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The Question?

Board Asks House to Rescind Implant Policy

The ACP Board of Directors voted at its February meeting in Palm Springs, California to rescind a recently passed policy on surgical placement of implants by prosthodontists. The policy had been adopted by the Board and the members present at the business meeting in Tampa in November, 1992.

The policy in question stated that the surgical placement of implants was outside the scope of the specialty of prosthodontics, because clinical training in the surgical placement of implants is not currently a part of the accreditation standards for graduate prosthodontic programs.

The Board voted by a two-thirds majority to rescind this policy statement. In order for the rescission to be final, the ACP House of Delegates must also vote on this matter at their meeting in October.

According to the ADA, the scope of a specialty is defined by the accreditation standards.

Although it is estimated that only about 10% of College members surgically place implants, the original policy does not permit them to limit their practice to prosthodontics if they perform certain minor surgical procedures.

It was the consensus of the Board that more input from the membership was needed before this issue could be finalized.

Taking a broader and more positive approach, the Board voted to recommend to the graduate program directors that the "Draft Standards for Advanced Specialty Education Programs in Prosthodontics," currently under development, include in the clinical program the requirement for training at the "exposure" level in "preprosthetic surgery including implant placement." This exact language is already a part of the didactic requirements at the "understanding" level.

It was felt that since prosthodontists may perform some minor preprosthetic surgical procedures, such as the occasional removal of teeth in conjunction with transitional denture care and soft tissue surgery related to implant treatment, such an addition would bring the standards up to date with current prosthodontic practice.

The rescission of the current policy will be considered at the first official meeting of the ACP House of Delegates this fall in Palm Springs. ♦

Superior Facility Secured for 1993 Annual Session



The Wyndham Hotel in Palm Springs provides a resort setting for the Annual Session, October 28-30.

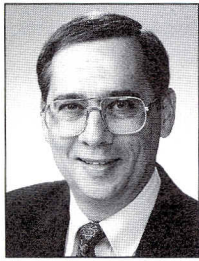
The 1993 Annual Session will be held at the fabulous Wyndham Hotel and the adjoining Palm Springs Convention Center in Palm Springs, California October 28-30. This beautiful resort hotel has upscale and well appointed sleeping rooms as well as the best meeting facilities the College has ever had available for the annual session. Plenary sessions and exhibits will be located in the adjoining Palm Springs Convention Center, a superior facility that offers excellent meeting and exhibit space. The Convention Center is connected to the Wyndham hotel.

Two important events will occur on Wednesday, October 27, prior to the official start of the annual session. The ACP House of Delegates will meet for the first time and the popular ACP Board preparation course will be presented.

The annual session will begin on Thursday, October 28 with a full day of "Classic Prosthodontic Presentations" given by individuals who developed or contributed significantly to seminal prosthodontic concepts. On Thursday afternoon, private practice sessions will run concurrently with the classic prosthodontic lectures. The private practice lectures will cover establishing, communicating and collecting fees.

The Thursday evening cocktail party and reception will have several new twists, making it an unforgettable night. This splendid event

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Ronald D. Woody, DDS

The new year began with a flourish of activity for the College. After receiving official recognition from the ADA Council on Dental Education in December on being the sponsoring organization for the specialty and the American Board of

Prosthodontics, communications about specialty issues increased dramatically. The responsibilities and obligations for current and future directions of the specialty now rest with the College.

The Board of Directors meeting February 13-14, 1993 in Palm Springs, the site of our Annual Session in October, was very successful. The new reorganized Board of Directors now has 21 members. The 24 Standing Committees report to 9 Division Directors who are members of the Board. I believe the new format exceeds our expectations, allowing us to accomplish action on many important issues in a limited time. Our three new Directors-at-Large selected by the FPO, Dr. Brien Lang, Dr. Jim Lord, and Dr. Jonathan Ferencz, contributed significantly to the meeting.

Some Board Issues Discussed

A. Appointments

Dr. John Burton to represent the specialty of prosthodontics on the ADA Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) Steering Committee.

Dr. Marion Edge and Dr. Michael Gardner as additional nominees as Prosthodontic Consultants on the Committee on Dental Accreditation.

Dr. Ronald Desjardins to the Specialty Society Liaison Panel on the Institute of Medicine Study on Educating Dentists for the Future.

B. Dental Specialty Group

As chairman, this year of the Dental Specialty Group, which is composed of the President, President Elect, and Executive

Director of the eight ADA recognized specialties, we are planning two special conferences. Our July meeting is being finalized and will consist of separate meetings with the Commission of Dental Accreditation and the ADA leadership on specific issues of concern to the specialties. The other meeting will be in San Francisco in conjunction with the ADA Annual meeting. This is all requiring a great deal of planning and logistical support which is being accomplished by our Executive Director, David Schwab. This is a unique opportunity for the College and the specialty of prosthodontics to demonstrate our leadership role in organizing these important conferences.

C. Position Statement on Prosthodontists Performing Surgical Procedures Related to Implant Therapy

Since the November Annual Meeting in Tampa, a great deal of my correspondence has been related to the position statement on "Prosthodontists Performing Surgical Procedures Related to Implant Therapy." The vote to rescind this policy (see article on page 1) was a positive step that attempted to include the input received from a cross-section of many members. Debate on controversial issues is healthy; however, when it divides elements of the membership it needs to be resolved for the integrity of the organization and the specialty. I feel the issue is being equitably resolved—including the recommended changes in the accreditation standards—for the benefit of the specialty and the members.

This issue now goes to the ACP House of Delegates for final action in October.

D. Revision of the Standards Document for Advanced Specialty Education Programs in Prosthodontics

The revision of the Standards document under the direction of Dr. Ronald Desjardins is making excellent progress. The document is currently going back to the program directors for input on various comments made by the Commission on

Dental Accreditation staff and two recommendations made by the ACP Board of Directors concerning levels of training in TMD and adding pre-prosthetic surgery including implant placement at the exposure level in the clinical requirements. The final document will be approved by the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates prior to its submission to the Commission on Dental Accreditation for its January 1994 meeting.

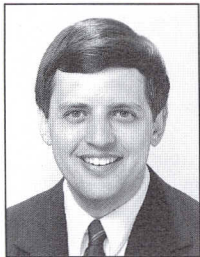
E. Goals and Objectives

Dr. Carl Schuler, Vice President and Chairman of the Goals and Objectives Committee, has distributed the existing ACP objectives conforming with the new Divisional and Committee format to all committee chairs and section presidents. It is extremely important that we receive maximum input so that we can identify realistic goals that will lead the specialty of prosthodontics into the 21st Century. The input of redirected and new goals and objectives will provide the framework for our Goals and Objectives conference in June.

In February I had the opportunity to visit our new Chicago office. I was impressed with the quality of personnel, office space, and available resources, all encased in a truly outstanding facility. The concept of shared space is allowing the College to have a high profile office at a modest cost. With our many new responsibilities as the specialty organization, the Chicago office has already made a significant difference in our daily dealings with the ADA and the other specialty organizations.

I am looking forward to visiting some of the Sections this year to update members on College developments and future directions. I encourage any College member who has a concern, problem, or suggestion to contact one of our officers or directors or me. I am excited about the future of our specialty and the Officers, Directors, and Committees are working diligently on behalf of all members to achieve our expectations for the specialty of prosthodontics. ♦

From the Executive Director



David Schwab, Ph.D.

I am pleased to report that the Chicago office has already fulfilled its promise of providing the College with much needed visibility among the other dental specialty organizations and the ADA.

The establishment of a place of business in Chicago has afforded me the opportunity to work more closely with College members and to plan for the long-range staffing needs of the College from the standpoint of professional association management.

From a more immediate and practical point of view, the office provides meeting space, access to professional level secretarial services, and a first-rate telephone system that enables me to stay in better touch with the leadership and the members.

In establishing its base in Chicago, the College joins over 1,400 national, regional, and local associations, plus hundreds of civic, social, and fraternal not-for-profit organizations that are headquartered in Chicago.

According to the Chicago Society of Association Executives (CSAE), an organization of over 2,000 association professionals, the combined net revenue of all Chicago-based associations is over \$2.3 billion.

According to CSAE, Chicago-based associations employ over 22,000 individuals in Illinois with a gross payroll of \$661.4 million.

Another measure of the strength of associations in Chicago is that they occupy 5.4 million square feet of office space. That's equal to filling 6.5 John Hancock buildings to maximum capacity.

CSAE also reports that the American Dental Association is the fifth largest association in Chicago, with a staff of 425 and a budget in excess of \$50 million.

The College's new Chicago office makes us a part of the impressive family of Chicago-based associations. ♦



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will be held in the hotel courtyard surrounded by a magnificent swimming pool complex.

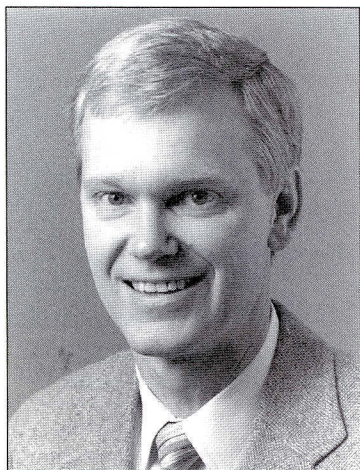
On Friday, October 29, a morning session featuring excellent speakers is being planned, followed by the annual luncheon with a special guest speaker. Friday afternoon will include the Educators seminar, table clinics, and sections meeting.

Two concurrent sessions will be offered on Saturday morning, covering a wide range of prosthodontic topics and associated clinical sciences. There will be a single session on Saturday afternoon with several topics and speakers that members will not want to miss.

The meeting will close with a very special President's Reception and Dinner Dance Saturday night.

Complete information on this year's annual session, including registration forms, will be included in the next issue of *The ACP Messenger*. ♦

Editor's Note: ACP Immediate Past President Dr. David W. Eggleston was instrumental in arguing for the original implant policy that was first passed and then rescinded by the Board. Dr. Eggleston subsequently proposed that the accreditation standards be modified to include exposure to preprosthetic surgery including implant placement in graduate prosthodontic programs.



David W. Eggleston, DDS

The issue of surgical placement of dental implants by prosthodontists has recently come to the forefront. A review of the issue requires some background on the accreditation standards as promulgated by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, the ADA's Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct, and the concept of the standard of care.

The specialty of prosthodontics exists because the ADA has chosen to recognize prosthodontics as one of only eight specialties accredited through the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The accreditation standards mandate minimum didactic and clinical levels of instruction in the graduate programs.

Each required didactic subject in a graduate prosthodontic program is taught at one of three levels: "familiarity," "understanding," or "in-depth." Each required clinical skill is taught at the "exposure," "competent," or "proficient" level.

Currently, the accreditation standards require didactic instruction in preprosthetic surgery including implant placement at the "understanding" level. The accreditation standards, however, do not require any clinical instruction in preprosthetic surgery including implants.

According to the ADA, the scope of a specialty is defined by the clinical requirements

contained in the accreditation standards for that specialty. Therefore, since clinical training in the surgical placement of dental implants is not required in the graduate prosthodontic accreditation standards, this area of practice is not included within the scope of the specialty of prosthodontics.

The ADA Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct states:

Dentists who choose to announce specialization should use "specialist in" or "practice limited to" and shall limit their practice exclusively to the announced special area(s) of dental practice, provided at the time of such announcement such dentists have met in each approved specialty for which they announce the existing educational requirements and standards set forth by the American Dental Association. Dentists who use their eligibility to announce as specialists to make the public believe that specialty services rendered in the dental office are being rendered by qualified specialists when such is not the case are engaged in unethical conduct.

In examining both the current accreditation standards and the Principles of Ethics, one could reasonably infer that prosthodontists who limit their practice to prosthodontics and place implants are misleading the public and are practicing outside their specialty. It was precisely this logic that led the Board to formulate the original implant policy.

It is safe to say that only a small percentage of prosthodontists is surgically placing dental implants. Some of these prosthodontists helped to revolutionize the surgical procedures, and they should be commended. It is appropriate for any specialist to expand the frontiers of dentistry to develop and refine new materials and techniques to improve the health of the public.

However, there comes a time when a new procedure is no longer new, and it must become a part of the specialty through the accreditation process or be left to other specialties. It is inappropriate for some prosthodontists to continue announcing to the public that they are specialists in prosthodontics or that their practices are limited to prosthodontics when they have not been required to learn surgical placement of dental implants as part of their accredited prosthodontic graduate programs. Instruction in the surgical placement of implants that occurs as part of continuing education may or may not have value, depending on course content and the credentials of the instructors; but such training is not accredited

and does not qualify a prosthodontist to expand the scope of the specialty.

When a patient chooses a prosthodontist, that person has every right to expect that the prosthodontist has been educated to the specialty level for all treatment rendered.

In February, the ACP Board of Directors attempted to resolve this issue by voting to rescind the ACP's policy on the surgical placement of dental implants and recommended that clinical training be included in the graduate accreditation standards at the "exposure" level in preprosthetic surgery including implant placement. It is important to note that the "exposure" level is defined as "the level of skill attained by observation of, or participation in a particular activity."

The Board believes that since many prosthodontists already perform some preprosthetic surgical procedures in certain situations, this change updates the standards to conform to current practice. If this change is approved by the program directors and the Commission on Dental Accreditation, prosthodontists could ethically announce specialty status and provide surgical placement of implants at a level commensurate with their educational background.

According to the ADA, the scope of a specialty is defined by the clinical requirements contained in the accreditation standards for that specialty.

It is important to note in this discussion that there is only one standard of care. As an example, a dental crown placed by a general dentist and one placed by a prosthodontist are judged in the legal arena and the peer review process by the same standard. The occlusion, contour, color, marginal fit, surface texture and necessity of providing a crown are each graded as satisfactory or unsatisfactory irrespective of the specialty status of the dentist.

It follows that prosthodontists who choose to surgically place implants must conform to the same standard of care that applies to all dentists, including oral and maxillofacial surgeons, periodontists, and general dentists. ♦

Board Meeting in Palm Springs



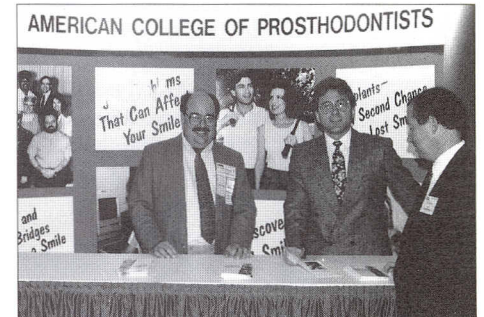
Board of Directors for 1991-1992 - Front Row: Kenneth A. Turner, Treasurer; Peter F. Johnson, President-Elect; Ronald D. Woody, President; Carl W. Schuller, Vice President; Ned B. Van Roekel, Secretary; David Schwab, Executive Director. Back Row: Robert A. Saporito, Director; David W. Eggleston, First Past President; Arthur Nimmo, Director; William A. Kuebker, Director; M. Mazaheri, Director; Thomas D. Taylor, Director; John F. Burton, Director; James L. Lord, Director; Roy T. Yanase, Director; Joel O. Martin, Director; Kenneth L. Stewart, Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Prosthodontics; Richard R. Seals, Director; James A. Fowler, Second Past President; Brien R. Lang, Director; and Jonathan L. Ferencz, Director.

**College President
Dr. Ronald Woody (L),
welcomes three new board
members (L to R)
Dr. Jonathan Ferencz,
Dr. Jack Lord, and
Dr. Brien Lang.**



Ohio Section Promotes Specialty at State Meeting

Like the rabbit in the EverReady® battery commercial, the College's educational exhibit is "still going," this time at the Annual Session of the Ohio Dental Association in Columbus, OH. Distributing College literature, discussing the many goals and objectives of the A.C.P., and promoting the Journal of Prosthodontics are just some of the activities of those sections using the exhibit. "Getting out there and promoting the specialty is a project that encourages all section members to participate in," said Robert B. Stevenson of Columbus. "It's good for the section and it's good for the specialty." ♦



College members from Columbus, Drs. Robert Stevenson (L) and Douglass Goff, show A.C.P. educational materials to Mr. Tom Williams a laboratory technician from the area.

In Memoriam

**Dr. William E. Wood -
December 14, 1992
Member, Oklahoma City, OK**

Geriatric Prosthodontics Theme of Massachusetts Section Meeting

The January meeting of the Massachusetts Section hosted the College's Chair of the Geriatrics Committee, Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd, who provided a half-day program entitled "Geriatrics: Opportunities Abound for Prosthodontists." The importance of attention to detail and the employment of the prosthodontist's full scope of diagnostic and therapeutic skills were the main emphases of the program. "It wasn't like other geriatric dentistry lectures I attended that just showed charts and graphs. It was clinically oriented with many case examples," said one participant. "Geriatrics has been and will continue to be a major part of our specialty." ♦

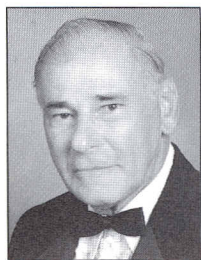
Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd (L) discusses College activities in geriatric prosthodontics with the officers of the Massachusetts Section, (L to R) Drs. Nancy Arbree, Secretary; Norman Hammer, Past-President; George Kay, President; Berdj Kiladjian, Councilor; and Elliot Kronstein, Councilor.



Editorial Council of JPD Responds to College's Request

Editor's Note: The Editorial Council of The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry has advised the Board of Directors of the American College of Prosthodontists that it will not be able to offer College members who are not members of a sponsoring organization of the J.P.D. the "en bloc" subscription rate. Those College members in this position must either join one of the sponsoring organizations to receive the J.P.D. at the "en bloc" rate or subscribe to the J.P.D. as an individual.

In response to an article in the last issue of The ACP Messenger, "Transition from the JPD to JP" a letter was received from the Chairman of the Editorial Council of the J.P.D. requesting that the following announcement be published.



**I. Kenneth Adisman,
DDS, MSD**

To the Members of the American College of Prosthodontists:

The withdrawal of the American College of Prosthodontists as a sponsoring organization of The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry after many years of affiliation has resulted in many of its members who will no longer receive the J.P.D. Members of the A.C.P. who are members of another sponsoring organization will continue to receive the J.P.D. at the special annual "en bloc" rate of \$49.50. Members of the A.C.P. who are not members of any other sponsoring organization can continue to receive the J.P.D. as an individual subscriber at the annual subscription rate of \$78.00.

Team Day '93 an Implant Meeting Like No Other

Specialists from 28 countries gathered for a week in January to share information about osseointegrated implants at Team Day '93. This five day seminar, sponsored by Nobelpharma USA, Inc., began with two one-half day sessions at the Intercontinental Hotel in Miami, followed by three sessions aboard the Nordic Empress. Participants had an opportunity to visit Nassau — where there were plenty of activities for everyone.

The A.C.P. was well represented at the meeting both in attendees and invited speakers. College speakers and their subjects included: Dr. William Laney, "Tissue Integrated Prosthesis: The First 78 Months Mayo Experience;" Dr. Stephen Parel, "Making the Transition from Perioprotheses to Implant

Prosthodontics;" Dr. Gary Horblitt, "Laboratory Diagnostics;" Dr. Michael Engelman, "Problem Prevention Via Treatment Planning;" Dr. Brien Lang, "The Precision of Fit of Implant Components;" Dr. Edward McGlumphy, "Keeping Single Tooth Implant Screws Tight: The Solution;" and Dr. Thomas Balshi, "Patient Relations and Communication."

Per Ingvar Branemark, Director of the Institute for Applied Biotechnology, described numerous future applications for the process of osseointegration. An emotionally heartwarming video demonstrated the benefits of missing limbs as well as joint reconstruction. The entire program was academically rewarding and the professional camaraderie exceptional. ♦

The Executive Council of the A.C.P. chose not to accept the invitation from the Editorial Council to join as a full and equal partner in the publication of the J.P.D. Instead, it chose the direction of publishing a new journal, "The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry," to represent the A.C.P., and termination of the sponsoring organization relationship with the J.P.D. The Editorial Council of the J.P.D. and Mosby have explored in depth all the possibilities that were suggested in joint meetings with officers of the A.C.P. to preserve the "en bloc" subscription rate of the J.P.D. for those members of the A.C.P. who are not members of an other sponsoring organization. The long term policy and agreements between the Editorial Council and all sponsoring organizations in United States and Canada precluded any change or alteration in existing

policy. Regrettably, the Editorial Council could not make an exception with the A.C.P. To do so would infringe on the solidarity of interest and responsibility the Editorial Council maintains with all other sponsoring organizations.

The Editorial Council of the J.P.D. trusts that the information disclosed will clarify the new subscription relationship members of the A.C.P. have with the J.P.D., and recommends to uncommitted A.C.P. members the continuation of their continuing education with a personal subscription to The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry.

The Editorial Council sends their best wishes to all members of the A.C.P. for a successful and rewarding professional career, and their appreciation for the past support of the J.P.D.

Sincerely,

I. Kenneth Adisman
Chairman, Editorial Council
The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry

AAMP Announces Research Award Competition

All graduate or post-graduate students who are currently enrolled in a Prosthodontic Training Program or those who have completed training within the past three years are invited to participate in the Annual Research Competition offered by the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics. First prize is a cash award of \$1,500 and second prize is \$1,000. The two finalists must present their research papers at the Annual Meeting of the Academy in Palm Springs, California, October 25-27, 1993. The research topic must be related to maxillofacial prosthetics. Deadline for submission of manuscripts is May 1, 1993. For further information contact Donald C. Kramer, DDS, 3622 Robinson Road, Missouri City, TX 77459. ♦

College President to Address Sections

Dr. Ronald Woody has accepted two invitations to address College members at section meetings during 1993. On Saturday, May 1 he will speak at the Third Midwest Regional Meeting of the ACP in Columbus, Ohio. And on Friday, May 14 he will attend the Southwest Texas Section meeting in Houston, Texas. ♦

AADS Meeting Features Many College Members

The 1993 meeting of the American

Association of Dental Schools in Chicago provided yet another opportunity for the College to take a leadership role in the specialty. In addition to participating in many of the educational programs at the meeting, several A.C.P. members were installed as section officers. For the Fixed Prosthodontics Section: Dr. Robert A. Saporito



Drs. Ivy S. Schwartz and Robert Saporito presented papers at the joint Section meeting on treatment planning in a dental school environment.

AAO Eighth Annual Meeting a Success

The Academy of Osseointegration presented its Eighth Annual Meeting, March 4-6, 1993, at the Sheraton Harbor Island Hotel in San Diego, California. In addition to the cutting-edge scientific program featuring an invited speaker, oral research presentations, poster presentations and table clinics, the Academy included several timely and innovative sessions that provided the attendees with further educational opportunities.

The first of these additions was the "Ask the Experts" session, which was held in conjunction with the poster presentations and the table clinics on March 5. Participants included Drs. Charles A. Babbush, Michael S. Block, Daniel Buser, Howard B. Kay, Axel Kirsch, Paul H. J. Krogh, Burton Langer, Richard J. Lazzara, Melvyn S. Schwartz, Norman J. Shepherd, and Daniel Sullivan. Dr. Kenneth J. Versman, organizer of "Ask the Experts," and Chairman of the Table Clinic portion of the Annual Meeting commented, "We gathered the top names in the areas of implant prosthodontics, oral surgery and periodontics for this panel. It was a rare opportunity to share ideas and discuss cases with some very experienced people." The panel members were available for informal one-on-one discussions with the attendees.

At the Eighth Annual Meeting, the Academy named its second Honorary Fellow, Professor Andre Schroeder. The symposium offered on Saturday morning, March 6,

as Chairman and Dr. Donald A. Curtis as Secretary. For the Removable Section: Dr. Richard R. Seals, Jr. as Chairman, Dr. Ashok Soni as Chair-Elect, and Dr. Joseph P. Cooney as Secretary.

The section meetings are a vital part of the annual meeting. Discipline specific as well as integrated presentations are made on current topics in dental education. One such program at this year's session was jointly sponsored by the prosthodontic section—"Treatment Planning in the Academic Environment: Impact on Comprehensive Patient Care."

"Professional Responsibility in a Patient Centered Environment" was the lead presentation, delivered by Dr. Saporito. He identified challenges that face dental educators in the 90's: "College and universities are rethinking priorities and how they operate; dental schools must respond to the goals of the university; patients are less willing to accept the authoritative role of the doctor;" and the health care system is fragmented." In setting goals for our dental schools he argued that we must:

1. use our time efficiently and effectively
2. provide the highest quality care to our patients

focused on "The History and Current Development of the ITI System," and featured comments by Professor Schroeder, as well as a presentation by Dr. Daniel Buser highlighting Professor Schroeder's accomplishments and giving the history of the ITI implant system.

Professor Schroeder has made many outstanding contributions to the field of osseointegrated implants, most notably in providing the first true histologic evidence of osseointegration. His studies are not limited to bone reaction; he has also examined soft tissue reactions to titanium implants.

A final addition to the Academy's program was Thursday evening's open forum addressing international equivalency in training. The open forum has been organized to gather a wide variety of opinions from the many international attendees expected at the Annual Meeting. The session was moderated by Dr. Harvey Wigdor, Chairman of the Membership and Credentials Committee and Dr. Aron Gonshor, Co-Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on International Relations. Dr. Gonshor was enthusiastic about the open forum: "We hope received valuable input from Academy members within and outside the U.S. during this session. Determining the direction of the Academy of Osseointegration is an exciting task because it highlights the strength and importance of the multi-discipline organization." ♦

3. serve the community we are in
4. be a resource to the profession

And in serving notice to those in dental education he warned that "change will occur with or without us. We can sit back and watch it change, or we can help the change. We can and should be part of the process."

Other College members involved in the symposium included: Dr. Ivy S. Schwartz who addressed the topic of "Treatment Planning from the Faculty Point of View" and Dr. Aidan P. Stephens who spoke of "The Ultimate Challenge: The Loyola Experience."

At a symposium on change in dental education, Dr. William A. Kuebker made a presentation about developing competency statements for occlusion. Drs. Carl E. Misch and Paul A. Schnitman participated in the implant dentistry special interest group program and Kevin C. Kopp spoke at the geriatrics special interest group.

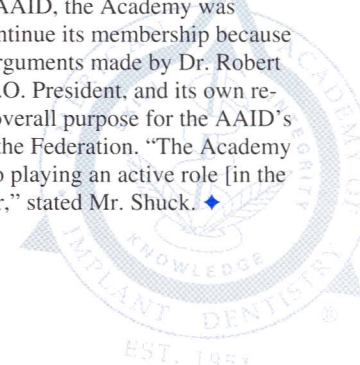
Abstracts of educational research or new programs presented at the meeting were authored or co-authored by the following ACP members: Drs. Keith E. Kindernecht, Kevin C. Kopp, Peter S. Lind, and Joel O. Martin. An educational exhibit, where dental schools share ideas for new teaching programs, was staffed by Dr. Russell J. Stratton.

The next annual AADS meeting will be held in Seattle, Washington, from March 12 to 15, 1994. The Fixed Prosthodontics and Removable Prosthodontics Sections will be sponsoring a combined meeting featuring the topic of laboratory technology proficiency in dental education.

*Arthur Nimmo, DDS
Director*

AAID Continues Membership in FPO

The Executive Council of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry has informed the President of the Federation of the Prosthodontic Organizations that it will continue as a member organization of the F.P.O. According to Mr. J. Vincent Shuck, Executive Director of the AAID, the Academy was persuaded to continue its membership because of convincing arguments made by Dr. Robert Schweitzer, F.P.O. President, and its own re-analysis of the overall purpose for the AAID's membership in the Federation. "The Academy looks forward to playing an active role [in the F.P.O.] this year," stated Mr. Shuck. ♦



Midwest Regional Meeting Offers Something for Everyone

Beginning with a golf outing on Friday, April 30th, and followed by a full-day program on prosthodontics, the 3rd Annual Midwest Regional Meeting of the College promises something for everyone.

"Continuing with a tradition started three years ago, we look to make the concept of a regional meeting a vital part of College activities," said Dr. Douglass Goff, program chairman, Ohio Section. "In order to encourage widespread participation we have organized a program that mixes the research, the practical, and the social aspects of professional fellowship."

To provide an update on College projects and plans for his term as president, Dr. Ronald Woody will be attending the meeting and participating in the program.

Location:

Sheraton Suites Hotel
201 Hutchinson Ave.
Columbus, OH 43235
(614) 436-0004
Call for reservations

Program:

Friday, April 30, 1993

Golf Outing (optional)
Meet at 12:00 pm in the hotel lobby

Saturday, May 1, 1993

8:00 am Registration
Morning Session

"Physical Properties of Various Porcelain Systems"

Ceramics are the most esthetic and biocompatible of the available dental restorative materials. Unfortunately they are liable to catastrophic failure due to fracture. High

strength materials have overcome some of these deficiencies, but problems remain and ceramics are still unsuitable for high stress applications. This presentation will summarize the current state of the art of dental ceramics and highlight future developments.

Dr. Stephen F. Rosenstiel
Chair, Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry
Ohio State University College of Dentistry

"Achieving High Quality Esthetics with Dental Ceramics"

Use of porcelain laminate veneers, all-ceramic crowns, and metal-ceramic systems will be discussed, with emphasis on when each system works best.

Dr. J. Gregory Wall
Private Practice Limited to Prosthodontics
Charlottesville, VA

12:00 Luncheon
Afternoon Session — Workshops

"Managing the Overhead in a Prosthodontic Practice"

"Developing Your Dream Team"

Mr. Gary Henschen
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4:30 pm Adjourn

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Woody Elected Chair of Advisory Committee for ADA

Dr. Ronald D. Woody was elected Chairman of the Advisory Committee for Advanced Education in Prosthodontics of the ADA Commission of Dental Accreditation. The main function of the Advisory Committee is to review accreditation reports on advanced education programs and recommend accreditation status to the Commission.

The Advisory Committee is composed of two members selected from the specialty organization and two members from the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP). The FPO/ACP recently named Dr. Stephen F. Bergen and the ABP named Dr. James W. Schweiger to serve on the Advisory Committee. The term is for three years with one reappointment possible. Dr. Woody is the representative from the ABP and Dr. William Culpepper is the other member representing the specialty. Dr. Gerald Graser (FPO/ACP) and Dr. Robert Morrow (ABP) have just completed their terms. ♦

Call for JP Editor Nominees

The current five-year term of the Editor of the Journal of Prosthodontics ends this year. According to the Bylaws, the current editor may be reappointed for additional five-year term, or the Board is free to recommend another candidate for the position. The ACP Nominating Committee is currently accepting nominations for the position of Editor, Journal of Prosthodontics. Interested individuals should send a cover letter and c.v. to Dr. David W. Eggleston, Chair, ACP Nominating Committee, 1441 Avocado Avenue, Suite 508, Newport Beach, CA 92660. All nominations must be received by June 1, 1993. ♦



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1993 October 28-30
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1996 October 3-6
Hyatt Regency Crown Center,
Kansas City, Missouri

1997 November 6-8
Stouffer Resort, Orlando, Florida

Should implant dentistry be part of the undergraduate dental curriculum?

The undergraduate curriculum should include basic information on diagnosis, treatment planning, surgery and restoration of dental implants. It is in the best interest of the dental consumer that the majority of implant training be completed in a formal controlled educational environment, not a weekend course at a resort hotel. Enough information should be provided so that interested students are intelligently able to discuss implant treatment with their patients and refer them to the appropriate specialist. The interested undergraduate can then have the basic knowledge how and where to pursue more advanced training to suit their particular desires.

Early implant education can only benefit the profession and patients. Interested undergraduates may pursue specialty training in prosthodontics, periodontics, or oral and maxillofacial surgery and/or contribute to implant research. It is important for the continued vitality of implant dentistry that the undergraduate studies include basic implant exposure.

Robert L. Schneider, DDS, MS
Coralville, IA

The biological basis for implant dentistry and the principles of therapy should definitely be taught at the undergraduate level. Techniques for placement and procedures for restoration should also be part of the curriculum. These early experiences should be gained in a laboratory setting, on models, animal tissues or other artificial jaw mechanism.

The actual treatment of patients should be prohibited unless there exists an organized program for follow-up care. Experienced faculty, with a minimum of one-half time commitment, must be available to ensure continuity of care throughout all phases of implant treatment. This condition must be satisfied if clinical training in implantology is to be provided to the undergraduate dental students.

Granted, the majority of implants today are being placed by general practitioners, but these dentists have had some years of practical clinical experience before getting involved in implant dentistry. They have a larger knowledge base concerning related aspects of implant treatment (occlusal plane orientation, esthetics, jaw relation records, etc.) than is possessed by an undergraduate student. There are many basics in treatment planning for the implant patient that can not be fully appreciated by the student, who has had limited firsthand experience in dentistry.

We have only seen the tip of the iceberg regarding improper implant treatment. Let us not contribute to this problem by starting too soon in our practical training of undergraduate students. Heeding the truism "you must learn to walk before you can run" will serve the profession and the patients seeking our services.

James N. Thiel, DDS, MScD
Associate Professor of Prosthetic Dentistry
Boston University School of Graduate Dentistry
Boston, MA

Of course! The long term safety and efficiency of the Branemark system of osseointegration implantology is evident. Implants will soon be as common as other restorative modalities. Replacement of teeth with implant supported prostheses offers advantages that no other form of therapy can provide. In some circumstances implant supported restorations may even be superior to restorations on natural tooth roots.

The techniques and technologies are now available to all dentists. The responsibility for teaching this important modality should rest with dental educators at dental schools. Dental students should be exposed to osseointegrated implantology in an organized educational environment. A one or two day course is simply not adequate training nor preparation for the demands of this type of therapy. Implant dentistry should be an integral part of the undergraduate dental experience.

J.K. Sutherland, DMD, MS
University of Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan, Canada

Having been involved in a General Practice Residency and an Advanced Education Program in General Dentistry for five years, I strongly feel that implant dentistry to the extent of credentialing should not be part of the undergraduate dental curriculum. The emphasis in dental schools should be placed on the basic clinical skills and an appreciation for treatment planning. The present four year curriculum is already crammed with "requirements." The addition of implant dentistry to this already stressed curriculum can only complicate and confuse the education of students.

Were implant dentistry to be included in undergraduate dental education — how could state and regional examining boards include this modality in the licensure process?

However, sufficient exposure to implant dentistry should be included to allow the student to advise patients of this treatment option. As with full-mouth orthodontics and reconstructive oral surgery, students are exposed and familiarized with the procedures so that they may make appropriate referrals when deemed necessary.

To be sure, implant dentistry must be included in all graduate programs, for it is at this juncture of one's dental education that the knowledge base expands. A more developed understanding of occlusion, function, esthetics, and biomaterials, complemented by a staff of formally trained individuals in all phases of implant dentistry will provide the right atmosphere for training in this challenging area of dentistry. Both the patient and the provider benefit from this expansion.

Raymond L. Tiffany, DMD, MS
Albuquerque, NM

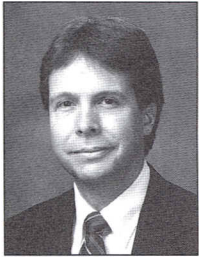
The Question:

Should there be specialty procedure codes for services customarily provided by dental specialists?

College members prepared to respond to the question posed should submit a position statement not to exceed 250 words by June 1, 1993. Please your name and address with submission and mail to:

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Editor-in-Chief, The ACP Messenger
Marquette University
604 N. 16th St.
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Nimmo Appointed Prosthodontic Chair



Arthur Nimmo, DDS

During 1992 he became the Director for the

Dr. Bruce Graham, Dean of the University of Detroit-Mercy School of Dentistry, has announced the appointment of Dr. Arthur Nimmo as Professor and Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists.

Education Division on the College's Board of Directors. As the chair of the Education and Advancement Committee, he has organized and participated in the Board Preparation Course at the Annual Session, and has played a vital role in the updating of the educational materials for those pursuing certification.

Dr. Nimmo has been a member of the prosthodontic faculty of both the University of California at San Francisco and Temple University in Philadelphia. Most recently he was Professor and Director of the Division of Removable Prosthodontics at Temple University School of Dentistry. ♦

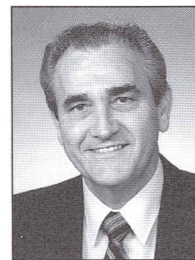
Bullard Assumes New Role at Baylor College of Dentistry

Jesse T. Bullard, DDS has been appointed to chair Baylor College of Dentistry's Department of Restorative Sciences. This department was formed through the merger of the departments of Operative Dentistry, Fixed and Removable Prosthodontics, and Endodontics.

A faculty member of Baylor College of Dentistry since 1970, Dr. Bullard has been professor and chairman of the Department of Operative Dentistry since 1973. From 1972 to 1985 he also served as the director of the fixed prosthodontic graduate program.

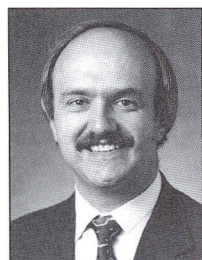
Dr. Bullard is a diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a fellow of

the American College of Prosthodontists. He served as the president of the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations from 1989 to 1990 and has been on the board of directors of the American Academy of Crown and Bridge Prosthodontics since 1986. He is currently the vice president of the Academy of Fixed Prosthodontists. ♦



Jesse T. Bullard, DDS

Drago Named to ADA Seminar Series



Carl J. Drago, DDS, MS

by members to serve the ADA in this capacity. Tentatively titled "New Frontiers in Prosthodontics for the General Practitioner," Dr. Drago will be acquainting generalists with recent advances in prosthodontics and providing guidelines to general dentists for referring a patient to a prosthodontist.

To receive the approval of the ADA to participate in the specialty speaker's bureau, Dr. Drago had to submit a course outline and formally present select portions of his program to a reviewing committee. After the

The ACP has been informed that Dr. Carl J. Drago will serve the American Dental Association as part of the ADA Seminar Series. An ad hoc committee of the College nominated Dr. Drago after having reviewed many applications submitted

committee's consideration and favorable review the College was notified and Dr. Drago was officially designated.

Dr. Drago graduate from the Ohio State University College of Dentistry in 1976 and completed a general practice residency at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, from 1976-1977. He became an instructor in the Division of Crown and Bridge of the University of Texas Dental School at San Antonio from 1977 until he entered the Graduate Prosthodontic program at the University of Texas in 1979. He completed his training and earned a Master of Science degree from the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, University of Texas at San Antonio. Dr. Drago began his clinical practice at Gunderson Clinic in La Crosse, Wisconsin, as a staff prosthodontist in 1981. In addition to his clinical activities, he has been engaged in research, published in several prosthodontic journals, and has lectured on assorted aspects of the specialty throughout the country. ♦

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Georgia - Oral Rehabilitation, a full-time tenure/non-tenure track position at the Assistant/Associate Professor level available June 1, 1993. Responsibilities include didactic, preclinical, and clinical teaching at the predoctoral and postdoctoral levels in Prosthodontics with emphasis in Removable Prosthodontics and Occlusion. Participation in scholarly activities and intramural practice are required. Qualifications include DDS/DMD degree and completion of an advanced education program in Prosthodontics. Board certification or eligibility required. Preference will be given candidates with prior experience in dental education. Applicants must be a graduate of an ADA accredited dental school and be licensed in a state or eligible for licensure by the Georgia Board of Dentistry. Salary and academic rank are commensurate with experience and qualifications. Please submit a letter and curriculum vitae by May 15 to: Dr. W. Frank Caughman, Acting Chair, Department of Oral Rehabilitation, Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry, Augusta, GA 30912-1260, (706) 721-2881. MCG is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Wisconsin - Full-time, tenure track position at the Assistant/Associate Professor level for director of the advanced prosthodontics program effective September 1, 1993. Candidates must be board certified or board eligible and have experience in graduate education and research. Graduation from an ADA accredited dental school is required. Responsibilities will include didactic and clinical teaching, graduate student research supervision, and program administration. Salary and academic rank commensurate with experience and qualifications. Please send letter of introduction and curriculum vitae to: Dr. Gerald J. Ziebert, Chair, Department of Restorative Sciences, Marquette University School of Dentistry, 604 N. 16th St. Rm. 302A, Milwaukee, WI 53233. Deadline for applications is June 15, 1993. Marquette University is an EEO/AA employer.

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October 2 -3, 1993

Florida Prosthodontic Association, Daytona Beach, FL,
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The American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, Palm Springs, CA,
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Annual Conference European Prosthodontic Association, Milan, Italy,
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Viale dei Mille, 140, 43100 Parma, Italy.

October 28-30, 1993

Annual Session American College of Prosthodontists, Palm Springs, CA,
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International College of Prosthodontists, Burgenstock, Switzerland,
Contact: Dr. George Zarb,
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Toronto, Ontario, M5R 1P9, Canada

November 6-10, 1993

Annual Session of the American Dental Association, San Francisco, CA,
Contact: ADA Headquarters,
211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611

April 28- May 2, 1993

American Association of Endodontists Annual Session, Chicago, IL. Contact: Irma Kudo, Executive Director AAE, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 1501, Chicago, IL 60611 (312) 266-7255

May 15-19, 1993

Annual Session of the **American Academy of Oral Pathology, Portland, ME.** Contact: Dr. John Wright, Secretary-Treasurer AAOP, Baylor College of Dentistry, 3302 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, TX 75246 (214) 828-8118

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