

The Easterseals NH Oral Health Center, which opened in 2008 and is sponsored by Northeast Delta Dental, is a full-service, state-of-the-art facility in the heart of Manchester. The Center makes a significant impact because it maintains its focus on serving individuals who are in need of a dental home but do not always have the resources to obtain these services.

This is Dave's Story . . .

Socializing has always been a big part of Dave's life. As a former DJ who worked at many weddings and clubs in the greater Manchester area, he thrives around people. In addition to Dave's love of music, he works out at the gym often and is an avid cyclist and photographer.



Unfortunately, things changed for Dave several years ago when he lost his girlfriend of 15 years, Sharon to cancer at that time. His own health began to decline. His hereditary issues with teeth and oral health worsened.

"It was really bad," says Dave. "I separated myself from friends."

After losing Sharon, Dave initially focused on his grief and becoming a healthier person. He also knew he had to address the issues he was having with his teeth. He had grown a goatee and often covered his mouth with his hands when he spoke so people would not be able to see that he had lost most of his teeth. He began looking into options for upper and lower dentures, and that is when a friend told him about Easterseals NH's Oral Health Center.

Dave's first visit with Dr. Farrell and her team was in July 2017. After that first visit, he knew he had found the right dental practice for his needs.

"I was so excited to find a place that I could afford and would let me make flex payments," says Dave, who does not have dental insurance. "Easterseals gave me a solution and a place to go."

Throughout the process of being fitted for his new dentures, which took several month and multiple visits, Dave enjoyed spending time at the office and chatting with the "super-friendly" staff.

These days, Dave is feeling confident with his new smile! "Everyone notices when I talk to friends at the gym," he says. "It is good to make eye contact with people again and I feel like I am putting my best foot forward."

Dave believes in the Oral Health Center, because "the people here really care" and that shines through in the practice's welcoming environment and staff.

"Do not think of Easterseals as an alternative," says Dave. "Go in with high, professional expectations and you won't be disappointed."