Department of Pediatric Dentistry

The Department of Pediatric Dentistry (https://dentistry.tamu.edu/departments/pediatric-dentistry/) at the College of Dentistry is located in Dallas, Texas. Balanced didactic and clinical instruction is provided in the areas of preventive dentistry, behavior guidance, hospital dentistry, and therapeutic oral health care for infants, children, adolescents, and children with special care needs. Instruction is provided for dental hygiene, dental, and graduate students, as well as fellows in the pediatric dentistry specialty program.

Undergraduate Teaching

Full- and part-time faculty are involved in the didactic training of the dental hygiene students, and the second-, third-, and fourth-year dental students. This is accomplished using a small group format. In addition, they are responsible for clinical instruction of dental and dental hygiene students on campus and off-campus at outside community clinics.

Pediatric Dentistry Department Affiliations

The Department has affiliations with other institutions that offer experiences outside the College of Dentistry, including:

- Children's Medical Center of Dallas,
- Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children,
- Denstar Dental
- North Dallas Shared Ministries,
- DFW Crown Ministry, and
- HHM Health (formerly Healing Hands Ministry).

Advanced General Dentistry Fellowship

We also offer a one-year Advanced General Dentistry Fellowship in Compromised Care and Hospital Dentistry (CCHD) program. This program is designed for advanced clinical and didactic training in general dentistry, with intensive community and hospital experience at the postdoctoral level. This fellowship provides instruction and experience in the delivery of care to a wide range of ambulatory and hospitalized patients. More information, including the application, can be found on the CCHD webpage (https://dentistry.tamu.edu/departments/pediatric-dentistry/cchd-fellowship/).

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