



ABPD Core Value: Excellence in Pediatric Oral Health Care

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- Excellence in Pediatric Oral Health Care
- A Fair and Valid Examination
- A Commitment to Lifelong Learning
- Quality Improvement in Health Care
- Leadership
- Collaboration
- Effective Stewards

One of the core values of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD) is "Excellence in Pediatric Oral Health Care." But how is excellence measured? Is it the longevity of our restorations? Is it measured by the height of the skips of the joyful children leaving our offices? Quality dental care can be measured in innumerable ways, but which ways are feasible to measure and what is the value of that information?

ABPD has been generating examinations to evaluate a candidate's level of expertise to signal to the public and other interested parties that our diplomates have the abilities to practice at the apex of the knowledge in pediatric dentistry. That is what we say, but how do we measure that? How do we back

up our claim that a board certified pediatric dentist provides this level of care?

This is where dental quality measurements come into play. ABPD is committed to basing our activities on evidence and is happy to report that our inaugural Jeffrey A. Dean/ABPD Research Fellowships will be investigating how our board certified colleagues measure up against others. We anticipate that the data collected from these projects will be the initial evidence that supports our belief that our diplomates really are practicing at the highest levels!



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ABPD Examination Committee Updates



ABPD@AAPD

San Diego, California
May 26-29, 2022

Booth #830
Friday – Sunday

**New Diplomate
Pinning Ceremony**
4:30-6:30PM, May 26
(invitation only)

ABPD would like to thank the following diplomates for **Completing their term of service on the Examination Committee**

Qualifying Examination Subcommittee

Members:
Cheen Loo, *Boston, MA*
Kaaren Vargas, *Coralville, IA*
Jacob Lee, *San Clemente, CA*
Karen Yee-Lo, *Lakewood, WA*
Jean Lewis, *Fruitland, MD*

Oral Clinical Examination Subcommittee

Member:
Manav Malik, *Sarasota, FL*

Renewal of Certification Process Subcommittee

Part Leaders:
Adesegun Tewogbade, *Stone Mountain, GA*
Members:
David Stanley, *Murfreesboro, TN*
Alex Alcaraz, *Pasadena, CA*

ABPD is proud to present the following diplomates as **New leaders on our 2022 Examination Committee**

Oral Clinical Examination Subcommittee

Vice Chair:
Daniela Silva, *Los Angeles, CA*
Part Leader:
Whitney Wignall, *Portland, ME*

Renewal of Certification Process Subcommittee

Chair:
Craig Hollander, *Saint Louis, MO*
ROC Vice Chair:
Sarita Shah John, *Plano, TX*
Part Leaders:
Alton McWhorter, *Dallas, TX*
Robert Nieders, *Lexington, SC*

Thank you for all you do for ABPD!