

## Diana Capobianco, D.D.S.

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## Dr. Diana Capobianco Announces the Expansion of her *Growing Smiles* Dental Practice

**Bel Air, Maryland – January 19, 2012:** Dr. Diana Capobianco, has announced an office space and staff expansion of her pediatric dental practice, *Growing Smiles*, located in Bel Air at the heart of Harford County.

"We are excited about gaining the additional treatment space so that we can serve even more members of our growing community," says Capobianco who sees patients from Harford, Cecil, and Baltimore counties as well as Pennsylvania and Delaware. "Our practice is focused on delivering excellent dental care and customer service to each of our young clients and their families. With more clinical space and the addition of another dentist, we are better positioned to accommodate our growing patient load, which includes many families who have relocated to the area because of BRAC. The expanded space also allows us to provide even more timely service to the patients who require dental procedures."

Established by Dr. Diana Capobianco in 2004, *Growing Smiles* is a pediatric dental practice that caters to patients from infancy through their teenage years, including those with special needs. The additional 1500 sq. ft. of space already boasts a remodeled waiting room that is both toddler- and teen-friendly, and features an Apple *iPad* station that patients can use to play games while their parents/guardians sign them in for their dental visit. According to Capobianco, "our appointment schedule normally runs on-time, so the wait to be seen by our staff is minimal. The *iPad* station keeps patients busy while caregivers checkin and review information with our receptionist. They've been a big hit with both our small and tall patients."

Growing Smiles has also added another pediatric dentist to their practice. New to the dental team is Dr. Todd Lyman, a graduate of Marquette University School of Dentistry. Dr. Lyman, who received his Masters Degree and his Certification in Pediatric Dentistry from Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas, Texas, joined the practice in September. "He quickly established a great rapport with patients and parents, alike," says Capobianco. "He is a welcome addition to our office."

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In the specialty dentistry arena, *Growing Smiles* is considered a leader in the field, featuring child-centered care, a virtually paperless patient file system, comfort care for anxious patients, and a family-friendly treatment area. In November 2011, the busy practice also initiated an online appointment reminder system that caters to the busy schedules of parents and guardians by offering email and text messaging confirmation options. *Growing Smiles* and Dr. Diana, as she is fondly known to her patients, have both earned many accolades throughout the years, having consistently been named one of *Baltimore Magazine's* "Top Docs."

Growing Smiles is located in the Bel Air South Professional Center on Tollgate Road behind the Bob Evans restaurant at the intersection of Rt. 24 and Bel Air South Parkway. The practice employs 16 clerical and clinical staff members and is dedicated to providing state-of-the-art preventative care and dental treatments to each of its young patients. Through education and regular dental visits, Growing Smiles promotes good oral health habits that will last a lifetime.

Dr. Diana Capobianco, a board certified Pediatric Dentist, has over 20 years experience in the dental field. She earned both her dental degree and specialty certificate from the <u>University of MD School of Dentistry</u>, where she currently serves as a part-time clinical professor teaching pre-doctoral students and pediatric residents. She is a member in good standing with the <u>American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry</u>, <u>The American Academy of Pediatrics</u>, and the <u>American Dental Association</u>. She is Fellow of both the <u>American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and Pierre Fauchard Academy</u>, a <u>Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, and, in 2008</u>, was inducted into the <u>AAPD College of Diplomates</u>. Dr. Capobianco is a current member of the <u>Harford-Cecil Dental Society</u>, an organization where she has served as a past officer and president, and holds a position on the Executive Board for the <u>Maryland Academy of Pediatric Dentistry</u>. Dr. Capobianco volunteers many hours with <u>Catholic Charities</u> and <u>Early Head Start programs</u>, the <u>Harford and Cecil County Health Departments</u>, and regularly visits local schools and daycare facilities to introduce children to the importance of good dental hygiene in fun, engaging, and age-appropriate presentations.

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