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To Your Health: February 2017

Pregnant Woman Received Care Thanks to WYH, Medicaid

Prior to the passage of the Affordable Care Act, holes in the health insurance system left people at risk – especially young adults and people with per-existing health conditions.

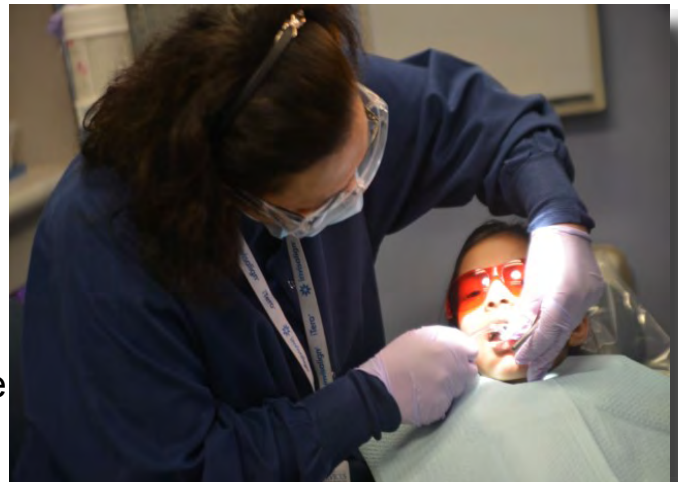
When the flawed system failed Rose Mitchell-Tenerowicz, 32, of Albany, Whitney Young Health was there to help her and her unborn child. ***This is their story.***



Celebrating Give Kids a Smile Day

February 3rd was Give Kids a Smile Day, a national day of volunteering by dentists and hygienists to offer free oral health services to children. Whitney Young Health's Seal a Smile program's staff provides similar services year-round at schools throughout the Capital Region.

Rebecca Hoffay, a Dental Hygienist and the Clinical Director of Seal a Smile, discussed the importance of children receiving continuous dental care to prevent tooth decay with [Time Warner Cable News](#).



WYH Advocates for Kids During School Based Health Care Month

On February 7th, Whitney Young Health staff and board members attended the New York School-Based Health Advocacy Day at the Empire State Plaza along with hundreds of other students, teachers and health professionals from all across the state to advocate for School-Based Health Centers (SBHC).

Advocacy day is a chance to meet with NYS elected officials to stress how crucial funding school-based health centers is for the children and teens they are. It was also a chance to connect with the elected officials and educate them about our organization and how we make a difference right in their own backyard.

To learn more about what this year's agenda was, read [here](#).



WYH Sponsors Palace Theatre's Black History Month Celebration

Whitney Young Health is a proud Community Sponsor for this year's Black History Month Celebration at the [Palace Theatre](#).

The closing ceremony includes a reception and the screening of *Selma* on Monday, February 27th beginning at 6:00pm. *Selma* is a chronicle of Martin Luther King's campaign to secure equal voting rights via an epic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama in 1965.

If you are interested in attending, free tickets can be picked up in person at the Palace Theatre Box Office.



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