

# PRECEPTORSHIP IN GENERAL PRACTICE & DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

## *Six-Month or One-Year Programs*

The Department of General Practice and Dental Public Health offers Preceptor Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) and General Practice Residency (GPR). These programs are designed to familiarize the participating graduated dentist with principles, practice, procedures and protocols of a dental practice in the U.S. By learning different methods and materials, participants can become more competitive when applying for dental residency programs.

Preceptors are expected to attend all of the classes the residents are assigned to during the year of the preceptorship. These include: CPR, Electronic Patient Record training, a Conscious Sedation course, Biomaterials courses, Dental Photography, Endodontics, Oral Medicine I and II, Pediatric Dentistry, Periodontics, and a myriad of lectures in Prosthodontics (restorative), Implant Dentistry, Esthetics Dentistry, Laser Dentistry, Treatment-Planning conferences, and various "Lunch & Learn" courses. The preceptor can expect to spend approximately 60-80% of the time in the Dental Center after meeting criteria set by the program director. The preceptor will observe and assist the residents in various clinical treatments or laboratory procedures. After first being assigned simple cases to work up and complete, preceptors will be expected to work up and present their assigned patient cases to the treatment-planning board to be approved prior to starting any dental procedure. The preceptor will team with another preceptor to perform clinical treatment, assisting each other unless a dental assistant is available. More complex cases will be assigned based on the competency of each preceptor.

Acceptance into either the AEGD or GPR Preceptor Program does not in any way guarantee acceptance to the graduate residency programs. Individuals interested in the graduate residency programs should apply through normal mechanisms.

The Preceptor Program does not award academic credit. Upon completion of the program, participants receive letters of completion.

The Preceptor Program is administered by the Office of Continuing Education. For more information, contact the CE office at 713-486-4028, by fax at 713-486-4037, or by email at [utsdcontinuinged@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:utsdcontinuinged@uth.tmc.edu).