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Education

2018-Present **Virginia Commonwealth University School Of Dentistry, Pediatric Dentistry Residency**- Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry, M.S.D.

2018-Present **Virginia Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities**- 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 **West Virginia University Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery**- 1 year Intern

2012-2013 **Beth Israel/ Jacobi Medical Center Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery**- 1 year Intern

2008-2010 **University of Virginia General Practice Residency** - 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 **Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry**- DDS Degree

1999-2003 **University of Virginia**- B.A. in biology

Professional Experience

2014-2018 **Childrens Dentisrty of Charlottesville**- Performed dentistry on children and young adults. Certified in conscious sedation. More comprehensive cases were performed in the anesthesia center.

2010-2012 **D.J Bickers Family and Cosmetic Dentistry**- Associate dentist

2009-2016 **Albermarle County Jail**- Jail dentist on Wednesday nights.

2007 **VCU School of Dentistry Emergency Clinic**- Summer employee

2003 **University of Virginia Undergraduate Pre-Health Advisors Forum**- Participated in a Q & A forum with pre-health students on applying to dental school.

Awards

2020 **American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Pediatric Dental Resident Recognition Award**- 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 **Alexander Fellowship Research Grant**- Received full stipend for Master's thesis.

2019 **(ASEF) American Slovenian Education Foundation**- 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 **Poe Film Festival Nomination**- Featured actor in "Ms. Castlevine and the Help", a short film Nominated for the 2019 Pro Film Awards.

Research

2019-2020 **Master's Thesis**: The Effect of Virtual Reality Reality Glasses on Children with Autism in the Dental Setting.

2020	Craniofacial Telemedicine Paper: created teledentistry script for pediatric dentists to use when collaborating with other specialists and families of children with craniofacial deformities via telecommunications.
2019-2019	ASEF Research: Comparing Dental Residency Programs In the European Union and United States.
2019-2019	Published Abstract in the Virginia Dental Association Magazine: Management of Oral Mucositis in Pediatric Patients Receiving Cancer Therapy: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Advocacy

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

Teaching Experience

2019-2019	Lecture on Pediatric oral surgery and medical emergencies .
2019-2019	Special Needs Dentistry-You Can Do It! CE Course- Presenter on Medical Management of Immunocompromised Pediatric Patients.
2019-2019	Interdisciplinary Care Conference- represented the Pediatric Dentistry Department and presented to the other advanced education departments at VCU on "Medical Management of Immunocompromised Pediatric Patients"
2018-2019	Local Anesthesia and Nitrous Oxide Administration Certification for Dental Hygienists CE Course -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 " Oral Surgery and Emergencies for the Pediatric Dental Patient ".
2018-Present	Present several topics to fellow residents and faculty regarding emergency room case studies, interceptive orthodontic case studies, syndromes with micrognathia, CIII 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.

Community Outreach and Volunteer Services

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

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

Continuing Education

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

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

Professional Development

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

Skills

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

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