



KOOL SMILES COMES TO KILLEEN

Quality, Accessible Dental Care Now Extended to Killeen and Fort Hood Families

It's all smiles in Killeen, Texas, thanks to the new Kool Smiles office, which opened at 1100 Lowes Blvd. **Kool Smiles of Killeen** opened its doors with a mission to expand access to quality dental care to families in Killeen and Fort Hood.

"Quality preventative dental care will reduce costs to the healthcare system over the long term," said **Representative Jimmie Don Aycok**. "Kool Smiles provides access to that care for our most vulnerable population of children in Texas Health Steps and Texas CHIP, as well as military families. I'm excited about the increased access, and the prospect for affordable, quality oral healthcare for the families in Killeen."

Kool Smiles provides a dental home for thousands of children across the country, in an effort to answer what the Surgeon General called one of the greatest unmet health needs in children: oral health. Dental caries (tooth decay) is the single most common childhood disease – 5 times more common than asthma and 7 times more common than hay fever. With Kool Smiles, both children and parents are able to address these issues in a fun, accessible, family-friendly environment staffed with knowledgeable and compassionate dental experts.

"Kool Smiles was founded with the vision of providing access to quality dental care in communities that have traditionally been underserved. Our expansion into Killeen close to Fort Hood provides yet another opportunity for our dentists to reverse the alarming oral health care trends among the families that need dental health services the most," states Dr. Jim Schmidt (COL, US Army, Ret.), Regional Dental Director for Kool Smiles. "We are honored to become part of the Killeen and greater Fort Hood military community and look forward to partnering with the base, area schools, daycare centers, and local social service agencies to ensure the importance of oral health is communicated to families in our newest service area."

Kool Smiles of Killeen is located at 1100 Lowes Blvd, Suite 100. Killeen, TX, 76542

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About Kool Smiles

Founded in 2002, Kool Smiles is a network of local dental offices dedicated to expanding access to quality dental care for children and families in underserved communities. Kool Smiles provides preventative care, diagnostic imaging and a full range of restorative care supported with electronic health records. Kool Smiles offices, many of which are newly constructed, are designed to facilitate communications between our patients and doctors in a relaxed atmosphere. In addition to accepting most insurance plans, Kool Smiles is proud to offer services to families covered by Medicaid and State Children's Health Insurance Programs (SCHIP). Kool Smiles also provides oral health education programs through partnerships with community schools and organizations. To find a local Kool Smiles dentist, please visit www.koolsmilespc.com.