



Dentists, dental hygienists and community volunteers participated in Special Smiles at the 2016 Special Olympics of Delaware Opening Games on June 11.

Who

The Delaware State Dental Society combined forces with the Special Olympics of Delaware. The participating volunteers consisted of 19 dentists, dental hygienists, and community volunteers.

- **Dentists**
 - Dr. Michael Matthias
 - Dr. Richard Bond
 - Dr. Adly Adwayes
 - Dr. Linda Nguyen

- Dr. Greg McClure
- Dental Hygienists
 - Rumiko Nelson
 - Mary McClure
 - Brenda Fitzgerald
 - Renee Forbes
 - Rose Mattei
 - Lee Ann Simmons
 - Nancy Brohawn
 - Linda Meyer
 - Jessica Healy
- Community Volunteers
 - Amy Haywood
 - Steve Fuller
 - Jared Matthias
 - Annie Nguyen

What

Special Olympics Delaware hosted its 47th annual Summer Games June 9-11 at the University of Delaware in Newark. In addition to the several athletic competitions, the weekend featured a Healthy Athletes event on Saturday, June 11. Delaware State Dental Society participated in *Special Smiles*, a program offering free dental screenings to the participating athletes. Overall, the dentist, hygienists and volunteers saw a total of 79 Olympians. Healthy Athletes day also featured free screenings for eyes, feet and ears.

About the Cause

Special Olympics Delaware, which began in 1971, provides year-round sports training and athletic competitions for more than 4,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Special Olympics Delaware seeks to help these athletes develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage and build skills and friendships. Today, the organization has grown to more than 4,000 athletes and 500 coaches participating in 20 sports.

For more information about Special Olympics Delaware, visit <http://www.sode.org>.

