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## Therapy Dog, Disco, Celebrates 10 Years with Alexandria Dentist

**Alexandria, VA** – Ten-year-old Jack Russell Terrier, Disco, is more than just a beloved family pet; he has been hard at work 5 days a week for most of his life. Disco, a certified pet therapy dog, adds a unique spin to high-quality patient care at DC Smiles in Alexandria, VA.

“My practice is unique in the advanced techniques I offer my patients all under one roof, but above all, I have pet therapy,” said Dr. Lawrence Singer, DMD, noting that Disco provides relaxation for patients. “For people who are nervous coming to the dentist, he takes the edge off,” said the doctor. “It’s a feature that makes coming to DC Smiles more enjoyable.”



Disco was certified by Fairfax Pets on Wheels, Inc. in Fairfax, VA. This program also allows him to visit with elderly nursing home residents in the Northern Virginia area.

“Patients ask for Disco by name,” said the doctor’s wife, Tonya Singer. “If Disco misses a day of work, our patients check with us to make sure he’s ok, just like they would for any human member of our staff.”

It’s no secret that well-established dentists like Singer put in a lifetime of hard work to be successful in their field. In therapy dog, Disco’s case, it seems he has taken after his owner when it comes to work ethic. “Disco is the first one out the door in the mornings,” said Singer. “He’s also the first one to sleep at night,” admits the doctor. “I guess that’s proof of a hard day’s work!”

### About DC Smiles

DC Smiles is the comprehensive dental, oral health practice of Dr. Lawrence D. Singer, DMD, PC providing patient care from two locations; DC Smiles in Washington, DC and NOVA Smiles in Alexandria, VA. Patients visit DC Smiles for a wide range care; from general dentistry and



routine care, to a full suite of oral reconstructive (dental implants, bone grafts) and cosmetic procedures. Dr. Singer earned his bachelor of science in human development from Vanderbilt University, and his doctor of medical dentistry (DMD) from the University of Pennsylvania, School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Singer holds the title of Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery at the George Washington University Hospital, where he is responsible for emergency facial trauma, and performs surgeries and procedures for special needs patients. DC Smiles offers flexible hours and has English-, Spanish- and Farsi-speaking staff. For more information on DC Smiles, please contact Amanda Mitchell at [dc.nova.smiles@gmail.com](mailto:dc.nova.smiles@gmail.com).

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