

## Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCAP), Port Angeles, WA



Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCAP) increases access to oral health care services for people with low incomes (at or below 200% of the Federal Income Guidelines [FIG] in Clallam and Jefferson Counties. Their dental programs deliver oral health services in a variety of settings. They have a storefront dental clinic in Port Angeles, and offer mobile dental services at 4 different locations around the Olympic Peninsula. The new dental clinic takes pressure off the local emergency rooms since people can receive emergency dental services at the OlyCAP Oral Health Center.

The program has wide support in the professional health care community and the community in general. As a funding agency for oral health care on the Olympic Peninsula, HCA-CHS is optimistic that this program will continue to increase access to oral health care services for low-income people.

How did the clinic become reality? Through a tripartite agreement between Pierce College, Peninsula College, and OlyCAP Oral Health Center, a six chair dental facility was built at the newly remodeled Port Angeles Armory. Besides meeting a community need, this dental clinic provides valuable dental hygiene education in a unique and innovative way using the latest dental technology.

For more information, please visit the OlyCAP Oral Health Center website at: [http://www2.olycap.org/Oral\\_Health\\_Services.php](http://www2.olycap.org/Oral_Health_Services.php)