

# Rosebud Dental Group

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## Newsletter



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Welcome to first newsletter for 2014.

### FIRST AID

Every November Rosebud Dental Group does a refresher course in Medical Emergency First Aid. This course is



run by first aid specialists Cynergex who put an emphasis on how to manage an unwell patient and how to utilise our team and equipment to provide quick, effective

and safe care for a medical emergency. Cynergex was established by intensive care ambulance officers and have customized



training days for dental practices providing emergency training scenarios and teaching on site. They also ensure our defibrillator and medical emergency equipment is of the highest standard and up to date.

Although we hope never to use these skills, we know it is necessary to ensure we are prepared if a medical emergency does occur.

If you have a business and have considered staff first aid training we would highly recommend Cynergex to you.

[www.cynergexgroup.com.au](http://www.cynergexgroup.com.au)

### WHAT IS AN OPG?

OPG which stands for Orthopantomogram, is a radiographic image which gives a panoramic view of the mandible, maxilla and all teeth.

OPG's are very useful for patients who:

- need a general treatment plan for the whole mouth

- require multiple or difficult extractions to see root formations and their relationship to anatomical structures such as sinuses and nerves, especially important for wisdom teeth

- have temporomandibular joint problems.

- have jaw problems e.g. broken jaw or bone cysts etc

- have had trauma to the mouth

- require orthodontic treatment.

- have teeth abnormalities, missing teeth etc.

- have periodontitis- bone loss caused by long term gum disease.



OPG's are different to the smaller intra-oral radiographs taken in-chair at the clinic. An OPG is created using a technique called tomography. The x-ray tube moves around the head and the x-ray film moves in the opposite direction behind your head, generating an image. Rosebud Dental Group refers to local radiography clinics to provide OPG's for our patients.

### CAMBODIA

During his recovery from shoulder surgery Malcolm travelled to Cambodia for his 4<sup>th</sup> trip to volunteer with M'Lop Tapang, the incredible NGO that looks after the children and young adults in Sihanoukville. He accompanied Dr David Grant from



Baxter who was volunteering his dentistry for the 5<sup>th</sup> time, while David was doing dentistry Malcolm supervised and taught M'Lop Tapang's dental therapist

Pech who looks after the children's dental health between visits by volunteer dentists. It wasn't all hard work and a lot of fun was had as well as helping some kids in need. If you would like to donate to M'Lop Tapang email [fuellingmt@gmail.com](mailto:fuellingmt@gmail.com) more information can be found on the posters in our waiting room.



### MULTILINGUAL DENTISTS

Rosebud Dental Group is proud of its multilingual dentists Dr Mindy Cameron and Dr Ella Jin, Mindy is fluent in Vietnamese, while Ella speaks Chinese. So if you know anyone whose native tongue is either of these languages we can highly recommend these two young professionals to put them at ease and provide excellent dental care in their own language.

### CHILD DENTAL BENEFITS

The Childs Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) is the governments new scheme which replaces the Medicare Teen Dental Scheme.

This new scheme will benefit eligible children between the ages of 2 and 17. To be eligible for CDBS, families will need to pass a means test and receive Family Tax Benefit A or a payment such as youth allowance. Medicare will provide up to \$1000 for every eligible child over a 2 year period for dental care, with eligibility checked by Medicare at the start of the second year.

Those families who are eligible should be contacted by the Australian Government in early 2014.

For more information go to [www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/medicare/child-dental-benefits-schedule](http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/medicare/child-dental-benefits-schedule)

