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Dental Clinic Celebrates 15 Year History, Looks to Sustain Its Future

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(Southampton, PA) [HealthLink Dental Clinic](http://www.healthlinkdental.org) is holding an Anniversary Cocktail Party in September and, having provided free care to the community for a decade and a half, the local nonprofit surely has something to celebrate.

When it opened its doors in 2001, HealthLink provided both medical and dental care to low-income, working adults at no cost. Since the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, the expansion of Medicaid, and having experienced a reduction in medical patient appointments, the clinic Board of Directors made the decision to focus on exclusively providing dental care – a need that is still evident in both Bucks and Montgomery County.

The Cocktail Party on September 21st will be a celebration of the clinic's history – the donors, volunteers, and staff who have contributed to its successes for 15 years - as well as an invitation to the community and new friends to aid in sustaining its future.

Part of that future is its recent partnership with the [Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry at Temple University](http://www.temple.edu/dentistry). The collaboration, which benefits both Temple University students and patients at HealthLink Dental Clinic, would not have been possible without the leadership of Dean Amid Ismail.

At the anniversary event, HealthLink will present Dean Amid Ismail with the Eugene Jackson Humanitarian Award to recognize his commitment to oral and overall health issues facing the underserved.

The Cocktail Party will begin at 5:30pm at Twining Hall (4900 E Street Road in Trevose), include hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and soda from [MEI Catering](http://www.meicatering.com), and feature jazz music by the [Hazelrigg Brothers](http://www.hazelriggbrothers.com). Registration is \$35 per person. Cash bar will be available.

Guests can register online at <http://tinyurl.com/HLDC15>

Local businesses have made a commitment to the health of the community and chosen to commemorate this milestone year with HealthLink through corporate sponsorship of the event. [BB&T Bank](http://www.bbampbank.com), [Temple University's Kornberg School of Dentistry](http://www.temple.edu/dentistry), [Henry Schein](http://www.henryschein.com), [Beacon Construction](http://www.beaconconstruction.com), and [Impact Thrift Stores](http://www.impactthriftstores.com) are among those supporting the clinic's Anniversary Cocktail Party.

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HealthLink Dental Clinic is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to improve the overall health of qualified low-wage earning adults in Bucks and Montgomery counties by providing free preventative and restorative dental services and oral health education. HealthLink is located at 1775 Street Road in Southampton, Pennsylvania. More information is available online at www.healthlinkdental.org.



PHOTO: Amid I. Ismail, BDS, MPH, MBA, DrPH, and diplomate ABDPH, Dean of Temple University's Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry, will be presented with the *Eugene Jackson Humanitarian Award* by HealthLink Dental Clinic at its 15th Anniversary Celebration Cocktail Party on September 21, 2016.