By Dentsply Sirona

From the Maldives to Malawi and Nigeria – Dentsply Sirona’s worldwide mission for dental care

By supplying innovative equipment, Dentsply Sirona International Special Clinic Solutions (ISCS) empowers dental professionals to provide better dental care all over the world – even in remote and underserved regions.

From the Maldives to Nigeria to Malawi – in 2018, Dentsply Sirona completed successfully three exceptional clinic projects. Now, the patients in these regions can benefit from advanced dental care thanks to modern equipment.

“It is important for us, to contribute to the development of dental care services in less-favored countries by providing technologies that improve access to better oral health”, explains Jörg Vogel, Vice President Sales International Clinic Solutions at Dentsply Sirona. These projects reflect Dentsply Sirona’s presence in over 40 countries worldwide and – in terms of sales presence – in more than 120 countries.

The Maldives – high-quality dental equipment for an amazing region

On the Maldives, Dentsply Sirona delivered treatment centers, a 3-D imaging unit as well as CAD/CAM systems such as CEREC and inLab to the Indira Gandhi Memorial Hospital in the capital Malé. The innovative equipment will serve both, the local inhabitants and the tourists. As the largest government healthcare facility in the Maldives with approximately 200 beds and a total of 21 departments the clinic provides services to about 150,000 inhabitants.

Malawi – giving access to dental care in disadvantaged regions

Another project is part of Dentsply Sirona’s corporate social responsibility program to improve access to dental health care in underprivileged areas. In the Sangley Baptist Medical Clinic in Salima, central Malawi, Dentsply Sirona donated and installed one Intego treatment center. Established in the early 1960s, the Baptist Medical Clinic is the only facility that provides dental services in the Salima district besides the district’s hospital. The clinic provides free dental services since the average income of most of the surrounding people is less than one US dollar per day.

Nigeria – exemplary dental project for the region and next steps

In the third project example, Dentsply Sirona equipped the Dental Department of the Nigerian Navy Reference Hospital Oyo/Lagos (NNRH Oyo) with high-quality dental technologies. The new dental equipment consists of Teneo and Intego Pro treatment centers as well as intraoral, 2-D and 3-D imaging units and last but not least the CAD/CAM systems CEREC and inLab.

At the official inauguration ceremony, his excellency Muhammadu Buhari, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, thanked Dentsply Sirona and encouraged other states in Nigeria to take the Oyo project as a good example. So, similar dental equipment like in the Oyo example is currently on its way to the Nigerian Navy Reference Hospital in the capital Lagos where it will be implemented until the middle of the year. Besides the Navy’s employees and their relatives, the state-of-the-art dental care center will also be accessible in terms of public oral health services.

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