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KANSAS CITY, MO, USA, July 27, 2020 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The <u>TeleDentists</u>[®], the nation's largest virtual dental service, announces a national platform for Spanish speaking patients: Los TeleOdontólogos. An estimated 41 million US residents, or 13.5% of the population, speak Spanish at home according to the 2018 Census survey. The TeleDentists believes patients should have access to healthcare in their primary language. Therefore, to expand access to dental care, The TeleDentists is dedicating Los TeleOdontólogos to these millions of patients.

In a recent study by the Hispanic Dental Association Foundation (HDA), results show that knowledge gaps (oral health literacy), high cost (access to affordable care and insurance) and language/culture differences (Hispanic/Spanish-speaking dental health professionals) are barriers to many Hispanics in achieving good oral health.

Furthermore, 45% of Hispanics lack dental insurance and nearly one in five (18%) have not visited the dentist at all in the past two years. Approximately six in 10 Hispanics feel that a higher representation of Spanish-speaking and Hispanic dentists/hygienists in their community would help them in achieving and maintaining better oral health.

In addition, access to dental care is becoming even more limited for the Hispanic communities due to Covid-19. It is estimated that 12.45 million people are expected to visit Emergency Departments for dental concerns (including 2.3 million visits by Hispanics), racking up a \$3.85 Billion tab.

Los TeleOdontólogos offers 24/7/365 access to a virtual dentist, in all fifty States and Puerto Rico. Los TeleOdontólogos network of Board Licensed dentists are available 24/7/365 to provide virtual dental consults via laptop, tablet or smart phone. They diagnose the patient's problem and get them started on remediation, which may include an e-script for an antibiotic and/or nonnarcotic pain medication. When follow-on care is needed, next -day appointments are booked with an appropriate dentist located near the patient.

"The solution to the linguistic and geographical dentist's shortage has arrived! Los TeleOdontólogos 'un-dos-tres' proprietary platform allows serving the Hispanic community dental emergency needs 'desde tu casa' from a cell phone, tablet, or computer 'en Español' while preventing risk exposure to Covid-19" said Dr. Uzbelger Feldman, Los TeleOdontólogos Dental Director.

About The TeleDentists®

The TeleDentists[®] offer "the first of its kind" virtual dental service. A national network of licensed dentists utilizes a variety of virtual tools (smart phones, tablets, laptops) to assist in diagnosing, remediating and, when needed, arranging local dental appointments the next business day.

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