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Education, Training & Positions:

- 1979 – 1982:** American University of Beirut. Bachelor of Science in Biology. Multiple semesters on Dean's List.
- 9/1983 – 5/1987:** Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts. Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) degree. Class standing 13/133
- 7/1987 – 6/1989:** General Practice Residency Program at the University of North Carolina Hospitals, Chapel Hill. Served a 3-month Chief Resident rotation.
- 7/1989 – 6/1991:** Medical/Dental Geriatric Fellowship, joint programs between Duke University Medical Center's "Study of Aging and Human Development" and the University of North Carolina's Medical School's "Program on Aging".
- 7/1991 – 8/1993:** Post-doctoral Masters in Geriatric Dentistry, University of North Carolina, School of Dentistry, Chapel Hill.
- 7/1991 – 11/1998:** Founding Director of the Department of Dental Medicine at Moses Cone Health System. Title: Medical Director. Responsibilities included admitting privileges, providing dental treatment (in operating room or clinic setting) to medically compromised patients. Patient load had a high concentration of head/neck cancer patients, cardiac valve surgery patients and bleeding conditions. Administrative duties included managing the department budget and supervising staff. Served on the cancer committee for the Moses Cone Regional Cancer Center.
- 8/1992 – 9/1993:** Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Dental Ecology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Duties included training dental students in the treatment of patients with special needs (Special Care Clinic).
- 9/1993 – 1994:** Adjunct Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina, School of Medicine, Program on Aging.
- 7/1994 – 11/1998:** Adjunct Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. Served as preceptor for senior dental students on externship rotation for Hospital Dentistry. Approved externship site for Dental Students: Moses Cone Hospital and Health Systems.

- 9/1998 – 8/1999:** Served on the Moses Cone Health System Dental Peer Review Committee.
- 11/1998 – present:** Solo private practitioner in general dentistry. Maintaining a consultant status on staff at the Moses Cone Health System.
- 2001 – 2003:** Maintained position as Adjunct Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina School of Dentistry while precepting students on rotation at the Alamance County Health Department Open Door clinic.
- 6/2001:** Guilford Technical Community College Educator in the Workplace: Dental Hygiene professor spent several weeks in our office as part of a program to enhance their curriculum.
- 2003-2004:** Management student at the Schuster Center for Professional Development, Scottsdale AZ. www.cfpd.com.
- 4/2013-10/2013:** Triangle Dental Institute dental implant continuum (168 hours of CE)
- 2/2013-present:** Guest lecturer at Elon Physician Assistant School: Oral neoplasms and oral pathology one day 2hr lecture and 3 hour lab.

Professional Licensure:

- 1998:** North Carolina State Board. License is current.
- 1987:** North East Regional Boards. License in Massachusetts discontinued in 1996.

Honors and Awards:

- 2013:** Completed fellowship requirements for the International Congress of Oral Implantologists. Fellowship award receipt in Jan 2015.
- 2012:** Inducted as a Fellow into the International College of Dentistry for meritorious achievement in bringing credit to the dental profession “through devoted service and high ethical behavior” and demonstrating an abiding interest and concern for the community and the profession. About 4-5% of dentists in the US are honored with this fellowship, and 3-4% worldwide.
- 2005:** Grandfathered in as Diplomate of the American Board of Special Care Dentistry with recognized proficiency in Hospital Dentistry. At that time, there were only 107 dentists to be recognized as such in the US.
- 1989:** Fellow, American Association of Hospital Dentistry.
- 1987:** Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society
- 1987:** Tufts Alumni Clinical Proficiency Award in General Dentistry for superior clinical excellence.

- 1987:** Academy of Dentistry for the Handicapped Award for “high achievement in the undergraduate curriculum in dental care for the handicapped”.
- 1987:** American Association for Women Dentists Award for outstanding leadership and academic excellence.
- 1987:** Tufts 1987 Student Council Award for class leadership.
- 1987:** AADS/Dentsply Student achievement award for the Smile Squad.
- 1986:** American Association of Public Health Dentistry Student Merit Award for Outstanding Achievement in Community Dentistry, first place.
- 1986:** American Dental Association fellowship award for the symposium entitled “Clinical Geriatric Dentistry”.
- 1986:** George A. Bates Society Award; Smile Squad table clinic.
- 1985:** George A. Bates Society Award for “The Story of Caries”, an illustrated table clinic for children.

Current Professional Memberships::

- 1983-present:** American Dental Association
- 1987-present:** Academy of General Dentistry
- 1987-present:** Academy of Dentistry for Persons with Disabilities
- 1987-present:** Omicron Kappa Upsilon National Dental Honor Society
- 1989-present:** American Association of Hospital Dentistry
- 1991-present:** North Carolina Dental Society
- 2012-present:** International College of Dentistry
- 2013-present:** International Congress of Oral Implantology
- 2015-present:** Spear Education online
- 2016-present:** Cerec Doctors online
- 2018 -present:** Spear Study Club (Martinez)

Previous Professional Memberships:

- 1983-1987:** American Student Dental Association
- 1990-1993:** Triangle Progressive Dental Study Club
- 1990-1994:** North Carolina Head Injury Foundation
- 1990-1994:** National Head Injury Foundation
- 1991-1998:** Guilford County Dental Society
- 1993-1998:** Lagniappe Dental Study Club
- 1997-1998:** American Society for Geriatric Dentistry
- 1999-2004(?):** Alamance Caswell County Dental Society
- 2014-2015:** Office Sterilization and Asepsis Procedures (OSAP)
- 2015-2018:** Spear Study Club (Hobbs)

Research:

1993 Postdoctoral Masters Thesis: *Selected Speech and Language Characteristics of Age-Related Dentist-Patient Interactions: A Sociolinguistic Methodology.* This involved developing a methodology to objectively measure “Baby Talk”. A statistically significant difference was

noted between 3 distinct groups; 3-5 yrs old, contemporaries, healthy 70+ yrs old. This was a small sized study begging further research.

Current active Lectures and Presentations:

Topics includeDental management of Cancer Patients, of medically compromised patients, Hospital Dentistry, Communication with elderly and medically compromised patients, Communication with Cerebral Palsy and Head-injured patients.

Parkinsons' support group presentation

Hubtington's Disease Support group presentation

Oral neoplasms and oral pathology

ADDENDUM

Past Lectures, Presentations:

“Hospital Dentistry and Cancer Patients”. Lecture to the Guilford County Dental Hygiene Society in Nov.18, 1992. To the Guilford Technical Community College Senior Hygiene Students in April 1998.

“Insight on starting a hospital dental practice”. Lecture to General Practice Residents of the University of North Carolina. May 15,1992.

1993: Poster session at the Annual Speech Pathology conference regarding developing dental signs and symbols for patients with speech difficulties (Cerebral Palsy, Head injury, Stroke etc...

Endocarditis as it relates to Dentistry

Alaryngeal speech.