

ACP Resident and New Prosthodontist Mentoring Center



Captain Michael Andersen, DDS, MS, FACP was born and raised in San Antonio, Texas. He graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Science in Biology in 2005 and graduated from the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio with a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 2009. He was commissioned a Lieutenant in the US Navy in May 2009. Upon graduating from dental school, he completed a General Practice Residency at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland. Subsequently, he served a two-year operational assignment as the dental officer aboard the USS Ashland (LSD-48) stationed in Norfolk, Virginia.

Dr. Andersen completed residency training in Prosthodontics at the Naval Postgraduate Dental School in Bethesda, Maryland as well as earned a master's

degree in Oral Biology from the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences. Upon graduation, he received the Chief of the Dental Corps Award for Excellence, awarded to the top graduate across all Naval Postgraduate Dental School residency programs for clinical and academic performance. Dr. Andersen achieved Board Certification by the American Board of Prosthodontics in August 2015 and has fellowship status with the American College of Prosthodontists, the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, and the International College of Dentists.

After residency training, he reported to Naval Health Clinic Hawaii in August 2015 and served as the command dental laboratory officer and concurrently served as the Specialty Leader for Clinical Restorative Digital Dentistry from August 2016 through June 2018. Following this assignment, Dr. Andersen graduated from fellowship at MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas with a Certificate in Oral Oncology and Maxillofacial Prosthodontics in June 2019.

Captain Andersen reported to Navy Medicine Readiness and Training Command San Diego in July 2019 and served as the Department Head, DHA Regional Dental Laboratory San Diego from August 2020 to December 2024 and concurrently served as BUMED Specialty Leader for Dental Laboratory Services from February 2021 to February 2025 while supporting direct clinical care and graduate dental education to OMFS and GRP residents. He currently serves as Department Chair and Program Director, Maxillofacial Prosthodontics Fellowship at the Naval Postgraduate Dental School.

Captain Andersen's military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Navy Unit Commendation (2), Meritorious Unit Commendation, National Defense Service Ribbon, Global War on Terror Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Rifle Marksman Ribbon, and Expert Pistol Medal. He holds the designation of Surface Warfare Medical Department Officer.