



## Submitting a New Product to the USAF Dental Evaluation & Consultation Service (DECS) for Possible Evaluation

The USAF Dental Evaluation & Consultation Service (DECS) has evaluated hundreds of dental products over the last several years and the results have appeared on our Web site (see "Product Evaluations"). As a dental product manufacturer, you may be interested in having DECS evaluate one your products. Because our mission involves evaluating products that may be of use to the federal dental services, not all products are evaluated. However, our Web site includes a "New Products on the Market" section that features dental products recently brought to the market, and some of the non-evaluated products may be featured there.

If a product is chosen for evaluation, DECS will contact you to provide complete details about the process. If your company would like to submit a new product to DECS for possible evaluation or inclusion as a "New Product" entry on our Web site, please provide us with one sample of the product. If the product is large and/or expensive, an acceptable alternative is to send a color photograph, jpeg, or gif image of the item. The following information **must** also be provided for the product to be considered for evaluation or inclusion in the "New Product" section:

- manufacturer's name and address
- commercial phone number
- toll-free phone number (if available)
- FAX number
- URL of the company Web site (if available)
- promotional literature (i.e., sales brochure, advertising copy, product instructions)
- retail and government pricing
- name and phone number of a representative at the company who can be contacted for additional information

**Please send the product and requested information to the following address:**

USAF Dental Evaluation & Consultation Service  
59<sup>th</sup> DG/ST  
3650 Chambers Pass, Bldg 3610  
Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234  
Attn: Evaluation or New Product

**Please be aware of the following:**

- the Dental Evaluation and Consultation Service does not guarantee that the product will be evaluated or included on its Web site. DECS determines suitability for evaluation and inclusion based on several factors, one of which is appropriateness of the product for use by the federal dental services. Decisions made by DECS concerning evaluation and inclusion of a product on our Web site are final.
- submitted products and information will not be returned to the manufacturer.
- inclusion of a submitted product on the Web site does not obligate DECS to evaluate the product.
- manufacturers should not contact DECS about the status of their submitted products.