

# University of New England College of Dental Medicine

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## Mission Statement

*To improve the health of Northern New England  
and shape the future of dentistry through  
excellence in education, discovery, and service.*

# Public Health Curriculum

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Principles of Epidemiology

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Principles of Public Health

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Public Health Policy and  
Management

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Social and Behavioral Health  
Applied Dental Public Health

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Financing Dental Healthcare



Combining theory and  
application to prepare  
students to serve  
underserved  
communities in  
northern New England  
through extensive  
outreach opportunities

# Community-Based Education

## Service Learning Outreach Experiences

OHI

Screenings

Fluoride placement

Sealant programs

Athletic mouth guards

Portable, temporary sites

Supervised by full-licensed faculty

Preventative

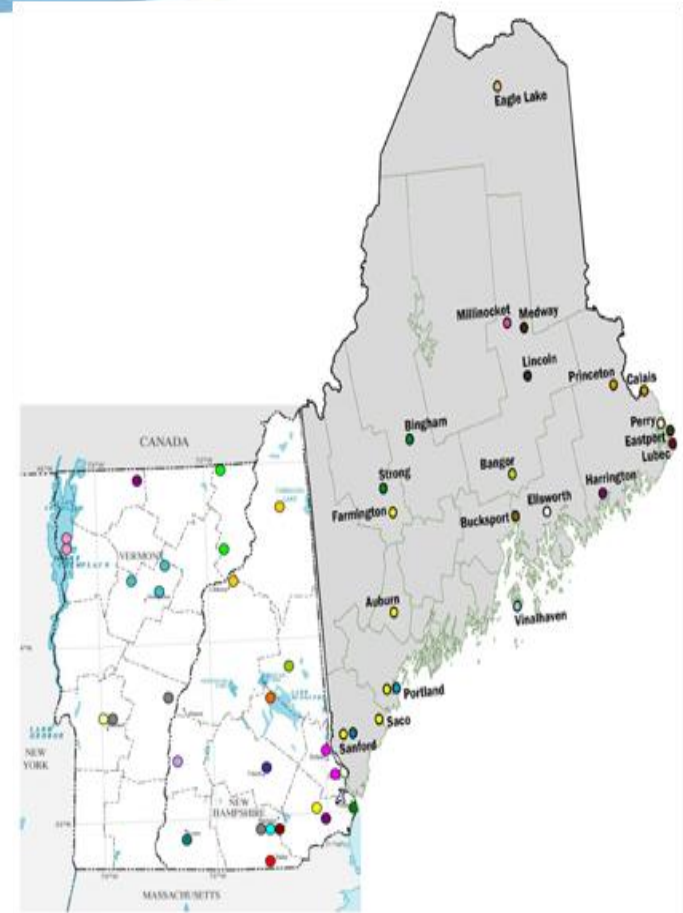
## Externship Sites

Patient care

Fixed locations

## International Enhancement Opportunities

## Public Health Initiatives



# Community-Based Education

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Two, 12 week rotations during the 4<sup>th</sup> Year

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Sites in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Massachusetts

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FQHCs, look-alikes, CHCs, private practices, hospitals, and outpatient clinics

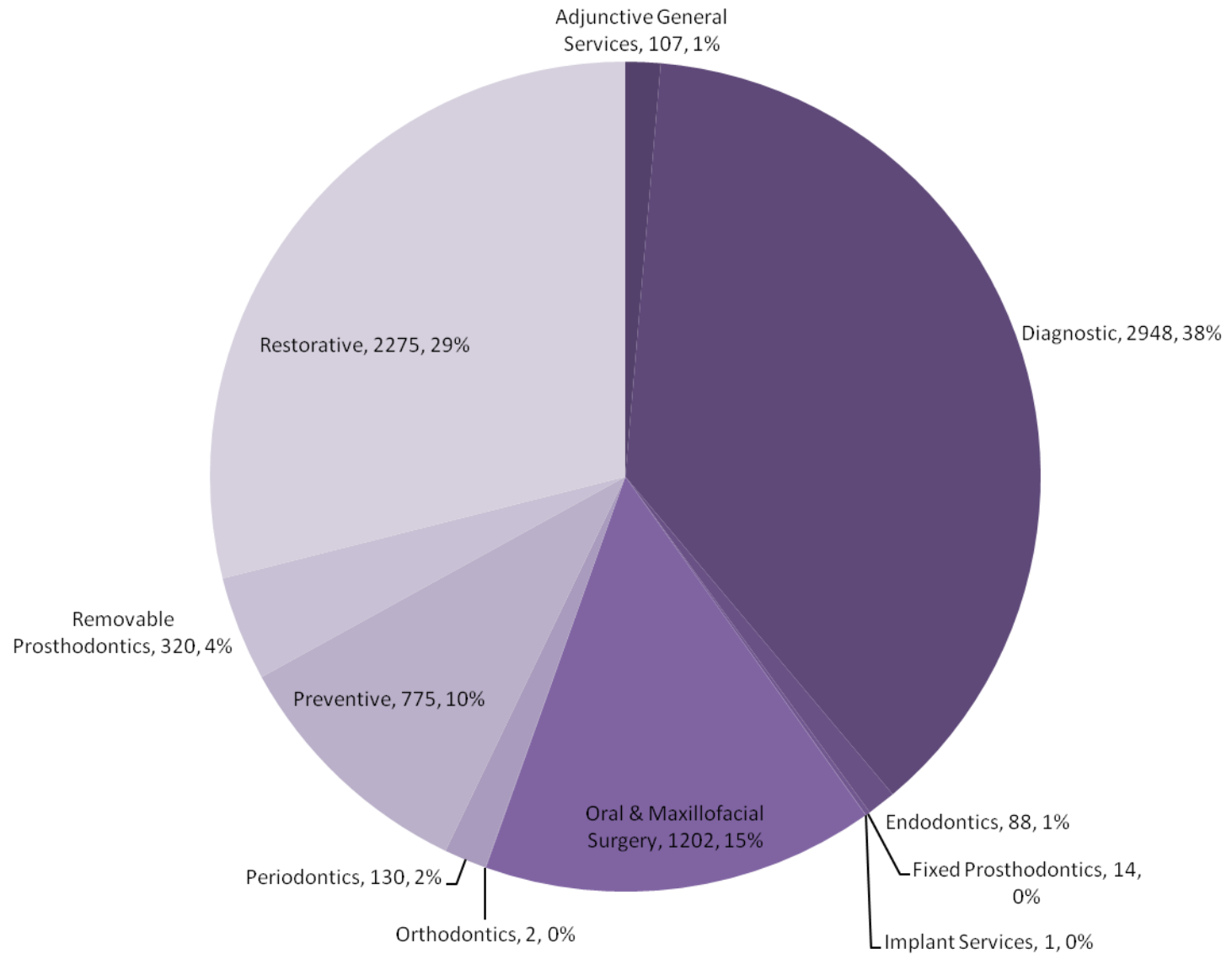
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Launched in June 2016

# Benefits of the Community-Based Model

- Experience Diverse Patient Populations
- “Real World” Experiences
- Opportunity to interact with staff and learn different delivery models/Practice Management
- Improved Clinical Competence/Confidence/Communications Skills
- Increased Awareness of Social Responsibility/Leadership
- Helps to establish relationships between dentists, future graduates, and community
- Helps to increase access to needed oral health care across region (direct care and future practice locations) – “Value Added”

# TOTAL PROCEDURES COMPLETED FOR ALL GROUPS BY CDT CATEGORY





# UNE in New Hampshire

- 10 externship sites (4 FQHCs, 2 non-profits, 4 private practices)
- Rotation block 1 (7 sites participating, 7 students):
  - 1,356 patient encounters over 12 weeks
  - 2,284 procedures
- Rotation block 2 (9 sites participating, 10 students):
  - 1,160 patient encounters at the beginning of week 8
- Very positive feedback from students, preceptors, and most importantly, patients!



Thank you!