Coming Home:
Alumni Share Why They Return to Work at Their Alma Mater
Dear Colleagues and Friends:

Last year was my first year leading the Department of Dental Medicine. I’m excited to be sharing a message with you again this year and look forward to speaking with many of you during our Faculty Development meeting. I am proud to lead the department and delighted to share a message of gratitude to Dr. Martin Lieberman, Dr. Neal Demby and their nationwide team of dedicated professionals who are committed to the public health mission that provides access to care in underserved communities and delivers high quality, educational training to the next generation of oral health providers.

Faculty and staff development is critical in our workplace today. It helps us to become aware of what we do and why we do it, and challenges us to continually strive for excellence. Last year, I outlined several ways in which the partnership between the NYU Langone Health (NYULH) system and NYU Langone Dental Medicine could be leveraged to provide more opportunities for outstanding training and dental care. I’m proud to report that we have:

- Expanded training sites in existing sites and new locations across the country and developed curriculum to educate residents using state-of-the-art technology;
- Under the Director of Dental Research, Mary E. Northridge, PhD, MPH, we’ve expanded research mentoring to fulfill our educational mission of supporting dental faculty and residents in conducting studies that improve patient and population health. Read more on pages 32 and 33.
- Continued to recruit NYU Langone Dental Medicine graduates for leadership level positions in the organization and as faculty in our affiliate health centers where they trained.

In the past year, the NYU Langone Health system has opened a new medical school on Long Island, the NYU Long Island School of Medicine (LISOM) which is dedicated to training primary care physicians, and made by LISOM and NYUSOM tuition free. NYUSOM ranks as the #3 medical school in the nation. In September, NYULH merged with NYU Winthrop Hospital in Mineola, NY resulting in a 25% expansion of the health system. More than 70 sites were added to NYULH’s network on Long Island. As part of the merger, NYU Langone Dental Medicine added a new pediatric dentistry training site at Winthrop Hospital and will recruit two residents during post-match 2020. NYU Langone is ranked #9 on the Best Hospitals Honor Roll by U.S. News and World Report.

Looking to the future, NYULH is committed to working with NYU Langone Dental Medicine to fully implement the EPIC EHR dental module to provide greater access, organization, and sharing of electronic records. We will work to strategically expand the Advanced Education in General Dentistry and Pediatric Dentistry programs in new locations and in partnership with Dental Service Organizations, building our excellent reputation to develop these opportunities across the country.

Together, we will live out our trifold mission: to serve, to teach, and to discover through an integrated academic culture devoted to excellence in patient care, education, and research. The NYU Langone Dental Medicine education programs set a national standard for residency training in dentistry. My thanks to each of you for your commitment to transformative post-graduate dental education.

Sincerely,

Gary E. Kalkut, MD, MPH
Senior Vice President for Network Integration
Associate Chief Clinical Officer
Cover story

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NYU Langone Dental Medicine is nationally recognized for its high quality postdoctoral programs with locations across the US. And that’s just one reason so many of our alumni return to work in the health centers where they trained.

IN OUR RURAL, SUBURBAN, AND URBAN sites, our alumni are treating some of our nation’s most underserved citizens while training the next generation of oral health professionals. The paths they took after graduation are diverse. Some of our alumni accepted positions with us immediately after graduation. Some of our alumni are diverse. Some of our alumni are just one reason so many of our alumni return to work at their alma mater.

As for what brought them back, we asked our alumni to answer one or more of the following questions:

1. Why did you choose to stay on/return to NYU Langone Dental Medicine?
2. What about your residency experience(s) prepared you for your current role?
3. What did you enjoy most about your NYU Langone Dental Residency Program?

JACLYN STAUFFER
2010 Pediatric Dentistry, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Attending, San Ysidro Health Center
I always knew I wanted to teach someday, therefore, after gaining a few years of private practice experience, I chose to teach with NYU Langone Dental Medicine where they gave me my clinical and didactic expertise in my specialty. I wanted to give back to the program and to my former residency director, Dr. Silva Perez-Spies. I feel very lucky to have learned from her. What I liked most about my residency experience was the heavy clinical training and my resident cohort.

CHALISE MORGAN
2008 AEGD, Maui, HI
Current position: AEGD site director at Shingle Springs Health & Wellness Center, Placerville, CA
About six years ago, Dr. Michael Erhard, another NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD PGY-2 alumnus and faculty dentist here, was brainstorming about ways to improve access to care for our region at our Tribal Health Dental Clinic. We discussed the potential opportunity of being a host site for our annual Indian Health Service meeting with former area director, Dr. Huy Le. She was a great resource and helped us navigate the process of developing our clinic into a host site for AEGD residents from NYU Langone Dental. We successfully completed CODA accreditation and are currently in our fifth cycle of hosting residents. Drs. Mayeda & Owades laid a solid foundation of implantology, occlusion, and comprehensive dentistry. I was taught how to provide complex rehabilitative oral health services, including implant placement. I have increased my knowledge in this area and currently mentor our AEGD residents to place implants more predictably using CBCT guides and dental scanners. I enjoy watching the residents develop confidence and speed. I also enjoy staying in touch with our former residents who have gone on to lead very successful careers in dentistry.

ANNA D’EMILIO
1992 & 1993 GPR (PGY1 and PGY2 residents), Brooklyn, NY
Current position: AEGD Program Director, NYU Langone Dental Medicine
NYU Langone Dental Medicine is like a treasure chest filled with pearls of opportunities. I was privileged and fortunate to be mentored by a team comprised of leaders and educators that nurtured and supported me to realize my potential, and provided me with the resources to enhance upon my talent, gain experience, and achieve my personal/professional goals. I’m proud to contribute towards the wonderful legacy created by NYU Langone Dental Medicine and am excited for the up and coming leaders and educators who will discover their own pearls of opportunities.

SAGAR SHAH
2013 GPR, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: GPR Attending at Sunset Park & Park Ridge Family Health Centers, Brooklyn, NY
I chose to stay at the hospital because I was inspired by the incredible mentors our dental clinic provides. The team of GPR attendings that Dr. Bina has brought on are diverse in their skillset, but all equally dedicated to resident education. To be given the opportunity to return to the hospital as an attending was a golden opportunity for me, and one for which I am grateful every day that I am here, never forgetting the immense good fortune in being given such an opportunity.

FADRA WHYTE
2018 Pediatric Dentistry, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: PEDS Faculty, San Ysidro Health, San Diego, CA
I believe in NYU Langone Dental’s commitment to care for underserved communities and wanted to continue to serve this population after graduation. Currently, I am honored to be able to provide care to pediatric patients with special health care needs, which is a population that is often left out of the current dental healthcare model. Two experiences in my residency stand out for me. First, the amount of clinical care I was able to provide prepared me to see just about any type of dental case and comprehend how to treat that patient. Second, the diverse

MICHELLE DEMPSEY
2011 AEGD, Fenway Health, Boston, MA
Current position: Dental Director, Fenway Health, Boston, MA
The NYU Langone Dental residency program is a great year of exposure to general dentistry and a great way to transition from a student dentist to a confident practitioner treating patients. I’m thankful for the variety of procedures, treatment opportunities and guidance that I received to enhance my skills, confidence and efficiency.
AMIR YAVARI
2017 Pediatric Dentistry, Providence, RI
Current position: Part-time PEDI faculty in Providence, RI

NYU Langone Dental Medicine’s Pediatric Dentistry Residency is so much more than a program! It feels like part of the community and that’s why I joined the program as faculty. It is always a pleasure to be part of a professional team with extraordinary experience in promoting dental care in the community.

MICHAEL G. HATTEN
2018 Pediatric Dentistry, Providence, RI
Current position: PEDI Attending at Providence Community Health Center, Providence, RI

As a former New York City public school teacher, I always wanted to remain involved in education. Being a part-time faculty member with NYU Langone Dental Medicine gives me the opportunity to teach the residents, to encourage them to enrich themselves with additional education and international outreach opportunities, and to convey the skills and experiences I gained in private practice to help the residents prepare for graduation.

GRETCHEN HENSON
2012 Pediatric Dentistry, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Pediatric Dentist, Faculty of NOAH (Neighborhood Outreach Access to Health)

Public Health and service has always been an important part of my professional career. I chose NYU Langone Dental Medicine/Lutheran Medical Center because they embody the same principals of patient-centered care, service and community. My research project with Dr. Raj Adhia, Senior Associate Director - Brooklyn, focused on how the teaching experience during residency can influence future career choices. I am proud to be a part of the NYU Langone Dental family.

rori ogden schmit
2014 AEGD, Upstate, NY
Current position: Chief Dental Officer at Hometown Health Centers; Residency Coordinator for NYU Langone Dental Medicine, Upstate NY

During my residency, I had a very special patient that ignited my passion for a career in community health dentistry. This patient was a young, beautiful woman in her early twenties that destroyed her teeth due to drugs. The patient was in a drug rehab program, was taking suboxone, and wanted to turn her life around. She had caries on every tooth. It took me my entire year of residency to complete all her extractions, fillings, root canals, and prosthetic work, but we stayed committed to each other to finish the treatment plan. In the end, she gave me a big hug because she could finally smile proudly. This allowed her to find a job, a house, and remain clean. What she didn’t know, is she changed my life more than I changed hers. She gave me the gift of finding my dream career path.

SonIa KohlI
2000 GPR, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Attending, Brooklyn, NY; teach Invisalign to the residents

The residency program in 2000 was like a growing family where we got nurtured and were taught so much that shaped our careers for the future. I had graduated from an Ivy League (Columbia) and even from a great school, the attention and care that I received at then Lutheran Medical Center made me so much more confident to actually go out in the work force. The attendings were great and the ratio of attending to resident dentist was practically 1:1. We did not have all the specialty programs, and so that made our education and learning even more priceless. We had a tremendous flow of patients and everything was kept in house so we ended up learning so much from our attendings. I became so attached to the program that when given the opportunity to stay and impart to younger residents what was taught to me, I was so overjoyed! Even today the comradery remains so strong. Many of the attendings are graduates from the program. That itself speaks for the program.

Barbara OttENIO
1998 AEGD, 1999 GPR, Chief GPR Resident 2000, Brooklyn, NY
I have always believed in our mission and our pursuit for optimal resident education. Being part of a team and knowing we are working on outcomes that would benefit our organization. Having the pleasure to call some of the best faculty my mentors, colleagues, and now friends.

Richard gyles
2006 Pediatric Dentistry, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Associate Director, Pediatric Dentistry Program, Brandon, Fl.

After residency, I accepted a one day a week position as an attending pediatric dentist with Lutheran Medical Center AEGD program in Albany. It was this experience that opened my eyes to teaching. When I was offered the position to develop the pediatric dentistry site in Florida, accepting the position was a no brainer. Dr. Silvia Perez-Spiess, the founder of the pediatric dentistry program, was a positive influence in my life. Her vision was to train residents that are willing to give back to the community they serve. What I enjoyed most about the program at the main site in Brooklyn was that we had the opportunity to work alongside faculty and residents in GPR, AEGD, and PEDIs all within a hospital setting.

Elizabeth KrausE
2017 & 2018 GPR (PGY1 and PGY2 resident), Brooklyn, NY
Current position: GPR attending at main site, satellite clinics, and works for NYU Langone Dental School Health Program

Overall this residency has prepared me to be ready to take on any patient and any case that may come my way. It has truly changed my life and helped me discover what it is I want to do within the dental profession and for that I will forever be grateful. As a bonus, I have found a family and a home here and cannot wait to see what the future holds.
volunteering at local soup kitchens, organizing holiday events for sick children and participating in food drives were a few of the ways the program contributed to the local community.

IMRAN AHMED
2019 GPR, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Dental Provider, Seventh Avenue Family Health Center, Southwest Brooklyn, NY

A big reason I’ve chosen to stay with NYU Langone Dental Medicine is because of the camaraderie that nurtures an environment for growth and progress. My residency program has further fortified the importance of providing quality care to the diverse community we see, and instilled in me the confidence and skill to overcome challenging cases.

OLUTAYO (TAYO) ODUSANWO
2019 Pediatric Dentistry.
Holyoke Health Center, MA
Current position: Faculty at Providence Community Health Center, MA

The NYU Langone Dental Medicine’s unique residency model of training dental professionals whilst providing care to the underserved and under insured is one that has resonated with me since completing dental school in 2013. I was enrolled in the AEGD program and was an AEGD faculty before my PEDS residency. My attendings saw every patient encounter as a teaching moment, not only in terms of clinical care but taking into consideration their individual social functioning and advocating for their overall wellbeing, to enhance the quality of life of every child-patient. I aim to utilize the same model when interacting with the residents in my current role. My program helped plant my co-residents and myself as integral members of the community in Western Massachusetts. My favorite part of residency was being involved in community outreach programs. School oral health visits, volunteering at local soup kitchens, organizing holiday events for sick children and participating in food drives were a few of the ways the program contributed to the local community.

JOSEPH CHU
Current position: Volunteer Faculty Advisor for the AEGD program Hawaii: Dr. Sam Ishimura Director, Pediatric Dentistry Program

Lynne Gargano
1991 GPR, 1996 Pediatric Dentistry, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Senior Associate Director, Pediatric Dentistry Program

The NYU Langone Dental Medicine formerly known as Lutheran Medical Center is my family. I have been blessed to have met, learned from and befriended such amazing knowledgeable colleagues and influential professionals. This continued network has continually supported and guided my goals both personally and professionally. The least I can do is to give back to our profession that has taught me so much.

Nicholas Katchen
2012 Dental Anesthesiology, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Adjunct Clinical Instructor at Sunset Park Family Health Center, Brooklyn, NY

I returned in 2014 after completion of my pediatric residency. I enjoyed my time as a resident here and recognized the hospital’s level of growth and its importance to this community. I received excellent training as a resident. The many patients I treated in my two years as a resident, along with their various levels of medical complexity, has prepared me for any situation that arises. My experience with the different attendings were a positive example of how to be an effective educator. I want to see the most about my position is the constant learning in a fast-paced environment. I learned to prioritize issues as they arose. Most importantly, many of the doctors/auxiliary staff that I worked with as a resident are still at this hospital. Calling it a family environment is not an exaggeration.

Rajesh Adhia
2007 AEGD, 2010 Pediatric Dentistry, Brooklyn, NY
Current position: Adjunct Clinical Director of Dental School Health Program

The NYU Langone Dental Medicine residency program provided an environment for professional growth. The diverse and large patient population allowed for great experiences while helping the community. There were supportive faculty mentors that opened up the doors for many career paths and lifelong support.

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Life as a GPR Resident

Can you describe a typical day as a GPR resident?

**Dr. Krause:** As a resident you work 5 days a week and one or two Saturdays a month. You work half the time at the hospital (main site) dental clinic and the other half at your assigned off-site clinic, either Park Ridge or Park Slope. Clinic is open each day from 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m. In one week you usually work two or three days from 8-8 and the remaining days you finish at 5 p.m. In addition to clinic, you also observe and assist in the departments of medicine, anesthesia, and emergency medicine.

On a typical day in clinic you arrive at 8:00 a.m. and review your schedule for the day. At 8:15 the attending on the floor will lead a huddle and go over any announcements for the day. At 8:30 patients start arriving. In a typical day you will see about 20 patients. This can vary depending on what procedures are being done and how long treatment may take. At our hospital we are lucky to get to do a variety of procedures including restorative, complex treatment planning, oral surgery cases, fixed and removable prosthodontics, and implant placement/restorations. Lunch break is from 12-1 p.m., however there are many days where you end up working through lunch. This may be because it is an especially busy day or because a complex procedure ends up taking longer than anticipated. At the end of the day you must stay and complete your notes and package up any lab work that needs to be sent out before going home.

As a resident there are also online modules that make up the majority of the didactic curriculum. These are completed in your free time.

How often are you on call?

**Dr. Krause:** Each month a new schedule is released. On each schedule a different resident is assigned to be first call each day of the week. For example, if I am scheduled on Monday then for that entire month I am the on call doctor for Mondays.

You are usually assigned a day to be on call for about three months out of the year. Weekend call is also required. This call lasts from Saturday morning through Monday morning. You are assigned about three weekends out of the year to be first call. Residents are on call during holidays as well. The on call person is drawn out of a hat at orientation. Each day a second call is also randomly assigned in a schedule made by the chief residents.

When you are first call you are responsible for having your pager on you at all times and must respond to any pages from the hospital. During clinic hours you are in the dental clinic treating walk-in patients and also must respond to pages regarding admitted patients who require a dental consult. When clinic is closed, you are allowed to leave the hospital but must return when paged to evaluate patients with dental complaints. You then call the on call oral surgeon to discuss the case. Some treatment, such as jaw wiring or teeth...
What is it like To be an AEGD-PYG2 Resident

Each year, 15-20 PGY1 residents stay on with NYU Langone Dental Medicine for a second year of training. For internationally trained graduates this is required in many states for them to obtain a license to practice in the US. NYU Langone Dental Medicine PGY2 residents reap the rewards of advanced clinical training in dentistry and are proud to share their stories.

Dr. Almanzar: I graduated from college at Florida Atlantic University. After college I went to my parents’ native country of the Dominican Republic to earn my doctorate in dentistry. After completing dental school I practiced with my uncle who is a dentist in the Dominican Republic. I have post graduate training in periodontics and am now completing my second year of the AEGD program with a focus in oral surgery.

Why do you feel it is helping to prepare you for your future career?
Dr. Almanzar: Caring for patients in high volumes with limited time has helped me effectively treat patients and gain speed and efficiency. This will allow me to handle and treat patients in high volumes in the future.

What do you want to do after graduation?
Dr. Almanzar: After graduation, my plan is to return to my home town of Fort Lauderdale, Florida and open my own practice and work part time as a faculty member at a dental school.

What would you tell applicants, who might be interested in applying, about why they should choose an AEGD residency with NYU Langone Dental?
Dr. Almanzar: NYU Langone Dental AEGD offers a large diverse group of professors to learn from, it offers a high level of experience and has built my confidence making me feel ready to start my career. I feel ready to take on any patient case and provide quality treatment.

Are there any specific people who are particularly helpful in your residency program or who you feel have made your experience really special?
Dr. Almanzar: Dr. Daniël Gil has been my mentor and has provided me with an excellent experience in learning how to take on complex surgical extractions and go in to surgeries with a plan. Dr. Matthew Horan, Dental Director, has also been an excellent mentor, who has provided me with the skills to take on and handle difficult patients, and I have learned from him to look effectively with compassion for employees and staff.

Dr. Almanzar will graduate in June 2020 from the Harbor Health Community Services Dynamic Network of Locations in Massachusetts.

What is your background?
Dr. Almanzar: I always had a passion for a profession in healthcare. After shadowing several dentists I realized dentistry fulfills my desire to help others and I enjoy making people smile. I couldn’t resist pursuing dentistry after seeing how a dentist could make people smile and feel better about themselves while improving the general health of others.

Why did you choose dentistry as a career?
Dr. Almanzar: I have been providing direct patient care for many years to come. I have been providing direct patient care for many years to come. I have been providing direct patient care for many years to come.

What do you enjoy most about your residency experience?
Dr. Almanzar: I enjoy most about my residency experience is working with a large group of providers and learning different approaches and techniques to solving and treatment planning to offer the best possible outcomes.

What are you looking forward to after graduation?
Dr. Almanzar: I am looking forward to starting a dental practice in the future.
NYU Langone Dental Medicine Postdoctoral Residency Program

2019 Graduation Celebration

Residents, faculty, and staff from seven postgraduate dental residency programs recognized graduates at Brooklyn’s Graduation Celebration held on June 14, 2019 at El Caribe.

Congratulations!

GPR residents award for “Attending of the Year” to Dr. Sagar Shah, “In appreciation of his dedicated service & devotion to the education of residents in the GPR Program.”

Thank you to our 2019 Graduation Celebration sponsors!
Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2019

NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD Residency Program Graduation Dinners held around the U.S.

NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program Graduation Dinners held around the U.S.
Faculty Development is the only time of year that NYU Langone Dental Medicine leadership team members, associate directors, site directors, and key faculty and staff from its training sites across the country and the Caribbean gather for networking, team building, leadership development, education and fun.

Faculty Development was held December 3-4, 2018 at The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, WV.

The Demby Award was established in honor of Dr. Neal Demby who has devoted his career to eliminating health disparities by training dentists to care for the most vulnerable in our communities. Each year, during the annual Faculty Development Conference, the award will be bestowed upon the dental professional who exhibits leadership, innovation, vision, and compassion in providing care to the underserved in a teaching environment. The first annual Demby Award was presented by Drs. Martin Lieberman, Margaret Mason, and Neal Demby to Dr. Ed Vigna, Associate Director, for his leadership, innovation, vision and compassion in providing care to the underserved in a teaching environment.

Thank you to Treloar & Heisel, Inc. for their ongoing support of NYU Langone Dental Medicine. Mr. Christian Pearson, SE Financial Services Professional/National Director of Dental Partnerships presented a check for $10,000 to Drs. Margaret Mason, Vice President and Senior Administrator, and Martin Lieberman, Vice President, Graduate Dental Education, to support continuing education for dental professionals.
Longer Teeth or Teeth No Longer? Clinical Crown Lengthening for Optimal Restorative Outcomes
1 CE Credit
Mia L. Gieszler, DDS, MS
Director, Hand and Microsurgical Education, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Roseenberg and colleagues (1986) listed the following indications for surgical clinical crown elongation:
1. Tooth decay at or below the gingival margin
2. Tooth fractures below the gingival margin with adequate remaining periodontal support and attachment
3. Teeth with excessive buccal or facial overcontouring
4. Teeth with significant interproximal spaces for necessary restorative procedures
This course will focus on the treatment of carious, fractured, or worn teeth with inadequate clinical crown height to allow for restorative ferrule. Alternative treatment therapies including orthodontic extrusion, surgical extraction and tooth replacement, and intentional endodontic therapy will be considered and the risks and benefits will be addressed. Optimal patient and site selection will be discussed and sample cases presented for a treatment planning discussions. A step-by-step approach to surgical crown lengthening will be presented and common pre- and intra-surgical pitfalls will be discussed. A review of the post-surgical healing phases and complication management will be reviewed with participants and a timeline to restorative sequelae will be presented. A brief discussion of alternative instrumentation, including use of hard and soft tissue lasers, will be addressed within the course.

Pediatric Panel Discussion
Dental management of pediatric patients with special health care needs
1 CE Credit
Win-Yen Chan, DDS, LC Infectious Disease, Pediatric Dentistry
Gia Stukemann, DDS
A case-based learning experience for management of pediatric dental patients with a variety of special health care needs (CCCHN)

The Struggling Resident
2 CE Credits
Ms. Deborah Considine & Ms. Marie Ellias

Overprescribing antibiotics: But it isn’t my fault
2 CE Credits
Babak Esmail, DMD & Matt Kant, DDS, MA

Moderator: Robert Goldberger, DDS, MA
Program Director, Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry

The dangers of inappropriate antibiotic usage will be discussed as well as evidence-based guidelines for proper usage. Attendees will obtain a better understanding of antibiotic resistance and how to better educate our patients. This interactive course will introduce early warning signs of struggling residents and outline actions to take at various points along the way, to help mitigate and prevent catastrophes. Participants will engage in group exercises, geared at changing recruitment practices.

Promoting the HPV Vaccine: An Opportunity for Medical-Dental Collaboration
1 CE Credit
Christina A. Dampoolus, DDS, MPH
Program Director, Advanced Education in Dental Public Health

The course introduces evidence-based practices for promoting the HPV vaccine. The session will address the increasing importance of HPV associated and opportunistic infections and the potential to increase the HPV vaccine in healthcare settings. Examples of effective communication with parents regarding the HPV vaccine will be discussed.

“Jumping into the deep end: the why & how of special care dentistry”
1 CE Credit
Maurice McCready Perry, DDS, MPA, MA Ed

Moderator: Margaret Mason, DDS, MA
VP and Chief Administrator, Pediatric Dentistry

These trends will have an impact on the future of the dental profession? What will be the impact on how we approve or endorse individual courses or instructors, nor does it imply acceptance of credit hours by boards of dentistry. ADA CERP provider contact: Dr. Barbara M. Ottenio, BarbaraM.Ottenio@nyulangone.org.

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Program Director, Exodontology
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Message from Anna D’Emilio, Program Director, Advanced Education in General Dentistry

CLINICAL TRAINING SITES MEET ADA CODA STANDARDS

Each year the AEGD program undergoes a number of accreditation visits of its affiliated clinical training sites by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) of the American Dental Association (ADA).

The purpose of an accreditation visit is to ensure that both the program and the clinical training sites meet criteria and standards for postdoctoral general dentistry education and training established by CODA.

Our clinical training site partners are aligned with the program’s mission and successfully integrate the educational model into their practice to create an exceptional training experience for our residents and to the benefit of the patients served by our residents. The clinical training sites contribute substantial resources to the residents to advance their education beyond dental school and to prepare them for their future endeavors in the academic and clinical dental environments.

The program would like to acknowledge the following sites who recently have undergone a CODA site visit, with excellent results for our NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry program’s 41 new Diplomates are listed below.

Please find below the updated overall results for our NYU Langone Dental Medicine Peds graduates ABPD QE and OCE pass rates. Note that the national averages for the 2018 QE and OCE pass rates were 81% and 79%, respectively.

Congratulations on a job well-done!!

Dental School Health Program

As of October 2019, the Dental School Health (DSH) Program, part of Family Health Centers at NYU Langone now has 41 dental sites in all 5 New York City boroughs. The DSH Program provides dental services, along with health education, impacting nearly 7,000 school aged children in the region.

Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry Program Expansion

NYU Langone Dental Medicine’s Postdoctoral Residency Program added its 34th pediatric dentistry training site as of August 2019. Dr. Untray Brown, PEDS program alumnus ’98, will oversee the program as associate director. The site has been approved for 4 positions, but will recruit 2 residents during the post-match cycle which begins the last week of January 2020. It will be located at NYU Winthrop Hospital in the long island affiliate of NYU Langone Health and is ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of the top 10 New York metro-area hospitals. NYU Winthrop Hospital and NYU Langone Medical Center fully merged in August 2019.

Congratulations to the following sites who recently have undergone a CODA site visit, with excellent outcomes and ultimately, CODA approval.

NYU Langone % Diplomate Status

88.3% NYU Langone % Passed QE

85.0%

Program News

NYU Langone Dental Medicine Postdoctoral Residency Program

Message from Daniel Kane, Program Director, Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW NYU Langone Dental Medicine ABPD DIPLOMATES:

The American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD) released the 2018 Diplomate announcement at the link, https://www.abpd.org/Blog/20181207/229/Congratulations-2018-Board-Certified-Diplomates.aspx, and the list of our new NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry program’s 47 new Diplomates are listed below.

Congratulations and gratitude to our clinical training site partners!

NYU Langone Dental Medicine
DR. NEAL DEMBY TO RECEIVE GIES AWARD

Congratulations to Dr. Neal Demby, Senior Advisor, Graduate Dental Education for NYU Langone Dental Medicine on his selection as a Gies Award winner! The ADEA/Gies Foundation announced recipients of the William J. Gies Awards for Vision, Innovation, and Achievement in Academic Dentistry and Oral Health. The 2020 honorees will be recognized during a celebration to be held March 16, 2020 in National Harbor, MD. Dr. Demby will receive the Gies Award for Vision in the Dental Educator category.

DR. HENSON Featured in Dentistry Today

Dr. Gretchen Henson, ’11, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry Program Alumni and faculty at Neighborhood Outreach Access to Health in Scottsdale, AZ was featured in the November issue of Dentistry Today, “Delta Dental of Arizona Ramps Up SDF Treatment” —Dr. Henson, a pediatric dentist at Neighborhood Outreach Access to Health (NOAH) is shown with a young patient after an SDF application.

INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS NEWS

Congratulations to Dr. Martha Mutis, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Dental Public Health alumna ’17, who received a special recognition from the International College-International College of Dentists (ICD). As Chief Operating and Learning Officer for the International Task Forces – Colombia Task Force group, she accepted a meritious award from ICD for leadership—developing educational missions and academic programs promoting dental humanitarian topics in different US dental meetings over the last 5 years. In the picture Dr. Mutis is with the ICD International President, Dr. Clive Ross and the General Secretary, Dr. John Hungerman.

DR. BARBARA OTTENIO INDUCTED AS NEW FELLOW

Congratulations to Dr. Elias Morón, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Dental Public Health 2018 graduate and member of the Committee of Programs and Academic Affairs at the (HDA) Hispanic Dental Association. He received Honorable Mention for the Loevser Graduate Student Mentor Award for Outstanding Achievement in Dental Public Health. One of his projects, with the invaluable advice of Drs. Scott Tomar and Jay Buhler, was selected to receive this special mention.

DR. NAOMI SEDANI SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Congratulations to Dr. Naomi Sedani, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry resident-Brooklyn, NY site. Dr. Sedani was the recipient of a NuSmile Summit scholarship to attend the Summit conference on Feb. 15-16, 2019 in Clearwater Beach, FL. Dr. Sedani learned about anterior and posterior zirconia crowns along with the new permanent front molar zirconia crowns by NuSmile. She participated in a day long hands on workshop to learn how to place these new crowns. Following the conference, she’s been sharing her knowledge with her fellow residents.

ENDODONTIC PROGRAM GRADUATES BOARD CERTIFIED

Congratulations to NYU Langone Dental Medicine Endodontics Program graduates, Drs. Wendy Rosen, Cristina Martinez, and Savita Singh with Drs. Robert Goldberger, Program Director, and Mark Kunin, Associate Director, who recently became board certified by the American Board of Endodontics, April 2019.

Awards & Honors

NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry Alumna, Dr. Ferishta Faqeeri, ’18 from Nashville, TN program site, received the Richard C. Pugh Achievement Award for scoring in the top 3% nationally on the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry Qualifying Exam.

Dr. Faqeeri also received the James R. Roche Award of Excellence given to the candidate who achieves the highest score on the Qualifying Examination given by the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Faqeeri was recognized by the Foundation of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry at the Recognition Ceremony and New Diplomate Pinning Ceremony of the ABPD on May 23, 2019 in Chicago, IL. “This is testament to hard work, our great residents and faculty, our curriculum and our program model,” said Dr. Daniel Kane, Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry Program Director. “We’re so proud of you, Dr. Faqeeri.”
Awards & Honors

DR. RATRICE JACKSON RECEIVES AAP RECOGNITION AWARD

Dr. Ratrice Jackson, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry resident in Florida, was selected for the 2019 Resident Recognition Award by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) Pediatric Resident Committee. This was developed to recognize pediatric dental residents doing innovative and interesting activities during their training programs. She was featured on the AAPD website, featured in Pediatric Dentistry Today (PDT) and was recognized with an award plaque during the awards ceremony at the annual AAPD meeting in May 2019.

DR. CLAUDIA A. SERNA NAMED INTERIM PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Dr. Claudia A. Serna, a 2016 alumna of NYU Langone Dental Medicine’s Public Health residency program was named Interim Graduate Program Director, Master of Public Health at Dr. Kira’s Pales, College of Osteopathic Medicine at Nova Southeastern University. A huge congrats to Dr. Serna!

DR. JOHN CELONA HONORED WITH AWARD FOR SERVICE

Congratulations to Dr. John Colona, long-time NYU Langone Dental Medicine faculty member. Dr. Colona was honored June 12, 2019 at The Water Club in New York City at the Founder’s Hall Academy’s Inaugural Principal’s Dinner. He received the Sisters of St. Joseph Award for Service & Dedication to Mission.

DR. SUSAN HERNANDEZ FEATURED IN MAGAZINE

Congratulations Dr. Susan Hernandez, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry faculty member. Dr. Hernandez was featured in Jovial Edge Magazine Fall 2019 issue in their 9th annual 40 under 40 list, most interesting, and most innovative dentists in America.

DR. DOMENIC CALUORI RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Dr. Domenic Caluori for his completion as a fellow in the 2016-2017 National Program Center for Clinical Scholars. Dr. Reznik is a NYU Langone Dental Medicine Associate Director of our AEGD Program in Atlanta, GA. Clinical Scholars is a leadership development opportunity for practitioners from diverse fields of health care. Interdisciplinary teams of health care providers collaborate across sectors, tackling complex health problems in those communities, and building a culture of health nationwide.

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CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH IN HAWAII NAMED AFTER DR. DAVID R. BREESE

Kokua Kalihi Valley named their dental program the Dr. David R. Breese CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH on August 12, 2019.

Dr. David Breese joined Kokua Kalihi Valley (KKV) in February of 1979 and has provided public health-focused vision, passion, leadership, and steadfast commitment to KKV and the community for more than 40 years. His selfless dedication to his patients and to vulnerable populations has had great impact far beyond Kalihi Valley and has made KKV a pioneer in ensuring that oral health is integral to individual and community well-being and quality of life.

UNDER THE LEADERSHIP AND VISION OF DR. BREESE, KOKUA KALIHI VALLEY:

• Created Kalihi’s school-based sealant program - the first of its kind in the state - bringing oral assessments and preventive dental services to Kalihi schools and referring students to the main clinic for ongoing care and a dental home.
• Helped to bring the now NYU Langone Dental Medicine Advanced Education in General Dentistry, Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry, and Dental Public Health Residency Programs to Hawaii.
• Initiated a partnership with the Dental Hygiene Program at the University of Hawaii at Manoa which is now an indispensable resource for meeting the oral health needs of the Kalihi community and provides a dental home for thousands of individuals each year.

NYU LANGONE DENTAL MEDICINE FACULTY AND STAFF HONORED AT 25 YEAR CLUB CELEBRATION

NYU Langone Health held its annual 25 Year Club Celebration on September 17, 2019 at The Liberty Warehouse in Brooklyn, NY. Those recognized for 25 years or more of service from NYU Langone Dental Medicine included Dr. Linda Kotmel, Margarita Rosa, Sophie Salce, and Maria Escalera. Dr. Neal Demby was the only employee recognized for 50 years of service. Congratulations to all for their commitment, dedication, and service!

Above: Dr. David Breese being recognized by Honolulu Council Members along with KKV staff and friends on August 7, 2019 at the Kapolei Hale.
Loreina Tam, MPA
NYU Langone Dental Medicine, Graduate Dental Education, Assistant Director

Loreina Tam, MPA joined NYU Langone Dental Medicine, Graduate Dental Education (GDE) in August 2019 as the Assistant Director working alongside Dr. Martin Lieberman, VP for GDE. Loreina has administrative and financial responsibility for the GDE Programs, including Brooklyn and remote training sites. She works closely with the SVP for Network Integration at NYULH, Dental Medicine leadership, the FHC senior clinical and administrative team, and the Graduate Medical Education (GME) office at NYU Langone. Loreina is involved in grant funded programs in accordance with guidelines from leadership and will also develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure compliance with NYU Langone GME and accrediting body policies. Other essential responsibilities include onboarding and life cycle management for staff, faculty and trainees, financial planning and reporting, consolidated GDE budget oversight, management of contracts within GDE and quality improvement activities. Loreina received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Sciences from Stony Brook University and holds a Master of Public Administration degree in Health Administration from Long Island University. NY. Loreina most recently was the Division Administrator for Emergency Medicine’s Education Division overseeing all their GME, GME and UME programs at NYU Langone, Manhattan campus.

Eliot George
NYU Langone Dental Medicine, Graduate Dental Education, Assistant Director

Eliot George joined NYU Langone Dental Medicine in August 2019 as an Assistant Director, Graduate Dental Education. In this new role Eliot supports financial management and strategic planning activities for the Education and Clinical missions. He is responsible for tracking and reporting operating and financial results, developing strategies to facilitate growth and leveraging his strong analytical skills to improve workflows. In addition, Eliot oversees practice operations at Southwest Brooklyn Dental working closely with local leadership. Prior to assuming his role Eliot was the Administrative Manager for Physician Assistant and Ambulatory Behavioral Health where he focused on process improvements and leveraging data to improve productivity, patient engagement and access to care. Eliot started at NYU in 2010 on the Strategy, Planning & Business Development Team. He holds an MBA from NYU Stern School of Business.

Mairaj Ahmed, DDS, MS, ABO
NYU Langone Dental Medicine, Chair and Program Director of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics

Dr. Ahmed joined NYU Langone Dental Medicine as Chair and Program Director of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics during the Summer of 2019. Dr. Ahmed’s postgraduate training includes an oral/maxillofacial internship at the Lancaster Clef Palate Clinic, a residency in orthodontics/dentofacial orthopedics at Montefiore Medical Center and a left transmaxillary fellowship at the Children’s Hospital at Montefiore. In parallel with the fellowship, he completed a NIH sponsored Masters in Clinical Research Methods at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. In addition to previously being the sole owner of three successful private practices, Dr. Ahmed has held teaching, research and clinical positions at Mount Sinai Medical Center, Montefiore Medical Center, Jacobi Medical Center, Westchester Medical Center and the New York Eye & Ear Infirmary. Dr. Ahmed is on the Medical Advisory Boards of the National Cleft Foundation and Medlife Foundation. He lectures internationally and publishes widely, specifically in the fields of maxillofacial orthopedics, craniofacial growth and development, lip/palate and nickel titanium closed coil springs in orthodontic biomechanics. Most recently, the following article was published in the November 2019 edition of the Journal of Craniofacial Surgery: “Fabrication of Nasalabular Molding Devices for the Treatment of Cleft Lip and Palate, Using Stereolithography Additive Manufacturing Processes and Computer-Aided Design Manipulation Software.”

Thanks to existing state of the art infrastructure, the Orthodontic Division at NYU Langone Dental Medicine is positioning itself to be a leader in using hard and soft tissue visualization technology for the purposes of evidence based virtual treatment planning and outcomes assessment. These systems will allow faculty and residents to be at the forefront of innovative clinical/translational research.

Ultrad Brown, DDS, MPH
NYU Langone Dental Medicine, Associate Director, Pediatric Dentistry - Winthrop Hospital site

Dr. Brown joined the Department of Dental Medicine at NYU Winthrop Hospital following his prior position at Interfaith Medical Center in the role of the Director of the Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry for the Department of Dental Medicine. Dr. Brown is a graduate of the School of Dental Medicine at Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Brown graduated with his DDS degree from New York University College of Dentistry, New York, NY. He subsequently completed his General Practice Residency with Montefiore Medical Center.

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Dr. Tumouh Al-Allaq, AEGD site director and continuing education director arranged an annual workshop for the NYU Langone Dental AEGD residency program by DMG America using the ICON system in Princess Anne, Maryland.

ICON is a minimally invasive restorative treatment for post-orthodontic white-spot lesions, mild to moderate fluorosis and selective cases of congenital hypocalcification and demineralization. This is the first time in history that ICON has hosted a workshop within a residency program. This workshop was overseen by Ken Berkley, DMG America’s Director of Business Development, who emphasized the techniques of application and management, chairside for the AEGD residents. This opportunity is given to our AEGD residents to experience the efficiency and efficacy of the treatment using resin infiltration with a minimally invasive material and technique. It consists of two components, including a presentation on the uses of ICON and its indications, and hands-on patient treatment on selected cases.

Dr. Tumouh Al-Allaq, AEGD site director and continuing education director administered the first Invisalign certification course for all NYU Langone residency programs in Maryland.

Congratulations to Dr. Barbara Ottenio, NYU Langone Dental Medicine’s Director of Curriculum, Graduate Dental Education, and Director of Continuing Education, Dental Medicine, who presented during the 2019 American Dental Education Association Annual Session & Exhibition. Dr. Ottenio presented on “Faculty Development: Impact on Individual & Organization” during the ADEA Conference held in Chicago, IL, March 16-19, 2019.

Dr. Tina Talesh ’19, NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD NYU College of Dentistry site presenting at the NYU Dentistry Annual Research Day, 4/10/19 with Dr. Peter Mychajliw, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Associate Director -AEGD NYU COD. Dr. Talesh also presented a scientific e-poster oral presentation at the AGD National meeting July 17, 2019 at the Mohigan Sun Conference Center. CT. Only the top 30 submissions in all PGY levels are selected by the AGD Scientific Council for live finalist competition.

NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD residents from Chesapeake Health Care in Princess Anne, MD participate in an implant course as part of their residency training.

Dr. Matt Holder, Global Medical Advisor, Special Olympics, presented during the One Voice AADMD Pre-Conference held at the Eastman Institute for Oral Health, Rochester, NY. He spoke about IDD services provided by Lee Specialty Clinic, a NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD training site in Kentucky.

NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD Program residents and faculty in California received hands-on Invisalign training from Dr. Sonia Kohli, attending in Brooklyn, NY, week of February 4, 2019.

Congratulations to Dr. John Kiang, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry Alumnus ’16 (RI site) and current faculty, was published in the Jan/Feb 2019 AAPD Pediatric Dentistry Journal based on his research he started while in residency and on rotation at the Refugee Clinic at Hasbro Children’s Hospital. His research: “Oral Health and Dental Clinic Attendance in Pediatric Refugees” is co-authored with Brown University Medical Residents as well as Dr. Lewis, a faculty mentor for the Pediatric Medicine rotation. This was a true testament to the quality of research, interdisciplinary collaborations, and passionate residents who question and seek answers.

Message from Mary E. Northridge, Director of Dental Research

EDUCATIONAL PRIORITIES

Over the past year, under the leadership of our Executive, Gary E. Kalkut, MD, MPH, the Research Office is committed to fulfilling its educational mission of supporting dental faculty and residents in conducting studies that improve patient and population health. Day in and day out, Tina Littlejohn, MSW, guides all investigators at Dentalresearch@nyulangone.org in gaining Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval for their studies at the newly named NYU Robert I. Grossman School of Medicine. Similarly, under the supervision of Andrea B. Troxel, ScD, Director of the Division of Biostatistics, Yinxuan Wu, MA and Jinchun Zhang, PhD Candidate provide statistical support to dental faculty and residents at Dentalstats@nyulangone.org, both at the proposal development and analysis phases of their research. Given the increasingly interconnected systems-wide handling of research at NYU Langone Health, it is essential that all dental faculty and residents conducting research complete the two required Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) basic courses (Biomedical Research and Good Clinical Practice) and all necessary financial conflict of interest disclosures online prior to IRB review of their studies.

Externally funded research projects

Three externally funded research projects that we hope to scale up upon successful completion are presented below to illustrate the direction of the Research Office in fulfilling its goal of promoting oral health equity.

NYU BEER 2021-2474 (Northridge/Treinh-Shevit/ Metcalf)
09/12/2017-09/11/2020 NIH/NIHBC
Implementing a Participatory, Multi-level Intervention to Improve Asian American Health
The ultimate goal of this study is to provide information for the design and implementation of a randomized controlled trial of a participatory, multi-level, partnered (i.e., with community stakeholders) intervention to improve the oral and general health of low-income Chinese American adults.

NYU COD 100877 (Northridge/Ginsburg) 10/01/2018-09/30/2020 NCULYU teeth and bone: Preventive Cancer Center Prevention of HPV-related Cancer Disparities through Chairside Screening and Vaccination Referral
The major goals of this project are to: (1) develop a culturally and linguistically appropriate intervention for Chinese American communities, (2) pilot the feasibility and acceptability of clinical decision support to be later embedded into the electronic health record for use by dentists in chairside in encouraging HPV vaccination; and (3) assess the effectiveness of a community health worker intervention in HPV vaccine uptake and series completion.

NYU BEER 30391 (Demby)
09/01/2016-08/31/2021 HRSA
Dental Faculty Development and Loan Repayment Program
The overall purpose of the program is to increase access to oral health care through continued training, recruitment, retention, and loan repayment of a diverse and culturally competent dental workforce.

As part of this award, the following pilot study gained IRB approval:

Oral Pathology Asynchronous Tele-mentoring Pilot Study (Mohadjeri-Franck)
The purpose of the proposed research project to evaluate and enhance the feasibility of integrating a tele-mentoring component into the identification of oral lesions at the six dental clinics of Family Health Centers at NYU Langone.

Program grant and evaluation support
The Research Office is committed to providing grant and evaluation support to our programs, notably through the NYU Langone Dental Medicine network under the direction of Martin Lieberman, DDS, MA, and the Dental School Program under the direction of Margaret K. Mason, DMD, MA. For instance, our team contributed research and scientific writing expertise that resulted in securing the following award:

HRSA-19-079 (Mason) 09/01/2019-08/31/2020 HRSA

Oral Health Infrastructure
The purpose of this supplemental award to the Section 101 Public Health Service Health Act Health Center Program (Family Health Centers at NYU Langone, PI: McReynolds) is to purchase equipment and supplies to establish new dental services at one existing health center and six school-based health center sites.

Peer-reviewed publications
It is critically important for dental faculty and residents to publish the results of their research and practice projects in the scientific literature, as both their ethical responsibility in accepting public support for their projects, and in order to obtain employment and promotion. First authorship conveys intellectual ownership of the work, senior (last) authorship conveys infrastructure support of the research and membership of the study investigators. Below is a sampling of peer-reviewed articles published over the past year by dental faculty and residents across programs.


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Source Of: Commentary: The role of dentists and primary care physicians in the care of patients with sleep-related breathing disorders. / Front Public Health. 2018;6:354.


AEGD: Tina Taleah, DMD
Mentor: Peter Myskal, DDS
Title: A novel approach to patient satisfaction attainment
Site: NYU College of Dentistry, New York, NY
Synopsis: This presentation illustrates a novel and conservative approach to address the patient’s chief concern of smile embarrassment.

AEGD: Pablo Bautista, DDS
Mentor: Marc Resenwald, DDS
Title: Literature review on pain management on third molar extraction surgeries along with 12-month retrospective study on the pain management used at NYU Langone. AEGD at Roseman University during the 2017-2018 academic year.
Site: Roseman University of Health Sciences, South Jordan, UT
Synopsis: This presentation will present the results of a survey to determine the differences among endodontists and their...
Meetings & Events

GREATER NY DENTAL RECEPTION

Another successful Greater NY Dental Reception held on Nov. 28, 2018 with Drs. Bernard Tolpin, Martin Lieberman, Bahak Bima, Jeffrey Burns, Bethany Harris, Sonia Kohli, and John Albano.

YANKEE DENTAL CONGRESS RECEPTION

NYU Langone Dental Medicine Yankee Dental Congress Reception with alumni, faculty, current and prospective applicants, held on Feb. 1, 2019 in Boston, MA.

FIRST GRADUATING CLASS ENDODONTIC PUERTO RICO

Endodontic alumni, faculty, and residents gather during a special reception held during the American Association of Endodontics Meeting in Montreal, Canada, April 11, 2019. First graduating class from NYU Langone Dental Medicine’s Endodontic Puerto Rico Program, 2011 graduates, Drs. Dannelly Gonzalez, Joel Rodriguez, and Patrick Ng-a-fook.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ENDODONTISTS RECEPTION

NYU Langone Dental Medicine Endodontic Program leaders Drs. Robert Goldberger, Program Director, Marc Kunin, Associate Director, and Jonathan Kamen with alumni, current and prospective residents at the AAE Reception.

3RD ANNUAL SILVIA PEREZ-SPIESS CONFERENCE A SUCCESS!

NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry alumni, faculty, residents, and San Diego area dental professionals attended the Annual Silvia Perez-Spiess Conference and Reunion held on Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019 at Rady Children’s Hospital in San Diego, CA. Continuing dental education credits were awarded for the one day course titled, "Wake Up Pediatric Dentists: What you should know about Pediatric Obstructive Sleep Apnea (POSA)."
Meetings & Events

AAPD PUBLIC POLICY CONFERENCE

NYU Langone Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry residents and faculty from Three Lower Counties in Maryland participated in the Annual American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) Public Policy Conference held February 24–28, 2019 in Washington, DC.

In the picture: Peds MD residents Tamara Bell, Joe Dillmedotto, Summer Cerealo, Steve Prieve, Megan Golia, Peds MD Faculty attending, Dr. Jerry Casper, Peds MD Associate Director, Dr. Mariella De Stefano with Congressman Andy Harris.

AAPD MEETING IN CHICAGO


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NYU Langone Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry Alumni, Faculty and Staff at the 2019 AAPD Meeting in Chicago, May 23–26

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY VENDOR FAIR

Drs. Shuya Bi and Mariam Habib, NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD residents from Christ Community Health Services with Dr. David Stillwell, NYU Langone Dental Medicine Senior Associate Director, speak with prospective residents about the NYU Langone Dental programs at the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry Vendor Fair on Oct. 3, 2019.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF DENTIST ANESTHESIOLOGISTS ANNUAL MEETING

NYU Langone Dental Medicine Dental Anesthesiology Program faculty, alumni, residents and friends gathered at La Cantina-Vista during the American Society of Dental Anesthesiologists Annual Meeting in Chicago, Il. on Friday, April 26, 2019.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NYU LANGONE PEDS HALLOWEEN THROW-DOWN CHAMPIONS

The team at the Suncoast Community Health Center in Florida was a 3-time holder of bragging rights for the annual throw-down in 2018!

2019 Halloween Throwdown Champions – Holyoke Health Center in Massachusetts.
NYU Langone Dental Medicine mourns the loss of Dr. Sanjeeri Deopujari.

Dr. Sanjeeri Deopujari (pictured front and center) completed the AEGD program in 2017 at NYU Langone Dental Medicine’s NYU College of Dentistry location. She received her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from NYU College of Dentistry in 2016. Sanjeeri and her husband, Kaustubh Nirmal were among the 34 people who died tragically aboard the 75-foot vessel, called the Conception off Santa Cruz Island during a three-day diving excursion over Labor Day weekend, 2019.

She was born in Nagpur, India in 1988 to Satish (father), a renowned Nagpur-based pediatrician and Fandhya Deopujari (mother).

“Sanjeeri had an immediate positive impact when she joined our professional family,” said Dr. Chrystalla Orthodoxou, NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD Co-Program Director at NYU College of Dentistry. She took pride in working and training as a resident at her alma mater. She was a wonderful person who understood the meaning of the word “team.” Following her residency graduation, she joined a corporate dental organization where she became a leader in a short period of time.

“Sanjeeri was always willing to go the extra mile for anyone,” said Dr. Peter Mychajliw, NYU Langone Dental Medicine AEGD Co-Program Director at NYU College of Dentistry. She also loved adventure and was full of life. Her witty sense of humor and contagious laughter along with her smile, illuminated a room or lightened a conversation and will be sorely missed.

Sanjeeri is survived by her parents, sister Shruti and her dog, Bebe, who she adored. She was a dear friend, colleague and bright star who was taken too soon. Our most sincere sympathies and prayers to her family, friends and colleagues.

In Memory Of

Dr. Anthony DiMango

He was described as “the quintessential gentleman.”

Dr. Anthony DiMango passed away at age 95 on May 31, 2019.

Dr. Anthony DiMango, Senior Vice President, Chief of Dentistry and co-director of oral and maxillofacial surgery for Lutheran Medical Center/ NYU Langone Dental Medicine was a revered oral surgeon, a colleague, mentor, friend, educator, pioneer, & visionary. He proudly served the organization for over 57 years. At an early age, he was drafted to serve in World War II and at age 91, he was recognized for continuing to serve his fellow Americans. He shared parts of his story as a war veteran and the lessons he learned.

He was also a loving husband and father. His wife, Mafalda passed at the age of 91 on August 2, 2018. He and Mafalda had two daughters, Joanne DiMango (Orr) and Patricia DiMango. The Honorable Patricia DiMango said of her father, “he was brilliant, warm, and caring.” Dr. DiMango is a legend in Brooklyn dentistry and beloved by so many. He is missed.
Save-the-Date

Come visit us at these upcoming events 2020

NYU Langone Dental Medicine wishes to thank its corporate partners who contributed October 30, 2018-October 30, 2019. We are grateful for their continued support and commitment to our people and programs.

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SEVENTH AVENUE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER has served the Sunset Park neighborhood of Brooklyn for over 15 years and is located in Chinatown. Seventh Avenue FHC provides medical care, dental care, rehabilitation services and a wide range of social and support services. To provide the best care and service to patients in a very culturally diverse neighborhood, faculty and staff are proficient in several languages including Cantonese, Mandarin, Spanish, and Hebrew.