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Message from your district representative

Dear District One Oral Surgery Residents,

It is with great pleasure that I was elected to serve as the district representative for a second academic year. Congratulations to all those new residents entering programs this year. Our district is the largest district within ROAAOMS and includes 23 programs across the Northeast and has a rich history of resident involvement which we hope to continue.

The ROAAOMS executive committee continues to work hard to advocate for all OMS residents. We are currently working on several exciting educational opportunities including a new resident web portal with educational, research, and financial information. I hope to involve many of you within our subcommittees this year. For all of you looking to get more involved becoming a program liaison is a great way to start. Please see the educational opportunities below and the program updates. If you see that your program does not have an update or liaison, please feel free to contact me to become your programs representative! Happy holidays.

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Clinical and Scientific Innovations for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Conference (CSIOMS)

CSIOMS will be held in Rosemont, IL April 28-30. This meeting provides a platform for discussion of current research within OMS. Residents are encouraged to submit abstracts or posters. This meeting is unique in that oral abstracts are given an actual block time during the meeting. This will allow your work to be seen and for those not presenting you will be able to interact with the researchers.

The sessions for this are as follows: Patient Safety Session, Personalized Medicine in Head and Neck Oncologic Care, Resident Oral Abstracts, and Regenerative Medicine for Dentoalveolar Reconstruction. Several speakers will present under each category.

The AAOMS is pleased to announce the Osteo Science Foundation Scholarship Fund to provide assistance to attend and participate in the 2017 Clinical and Scientific Innovations for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CSIOMS) Conference. The scholarships are available to OMS residents and fellows at accredited OMS training programs. Dental students who have been accepted or are considering applying to an OMS resident training program are also eligible for the scholarship.

If you are interested in a fellowship, research opportunities or learning about the cutting edge of our profession this will be a great conference for you.

Registration is free of charge! Conference will be held at the Rosemont Doubletree Hotel. Please visit the AAOMS CSIOMS for more information.
OMSPAC: JOIN TODAY!

OMSPAC is the only PAC that solely represents and promotes the interests of oral and maxillofacial surgeons. The PAC provides non-partisan election support for federal candidates who understand the unique role oral and maxillofacial surgeons have in the nation’s health care system and who support OMS friendly legislation.

By donating as little as $5, you can show your support for their efforts financially and also by improving the percentage of AAOMS and ROAAOMS member contributors. Be a part of the political process and help direct the profession in a positive direction by becoming a member of OMSPAC! Please visit www.omspac.org to make a contribution today!

OMS Foundation Membership

The OMS Foundation is invested in the future of our specialty by supporting cutting edge research and innovations. Become a part of this diverse community by supporting the Foundation’s mission through a Resident-Level donation, http://omsfoundation.org/support/make-a-gift

OMSNIC

OMSNICase is a collection of informative, actual patient case reports. Oral and maxillofacial surgery residents, faculty, and clinicians may submit cases. All cases submitted for consideration are reviewed and edited by the OMSNICase Review Committee. If your case is selected, a $1,000 unrestricted grant will be sent to the residency program.

For further details please visit https://www.dds4dds.com/omsnic/residents/Pages/OMSNICase.aspx

Resident Organization Education Program – a great success

This past September the Resident Organization Education Program was held on Thursday, September 22, 2016 during the AAOMS Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV. The educational program, held each year during Annual Meeting, is a terrific opportunity for residents to attend lectures and seminars geared directly to future emerging surgeons as they complete residency training and look to begin their OMS careers. This year the resident education program focused upon career development foundations, emphasizing varying practice models and transition strategies for rising OMSs.

The morning began with a discussion lead by Barry Williams, from Oklahoma-based Practice Evolutions, in contract negotiation. This discussion was well received by residents who found the discussion extremely helpful in understanding the landscape that awaits the OMS graduate. The following sessions were terrific presentations by Dr. Kayvon Haghighi DDS, MD, FACS, who discussed building and sustaining a hybrid private practice with a strong hospital presence, and Dr. R. Bryan Bell DDS, MD, FACS, who shared his vast experience with a hybrid practice model incorporating both academics and private practice.

Afternoon sessions were held which highlight varying private practice models ranging from a solo practitioner model to larger group practice models. Experience and insight included presentations from Dr. Michael J. Doherty DDS (Medford, OR), Dr. Joshua E. Everts DDS, MD (Alabaster, AL), and Dr. Jeffrey B. Carter DMD, MD (Franklin, TN). Lastly, the resident program concluded with a terrific discussion lead by Dr. Colin S. Bell DDS, MSD regarding board certification and expectations for the process following residency.

Osteo Science Foundation Travel Award Recipients

AAOMS 98th Annual Meeting

Osteo Science Foundation is proud to have supported travel awards for ten residents to attend the 98th AAOMS Annual Meeting this September in Las Vegas. The Foundation annually contributes $25,000 towards resident and faculty travel to AAOMS meetings.
The Annual Meeting award recipients include:
Wade R. Barker, Dallas, TX
Peter C. Dennis, Portland, OR
Jordan L. Diamond, Cincinnati, OH
Mark A. Green, Boston, MA
Christopher H. Kragor, Jacksonville, FL
Marek J. Ogledzki, Jacksonville, FL
Daniel C. Reece, Shaker Heights, OH
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UConn Health opened the new John Dempsey Hospital tower on May 12th, 2016, a $325 million expansion that includes 11 floors and 169 private patient rooms, bringing the hospital's total to 234 licensed beds. The new tower makes available a state of the art suite of operating rooms, an emergency department, ICU, and various other departments. The expansion is part of a larger renovation that includes the new Outpatient Pavilion and major renovations in the old hospital building, where the OMFS department will remain but move to a newer and expanded surgical suite.

On Nov 2nd, the Connecticut Society of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery hosted its annual Implant symposium, with Dr. Michael Will DDS, MD, and Dr. Kevin Oakes DDS, FACP, as speakers. The program invited all residents and attendings from the Yale New-Haven program and the UConn program, as well as surgeons from the state of CT, to discuss the direct approach to immediate implant reconstruction in hybrid cases.

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The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Boston University is pleased to announce the start of a 6-year MD-integrated Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency Program beginning July 2017. Two positions will available through the National Dental Matching Program. Simultaneously with this new 6-year program, we will still continue to offer the 4-year OMS-Certificate Residency Program for two positions. Interviews were conducted on November 3rd, and we look forward to meeting the class of 2023!

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Maria Troulis, DDS, MSc inducted into the American College of Surgeons - The Chairman of MGH Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Dr. Maria Troulis, trained as a single-degree surgeon, is among the first group of single-degree oral & maxillofacial surgeons in the US to be admitted to the American College of Surgeons. Since 2015, the AAOMS has worked with the ACS to establish a new pathway that allows eligible, single-degreed oral and maxillofacial surgeons fellowship status. Dr. Troulis now adds to nearly 300 oral surgeons who represent and advocate for our profession within the college.

Walter Guralnick, DMD, celebrates his 100th birthday at MGH - Dr. Guralnick, professor emeritus and former chairman of MGH OMFS, celebrated his 100th birthday this November. Dr.
Guralnick graduated from Harvard School of Dental Medicine in 1941 and has worked at MGH for over 65 years. He served as Chief of Oral Surgery at MGH from 1966 to 1983 during which he was also the medical director of all MGH operating rooms. Among his contributions to the field of oral & maxillofacial surgery, he pioneered the first dual-degree OMFS program in the US in 1972 in conjunction with Harvard Medical School. Dr. Guralnick celebrated his birthday with faculty, residents, and former trainees of MGH OMFS at the MGH's Museum of Medical History.

Somi Kim, DDS, MD joins MGH OMFS Faculty-
Dr. Somi Kim (HSDM ’10, HMS ’13, MGH OMFS ’16) joined the faculty of the MGH OMFS group. She finished her oral & maxillofacial surgery training in June of 2016 and has become the youngest attending on staff with the OMFS service. Her practice focuses primarily on orthognathic surgery, trauma, and surgical management of TMJ disorders.

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The Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery department at Tufts recently named Dr. Constantinos Laskarides Program Director of the Advanced Graduate OMFS program. He has been a faculty member since 2006 as an associate professor. Dr. Laskarides received his DMD degree from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and his DDS and PharmD degrees from the University of Athens, Greece. He completed his Advanced Education in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine.

Dr. Laskarides is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS), the American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons (FAAOMS) and the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (FACOMS). Although Dr. Laskarides has only recently been named Program Director, he has been heavily involved in resident and undergraduate OMFS education at TUSDM over the past 10 years. In addition to lecturing to all of the postgraduate students at TUSDM on a broad range of topics from implants to orthognathic surgery, he is also heavily involved in the daily education of the residents of the TUSDM OMFS program. The Tufts OMFS program is excited for Dr. Laskarides and cannot wait to see what he has in store for the program.

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The use of cognitive simulators is a valuable asset in many surgical specialties. We are excited about the prospect of simulation entering the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and have developed two modules with Touch Surgery.

Our program would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our chief residents on earning fellowship positions next year. Dr. Paul Covello will be completing a fellowship in Head and Neck Oncology and Microvascular Reconstructive Surgery at LSU in Shreveport, LA and Dr. Renata Khelemsky will be completing a fellowship in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery in Melbourne, FL. We are very proud of them and wish them all the best in the next phase of their training.

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This past spring our chief resident and second year resident were sponsored by Dominican Republic Medical and Dental Association to attend a medical and dental mission trip to the Dominican Republic. With a strong focus by our institution to address the needs of our underserved patient population and the community, our residents were able to deliver a high standard of care. The mission trip lasted one week in San Pedro with a team of Oral Surgeons, including a previous Alumnae of Harlem Hospital OMFS, and providers in a variety of specialties including General Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Anesthesiology,
General Dentistry, and Pediatric Dentistry.

Our residents recently participated in an interesting trauma case with our oculoplastic specialist from Columbia University. The patient presented to the Emergency Room with multiple extensive facial lacerations. To be noted was the significant involvement of the upper and lower eyelids which were full thickness lacerations involving the upper and lower tarsus and significant soft tissue trauma to the nose. The patient was taken to the operating room immediately and currently is being followed up by both OMFS and Ophthalmology.

Our program would also like to sincerely thank our long term faculty Dr. David Greenman for his continued service to the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and the United States Navy. Dr. Greenman is a board certified Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon and an active member of the United States Navy Reserves for over 20 years. This Veterans Day Dr. Greenman was recognized by our hospital system for his continued service to our hospital and our country.

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On October 31, 2016, our program welcomed Dr. Larry Wolford of Baylor University Medical Center to speak on TMJ surgery and associated orthognathic surgery. The full day lecture had high attendance from our entire dental department as well as neighboring OMS programs and private practitioners in the area. Dr. Wolford is an international leader in the areas of TMJ and orthognathic surgery, and his lecture provided a great learning experience for the entire audience.

Dr. Anna Scharfen, a third year resident, presented at the annual William F. Harrigan society meeting on November 12, 2016. Dr. Scharfen presented on Montefiore's experience with TMJ Concepts and discussed the total joint replacement cases that our department has performed over the past year. The lecture highlighted our programs positive experience with TMJ Concepts and touched upon key findings from each of the presented cases.

Later the same week, our residents presented five cases at the New York Institute of Clinical and Oral Pathology (NYICOP) monthly conference. Case topics included: medication related osteonecrosis of the jaw, squamous cell carcinoma of the maxilla, ameloblastoma, chronic osteomyelitis and an epidermoid cyst. Each of the unique cases generated interesting discussion and provided an exceptional learning opportunity for the audience.

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Columbia University Medical Center (CUMC) OMFS has had a few exciting events over the past year. We welcomed a new full-time faculty member, Dr. Bridget Ferguson, as the program’s first Clinic Director who oversees resident sedations and dental student development. She has allowed tremendous opportunity for several interesting cases that present to the resident clinic to go promptly to the operating room, which has broadened the resident experience here. This past July we co-hosted the 4th Biennial William H Bell Northeast Orthognathic Symposium,
which was held at Mt. Sinai. It was a tremendously successful resident-centered conference that featured true leaders in OMFS (Timothy Turvey, Bryan Bell, Edward Ellis III, Myron Tucker, Tirbod Fatahi, and Flavio Uribe (Orthodontics)) and was well attended by many residents from our district. We are already looking forward to the next installment in 2018.

We were well represented at this year’s 98th Annual AAOMS meeting by both faculty and residents with all of our seniors (PGY4-6) attending. Congratulations to our Chief Resident, Daniel Bienstock, who was a scientific poster winner for his original research topic, “Is Diagonal Ear Lobe Crease Associated With Carotid Calcifications on Panoramic Radiograph or Cone Beam Computed Tomography?” Daniel also presented “Evaluation of the Robin Sequence Mandible and Airway Using Computed Tomography.” As a program, we look to continue to grow our presence presenting resident research activities at future scientific sessions.

Recently, as a CUMC-ROAAOMS led event, we attended the New York Academy of Medicine’s Second Annual Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residents’ Night: “Career Opportunities in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.” We had four residents and 18 pre-doctoral students attend the fantastic event that included a variety of exceptional speakers: Rabie Shanti, Neeraj Panchal, Damon Jensen, and Steve Roser.

Columbia OMFS through the years:

(Left to Right- Steve Roser (Former Chair), Barry Wolinsky (PT Faculty), Timothy Kunkle (PGY-5), Shahid Aziz (OMFS ’02; host of event), Michael Forman (PGY-1), Yakov Yakubov (PGY-1), John Costandi (PGY-5). Taken at the 2016 NYAM OMFS Resident Career Night.

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Mount Sinai St. Luke’s/West Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery was founded in 1973. In the past year, Dr. Kim Goldman joined the clinical faculty at St. Luke’s. She completed her residency training at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, Texas. After residency, she worked in private practice as well as with the residents at the University of California, San Francisco and the University of Louisville. The residents at St Luke’s are very fortunate to have Dr. Goldman join the St. Luke’s faculty. Dr. Goldman, in conjunction with Dr. Brian Bovino (Program Director) and Dr. Ira Sturman, work with the residents on a weekly basis. This institution also has many part-time faculty that bring their private practice cases to work with the residents, providing a wide range of clinical expertise. With a faculty made up of different mentors from varying backgrounds creates a well-rounded clinical education for the residents.

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This July, the University of Rochester OMFS department was pleased to welcome Dr. John Vorrasi as full time faculty. Dr. Vorrasi previously served as
the program director and associate director of research and simulation training for the OMFS program at Christiana Care in Delaware. With him he brings his expertise and enthusiasm for TMJ surgery, orthognathic surgery, facial trauma, and dental implants. He has been an excellent addition to our department and we are lucky to have him.

In the next few months the OMFS clinic is planned to undergo a full scale renovation. This is in addition to our recently installed CBCT scanner which has been invaluable to our treatment planning of complex dentoalveolar, pathology, and implant cases. The renovation will allow our department to increase our already growing sedation numbers and optimize the patient flow within the clinic.

The residency program also increased the number of non-categorical intern positions to two this year, from just one previously. The plan is to possibly add a third non-categorical position for next year. With this expansion in the number of residents in our program, the department has been able to dramatically increase the volume of cases seen and treated on a day to day basis.

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The Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program at NYC Health + Hospitals/Woodhull is a fully-accredited four-year training program. The program is located in Brooklyn, NY and serves the Bushwick, Bed-Stuy, and Williamsburg areas with a referral base from NYC Health + Hospitals/Cumberland, a Gotham Health Center, as well as the local private practices. Currently, Dr. Peter Sherman is the chairman of the dental department and Dr. Earl Clarkson is the director of the OMS program. They work alongside attendings Drs. Dwight Williams, Harry Dym, Steven Schwartz, and Roger Grannum. The program was originally headed by Dr. Orrett Ogle, who retired in 2012, but still plays an integral role with residents.

On average, the outpatient clinic treats over fifty patients each day, operates sedation cases on a daily basis, and has a reserved operating room time block two days per week. In the clinic, OMS residents work closely with residents in general practice dentistry and pediatric dentistry, as well as with attendings in the specialties of periodontology, prosthodontics, and orthodontics. Residents and interns take in-house call on average every third night and are paired with a general practice resident to cover facial trauma 365 days per year. OMS residents are exposed to the full scope of the specialty, with procedures in orthognathic surgery, esthetic surgery, trauma, pathology, dentoalveolar surgery, and temporomandibular joint surgery. In addition to the standard OMS rotations in medicine, anesthesia, and general surgery, residents also rotate through NYC Health + Hospitals/Harlem, expanding their scope of learning to cover ENT and surgical ICU. The program is affiliated with New York University, and receives rotators from the general practice residency at NYC Health + Hospitals/Coney Island as well as students from Columbia University's College of Dental Medicine. Residents at Woodhull are also able to partake in mission trips to Ethiopia, the Dominican Republic, and Jamaica.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nominate your fellow OMS today!!
AAOMS Awards Applications
Deadline: January 31, 2017
For details: http://www.aaoms.org/member-center/aaoms-awards/current-winners

Education Event with Dr. Anthony Sclar and Dr. Mark Ochs – Miami
January 20-22, 2017
Discounted registration rate for residents
Osteo Science Foundation has planned an exciting education event this January 20-22 in Miami with Dr. Anthony Sclar and Dr. Mark Ochs. Dr. Sclar will be speaking on "State-of-the-Art Implant Esthetics: Protocols for soft and hard tissue regeneration and augmentation," and Dr. Ochs's talk is on "Bone Grafting, Ridge Regeneration and Challenging Implant Cases: What to expect and how to achieve predictable and stable results." Ten
CME/CDE credits are offered for full participation. There is a special discounted registration rate of $100 for residents. For more information, or to register, please visit www.osteoscience.org. You may also contact Andrea Boidman andrea.boidman@osteoscience.org if you have additional questions.

**AAOMS Call for Abstracts**

All abstract and poster applications for the upcoming AAOMS Annual Meeting, Scientific Sessions and Exhibition must be submitted by Sunday, February 19, 2017 via the online submission process: Applications for the annual meeting oral abstracts and posters are being accepted in any of the topic categories. For further details please visit https://aaoms.confex.com/aaoms/am1710/abstract/cfp.cgi

**16th Annual AAOMS Day on the Hill**

March 22, 2017
Meet with senators, congressmen, and their staffs to discuss important issues relating to oral and maxillofacial surgery. Representing our profession in Washington D.C. is a great way to learn about the political issues influencing our career. Apply for funding that is available for ROAAOMS members by asking your District Representative for application details.

**Clinical and Scientific Innovations for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CSIOMS) Conference**

April 28-30, 2017
http://www.aaoms.org/education-research/research/clinical-and-scientific-innovations-conference
There is dedicated time for 10 oral abstract presentations (10 minutes including Q&A) and a poster session. The abstracts selected for oral presentations will be award a $1,000 travel scholarship to cover the cost of attending the conference. Submissions can be completed here: https://aaoms.confex.com/aaoms/rs1704/abstract/cfp.cgi

**99th Annual Meeting – San Francisco, CA**

October 9-14, 2017
Mark your calendars! Plan to join your colleagues at the AAOMS 2017 Annual Meeting, Scientific Sessions and Exhibition, October 9-14, in San Francisco, CA. Registration will open in April 2017.

**Become Involved in the Resident Organization**

This year the ROAAOMS will be focusing its efforts towards reaching out to dental schools that are new or do not have an OMS program attached. The goal of these meetings is to help budding dentists realize the truly broad scope of OMS and learn to better work with our profession. These students often only interact with one or two OMS faculty at their school and are never properly introduced to OMS. These meetings provide an added benefit of helping applicants interact with current residents and receive guidance on their path to residency.

Additionally, ROAAOMS is happy to announce our openings within our subcommittees. Assume an active role in your resident organization and join one of our subcommittee such as; Education, Communication, Recruitment, Stakeholders Engagement and Strategic Plan Subcommittees. ROAAOMS looks to support you throughout residency, and we look forward to hearing your comments & suggestions.

If you are interested in becoming more active in ROAAOMS, please send me an email. Thank you for your interest!