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Objective :

Dentistry is a fascinating profession where the disciplines of Art and Science meet. We as Dentists need to have many skills and an eye for detail among others, to perform the task at hand in a precise and efficient manner.

Today, there is a major disconnect between physicians and dentists. There is a strong correlation between Periodontal and Heart disease. Smoking and drugs cause irreparable damage to teeth & surrounding structures and, in spite of nationwide awareness, the public support these industries and ending up harming themselves in the process. Many patients have severe periodontal disease and go to the dentist only when they have pain. I want to educate and contribute to change.

Emphasis needs to be placed on the prevention of disease. Health Professionals are compensated more for providing treatment rather than for prevention. Poverty and dental diseases have been proven to coexist. Tons of food are wasted and thrown away daily. Meanwhile, many people globally suffer from malnutrition, hunger and disease. Basic food and healthcare is not a luxury, but a necessity.

We need to protect our environment and the supporting ecosystem which provides us everything to sustain all forms of life in our planet. We should be using toothpaste with all natural ingredients. The list of chemicals we use is growing day by day and so are the associated diseases. The more we consume, the more we pollute. I want to be part of a team which can help make changes in our World to benefit people Worldwide. Looking forward to doing my part in contributing to our Profession and making a change which will help us all and the World we live in.

Employment History

September 1999 – present: Dentist, Private Practice

- Very strong work ethic
- Updated and current
- Passionate about what I do
- Personalized care (one-on-one approach to patient care)
- Punctual
- Dedication to work & team management
- Honesty and integrity in my work

- Attention to detail
- CE fanatic
- Achiever

**September 2011 to December 2012: Associate Professor: New York University
College of Dentistry**

- Managed 60 students in the clinic floor twice a week for 12 hours a day.
- Responsible for patient treatment planning, progression of the students work and guiding them to treatment completion
- Students crave for knowledge and I provide them with the resources thru diagrams, verbal explanation and hands on teaching.
- Responsible to guide, educate and motivate each student
- One on one interaction with students
- Personalized coaching
- Love for teaching
- Passionate in teaching
- Love to share knowledge. Everyone wins. Learn and grow together.
- Responsible to take CE courses and be current at all times.
- Learnt a lot from interaction with fellow faculty, directors, staff and students

July 1993 – September 1999: Dentist Associate

Philadelphia Dental Center, Philadelphia, PA, United States

- Utilized knowledge gained from GPR
- Managed a team
- Coordinated front and back office
- Administrative experience
- Learnt to work with multiple doctors
- Applied my communication skills
- Explaining treatment plan to patients
- Utilized my drawing skills in treatment planning
- Utilized practice management and IT Systems
- Custom communication with the dental lab

July 1992 – July 1993: Dental Resident - GPR

Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York City, NY, United States

- Public speaking skills
- Presenting cases to residents and attending
- Attending to In house patients
- TMJ rotation 3 months: In house and out patients

- Anesthesiology rotation 3 months: Intubated patients, assisted Anesthesiologists, monitored cases in OR, assisted Oral surgeons during Jaw fracture surgeries, Post op care of inpatients, watched open heart surgery, kidney transplants, liposuction procedures and GI surgeries during my rotation
- Team player: communicating with OP staff , nurses, doctors
- Lab communication skills: Photos, verbal, prescription

Education

July 1992: New York University College of Dentistry, New York City, NY, United States

Qualification: **Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS Degree)**

June 1988: Bachelor of Dental Surgery, Chidambaram, Tamil Nadu, India

Qualification: **Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS Degree)**

June 1984: St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirapalli, Tamil Nadu, India

Qualification: **B.Sc Botany, Gold Medalist.**

Interpersonal Skills

- Honesty & Integrity
- Ethical
- Trustworthy
- Authentic
- Gets along with everyone
- Easy to approach & work with
- Enjoy and love what I do
- Very competent
- Excellent character
- Leadership abilities
- Team player
- On time: Punctuality
- Open minded
- Open to discussion
- Being a leader : Guiding a team
- Accept criticism to improve
- Learn from others
- Share my knowledge and expertise
- Help everyone
- Guide Dentist's in need
- Daily Learner
- Dedicated
- Very strong work ethics

Professional Affiliations

- Academy of General Dentistry (AGD)
- American Association of Dental Consultants
- American Dental Association (ADA)
- PEARL Network Practitioner-Investigator
- Special Olympics: Special Smiles Program
- New Jersey AGD (Academy of General Dentistry) Board Member
- New Jersey AGD: Vice President & past CE Chair
- Thomson Reuters: Expert Dental Witness
- American Medical Experts: Expert Dental witness, Case reviewer
- Practitioner Investigator: University of Rochester
- Parker Family Health Center
- Dental Advisor
- Clinicians choice
- Dental products report
- Dental Expert

Hobbies

- Acrylic Painting on Canvas
- charcoal & graphite pencil sketching
- Water color on paper
- Photography (portrait, landscape, close-up)
- Worldwide travel
- Food
- Astronomy
- Architecture
- Archeology
- Soap-carving, Collage & Sculpting
- Reading
- Science and Nature.

Achievements

- Gold Medalist in B.Sc Botany.
- Fellow, Academy of General Dentistry (FAGD)
- Master, Academy of General Dentistry (MAGD)
- Fellow, International Congress of Oral Implantologists (FICOI)
- LLSR (Life Long Service Recognition): Requirements met

Citizenship U.S. Citizen - United States

Languages

- English – Fluent
- Hindi – Fluent
- Tamil – Native
- Sanskrit & Urdu– Conversational
- Malayalam – Fluent

Continuing Dental Education

Over 2300 Hours of continuing dental education including hands-on courses

Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) Transcript enclosed.

- CE keeps me updated
- Inspires me to strive for further knowledge
- Empowers
- Helps me learn and grow

Invited Speaker at Fiji Dental Association: August 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 2013

Topics Presented: (Presented to practicing dentists, final-year dental students, & faculty in Suva, Fiji at the Lautoka Hospital, Fiji and Fiji National University, Fiji.)

- Special Olympics Program: Healthy Athletes, Special Smiles
- Patient Relationships and Effective Communication in the Dental Practice
- The REAL World of Dentistry: Technological Advances for the Future Young Dentist
- Practice Management

Dentist Licenses:

- New York
- New Jersey
- Pennsylvania

Certification:

- Invisalign
- Dental Implants
- Dental lasers

- CPR/ AED Certified

Volunteer Activities

- Special Olympics Special Smiles Program: Volunteer
- Donated Dental Services: Volunteer
- Greater New York Dental Meeting: Workshop and Seminars Committee
- Parker Family Health Center: Volunteer Dentist
- Dental Expert for attorneys
- *The Dental Advisor* Magazine: Clinical Consultant Evaluator
- *General Dentistry* Magazine for Dentists: Manuscript Reviewer
- Academy of General Dentistry Annual Meeting (San Diego 2011): Course Manager
- Academy of General Dentistry Annual Meeting (Philadelphia 2012): Course Manager
- New Jersey AGD (Academy of General Dentistry): Board Member
- Greater New York Dental Meeting: Seminar and Workshop Committee
- *Dental Product Shopper* Magazine: Product Evaluator
- *Gordon J. Christensen Clinicians' Report*: Product Evaluator
- AGD Annual Meeting in Detroit, MI (2014) – Delegate, Represented NJ AGD
- CE Chair: NJAGD 2011-2014
- Going to San Francisco in June 2015 as a Delegate representing NJ AGD
- Vice President: NJ AGD 2014-2015
- President-Elect NJ AGD 2015-2016

References, on request.