

# Robert Lunka, DDS, MSD

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## Education

2018-Present	<b>Virginia Commonwealth University School Of Dentistry, Pediatric Dentistry Residency-</b> Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry, M.S.D.
2018-Present	<b>Virginia Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities-</b> Semester of courses preparing professionals in caring for childhood with neurodevelopmental disabilities, collaborating with other disciplines and learn leadership and advocacy skills for working with children and their families.
2013-2014	<b>West Virginia University Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery-</b> 1 year Intern
2012-2013	<b>Beth Israel/ Jacobi Medical Center Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery-</b> 1 year Intern
2008-2010	<b>University of Virginia General Practice Residency</b> – 2 year resident -Part of the residency involved rotations through the Kluge Rehabilitation Center for Children. Performed procedures on children in the operating room at the University of Virginia Hospital
2004-2008	<b>Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry-</b> DDS Degree
1999-2003	<b>University of Virginia-</b> B.A. in biology

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## Professional Experience

2014-2018	<b>Childrens Dentistry of Charlottesville-</b> Performed dentistry on children and young adults. Certified in conscious sedation. More comprehensive cases were performed in the anesthesia center.
2010-2012	<b>D.J Bickers Family and Cosmetic Dentistry-</b> Associate dentist
2009-2016	<b>Albermarle County Jail-</b> Jail dentist on Wednesday nights.
2007	<b>VCU School of Dentistry Emergency Clinic-</b> Summer employee
2003	<b>University of Virginia Undergraduate Pre-Health Advisors Forum-</b> Participated in a Q & A forum with pre-health students on applying to dental school.

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## Awards

2020	<b>American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Pediatric Dental Resident Recognition Award-</b> Recognizes 2 residents nationally doing innovative and interesting activities in their training program. Selected residents are awarded a monetary prize, featured on the AAPD website, featured in Pediatric Dentistry Today journal, and recognized at the awards ceremony during the annual AAPD meeting.
2019	<b>Alexander Fellowship Research Grant-</b> Received full stipend for Master's thesis.
2019	<b>(ASEF) American Slovenian Education Foundation-</b> Accepted as a fellow into ASEF where I spent a week at the University Ljubljana Medical School and collaborated with other specialties in dentistry.
2019	<b>Poe Film Festival Nomination-</b> Featured actor in "Ms. Castlevine and the Help", a short film Nominated for the 2019 Pro Film Awards.

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## Research

2019-2020	<b>Master's Thesis:</b> The Effect of Virtual Reality Reality Glasses on Children with Autism in the Dental Setting.
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2020	<b>Craniofacial Telemedecine Paper:</b> created teledentistry script for pediatric dentists to use when collaborating with other specialists and families of children with craniofacial deformities via telecommunications.
2019-2019	<b>ASEF Research:</b> Comparing Dental Residency Programs In the European Union and United States.
2019-2019	<b>Published Abstract in the Virginia Dental Association Magazine:</b> Management of Oral Mucositis in Pediatric Patients Receiving Cancer Therapy: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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### **Advocacy**

2020	<b>AAPD National Lobby Day-</b> met with senators and congressmen in Washington D.C. to lobby for bills promoting the health of children and individuals with disabilities.
2019	<b>VDA State Lobby Day-</b> met with state policy makers in Richmond, VA to lobby for bills promoting the health of children and individuals with disabilities.

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### **Teaching Experience**

2019-2019	Lecture on <b>Pediatric oral surgery and medical emergencies.</b>
2019-2019	<b>Special Needs Dentistry-You Can Do It!</b> CE Course- Presenter on Medical Management of Immunocompromised Pediatric Patients.
2019-2019	<b>Interdisciplinary Care Conference-</b> represented the Pediatric Dentistry Department and presented to the other advanced education departments at VCU on "Medical Management of Immunocompromised Pediatric Patients"
2018-2019	<b>Local Anesthesia and Nitrous Oxide Administration Certification for Dental Hygienists CE Course-</b> I taught hygienists how to practically and safely use nitrous oxide in the clinic setting and how to administer local anesthesia.
2018-2018	Lectured to third-year dental students on " <b>Oral Surgery and Emergencies for the Pediatric Dental Patient</b> ".
2018-Present	Present several topics to fellow residents and faculty regarding emergency room case studies, interceptive orthodontic case studies, syndromes with micrognathia, Class III Malocclusion
2013-2014	Present Powerpoint Lectures on various topics in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery to other residents and faculty.
2013-2014	Teach and supervise dental students and GPR residents at the WVU Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinic
2012-2013	Educate and present various topics on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery to other residents and faculty.

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### **Community Outreach and Volunteer Services**

2019-2019	<b>Give kids a Smile Day-</b> Resident leader
2018-2018	<b>Richmond Public Library-</b> read stories to and taught local children about dental hygiene and diet.
2018-2018	<b>Caritas at St. John's Baptist Church-</b> Taught oral hygiene instructions and gave free dental examinations to homeless mothers and their children
2016-2017	<b>Jefferson Area CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program) Banquet -</b> Sponsor
2016-2017	<b>Autism 5k-</b> Sponsor and participant
2008-Present	<b>Charlottesville Free Clinic-</b> Provide free comprehensive dental care for children and adults at the clinic and in our general anesthesia center.
2011-2012	<b>Stony Point Volunteer Fire Department-</b> Volunteer on Thursday nights and select weekends.

2011	<b>Global Medical Brigades Honduras Trip-</b> Participated in a one week event providing volunteer dental services for children and adults in Honduras. Met with local authorities to implement preventative dental care in the communities.
2011	<b>Mission of Mercy/ Gloucester, VA-</b> Provide volunteer dental services in underprivileged areas of Virginia
2010	<b>Mission of Mercy/ Orange, VA-</b> Provide volunteer dental services in underprivileged areas of Virginia
2009	<b>Albermarle County Elementary School System-</b> Spent the day providing free dental Exams for local elementary school students.
2007	<b>Physicians for Peace Guatemala Trip-</b> Participated in a one week event providing volunteer dental services for children and adults in Guatemala City and Antigua, Guatemala. Met with local authorities to implement preventative dental care in the communities.
2007	<b>Give Kids a Smile-</b> Performed free child prophylaxis and fluoride treatment on local elementary school children
2007	<b>VCU Jamaica Project-</b> Raised money for and participated in a one week event providing volunteer dental services in Jamaica.
2007	<b>Mission of Mercy/ Grundy Virginia-</b> Provide volunteer dental services in underprivileged areas of Virginia.
2004	<b>Pediatric Outreach Project-</b> Educate 5 <sup>th</sup> grade elementary students on proper oral hygiene.
2003	<b>Mission of Mercy/ Wise, Virginia-</b> Provide volunteer dental services in underprivileged areas of Virginia.
2002-2003	<b>Charlottesville Free Clinic-</b> Dental Assistant

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### **Continuing Education**

2018-Present	<b>Dental Meetings:</b> 2018 Austin Sedation Course, 2020 Orlando AAPD Board Review, 2019 SSPD Dental Society Meeting in Atlanta, 2020 AAPD Congressional Advocacy Meeting, 2020 AAPD National Meeting (NashVirtual).
2018-2019	<b>Virginia Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (VA-LEND)-</b> participated in group projects with other specialties, took part in panel discussions and spent time at the homes of families with children who have autism on the weekends.
2014-Present	<b>Various CE courses on restorative dentistry, sedation, pediatric dentistry, trauma, etc...</b>
2013	<b>Physiologic Treatment Planning of the Edentulous Maxilla by Dr. Edmond Bedrossian-</b> Learned about surgical technique focusing on zygomatic implants.
2013	<b>Synthes Orthognathic Sawbone Workshop-</b> learned principles of surgery and utilization of instrumentation for orthognathic surgical procedures.
2012	<b>Nobel Biocare Implant Conference-</b> learned about implant placement technique and using CAD/CAM technology for full reconstructive cases.
2011	<b>Zimmer Institute Advanced Implant Placement Course (Carlsbad, Ca)-</b> Weekend course covering advanced techniques on implant placement.
2010-2012	<b>Charlottesville Oral Surgery and Dental Implant Center-</b> Observe and discuss oral and maxillofacial surgery cases on Friday mornings with Dr. Ibanez.
2010-2011	<b>Group Study with Dr. Smagalski, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon-</b> Discussed oral and maxillofacial surgery procedures, techniques, and patient management.
2010	<b>ENT Department Rotation at the UVa Hospital-</b> 2 week rotation in which I assisted and observed cases in the operating room and otolaryngology clinic.
2010	<b>Anesthesia Department Rotation at the UVa Hospital-</b> 2 week rotation in which I placed I.V.catheters, intubated O.R. patients, and learned principles in anesthesiology.

2010	<b>Clinician's Report Meeting-</b> Attended course discussing current trends in dentistry.
2010	<b>Tumor Board-</b> Coordinated with other specialists in regards to proper treatment and management of head and neck cancer patients while in residency.
2010	<b>Yankee Dental Conference-</b> Attended CE courses on various topics of dentistry.
2009	<b>ADA Annual Session Hawaii-</b> Attended CE courses on various topics of dentistry.
2008	<b>Astratech Implant Course-</b> Course on implant placement technique meeting after school hours.
2008	<b>Group Study with Dr. Perry Jones-</b> Discussed current trends in Dentistry.
2007	<b>Invisalign Certification Course with Dr. Perry Jones-</b> Participated in seminar on the mechanics of the Invisalign system.
2006	<b>Keynote Address VDA Annual Meeting Roanoke, Virginia-</b> Dr. Gordon Christenson

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### **Professional Development**

2014	<b>PVCC Public Sepaking Course</b>
2011-2012	<b>Shenandoah Valley Dental Society Mentorship Committee Chair-</b> Served as the association's representative for the VDA's Mentorship Committee.
2010-Present	<b>Charlottesville Albermarle Dental Society-</b> Member
2008-Present	<b>ADA Member</b>
2007	<b>Writer for "The Probe" Dental School Newsletter-</b> Wrote an article explaining the application/interview process for GPR Programs.
2006-2007	<b>VCU School of Dentistry Cosmetic Dentistry Club-</b> Secretary/ helped organize a series of lectures related to cosmetic dentistry.
2005-2008	<b>Psi-Omega Dental Fraternity-</b> member
2004-2008	<b>ASDA-</b> member
2004-2012	<b>Virginia Dental Association-</b> member
2004-2008	<b>VCU School of Dentistry Fundraising Committee-</b> member
2003	<b>University of Virginia Pre-Dental Society-</b> President

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### **Skills**

Present	<b>Foreign Languages:</b> Speak Spanish, Polish and Slovene
Present	<b>Public Speaking-</b> took courses and presented numerous lectures and presentations.
Present	<b>Research</b>

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**Personal Interests-** Kiteboarding, skydiving, winemaking, volleyball, whitewater kayaking, painting, reading, sailing , cooking, live music, playing music, community outreach, traveling.