Available In Monmouth County

The Monmouth Cancer Coalition presents
The Fourth Annual Oral Cancer Screening Drive
Thursday, April 14, 2011

The Monmouth Cancer Coalition will sponsor its fourth annual oral cancer screening event to raise awareness about risks of oral cancer and reduce mortality from the disease. FREE oral cancer screening exams will be available throughout Monmouth County on April 14, 2011 at a variety of venues including a senior center, hospitals, clinics and family practices.

“New Jersey has a significantly higher risk of oral cancer than other states, and Monmouth County is higher than the average of New Jersey counties,” said Michael A. Meddis, MPH, Public Health Coordinator of the Monmouth County Health Department and Chair of the Monmouth Cancer Coalition’s Work Group on Oral Cancer. “We believe that regular health screenings can make a big difference and that education about oral cancer is key to saving lives.”

The campaign consists of two parts: (1) free oral cancer screenings, and (2) public education focusing on risk factors associated with oral cancer. At designated sites, an oral health professional will provide a free oral cancer screening exam for anyone who registers. This is a simple test that can detect lesions or other signs of oral cancer. All adults are eligible to receive the test. In addition, educational materials will be available at senior centers, community health centers, health fairs and other county events.

The initiative is under the direction of Mr. Meddis and Dr. Kayvon Haghighi, an oral surgeon and a member of the Governor’s Task Force on Prevention, Early Detection and Treatment of Cancer in New Jersey Workgroup on Oral and Oropharyngeal Cancer. Dr. David Lederman, Chair of the Governor’s Workgroup on Oral and Oropharyngeal Cancer, and a Monmouth County resident, is also actively involved.

For a complete list of sites please visit www.monmouthcancercoalition.org.

About Monmouth Cancer Coalition

The Monmouth Cancer Coalition is a volunteer organization comprised of representatives from the health and human service communities, education, business, faith-based organizations and the general public. Its mission is to increase awareness, education and access to cancer screening and care through developing and sustaining collaborative relationships within the community for the purpose of reducing cancer morbidity and mortality in Monmouth County. The Coalition is funded by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services Office of Cancer Control & Prevention with Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey acting as grant recipient.

For more information about the Oral Cancer Screening Initiative and the Monmouth Cancer Coalition, please visit www.monmouthcancercoalition.org or contact the Coordinator at 732-418-3210 or pvirga@newsolutionsinc.com

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Site	Address	Phone	Availability
Monmouth County Health Department	3435 Highway 9 North Freehold, NJ 07728	732-431-7456	11:00AM-3:00PM Call to register.
Long Branch Senior Center	85 Second Avenue Long Branch, NJ 07740	732-571-6542	1:00PM
Monmouth Family Health Center at Monmouth Medical Center	300 Second Avenue Long Branch, NJ 07753	732-923-6586	Call for availability
CentraState Medical Center - Barry & Star Tobias Health Awareness Center	901 West Main Street Freehold, NJ 07728	732-431-2000	10:00AM-12:00PM
Jersey Shore University Medical Center - Dental Clinic	71 Davis Avenue Neptune, NJ 07753	732-776-4212	10:00am-12:00pm
Keansburg Community Health Center	100 Main Street Keansburg, NJ 07734	732-776-3921	9:00am-12:00pm
Community Health Center of Asbury Park	1301 Main Street Asbury Park, NJ 07712	732-776-3921	8:30-10:30am
Keyport Primary Care Center	35 Broad Street Keyport, NJ 07735	732-776-3921	2:00pm-4:00pm
Bryan A. Shumaker, DDS	265 Route 34 Suite D Colts Neck, NJ 07722	732-431-0800	Call for availability

*Additional sites to be announced 4/7/2011