

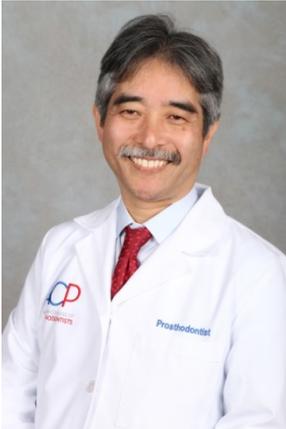
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Dr. Hiroshi Hirayama Honored with Educator of the Year Award by the American College of Prosthodontists



CHICAGO — [Hiroshi Hirayama, DDS, DMD, MS, FACP](#), was honored with the Educator of the Year Award by the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP). Dr. Hirayama was honored at the Annual Awards & Presidents Dinner during the 44th Annual Session of the American College of Prosthodontists held in New Orleans from Nov. 5-8, 2014.

Dr. Hirayama has been a dedicated educator at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, serving as the Director of the Tufts Prosthodontic Residency Program for 20 years. His commitment to educating the future of the prosthodontic specialty is unsurpassed.

“Dr. Hirayama’s residents have been exceptionally successful. He has one of the highest percentages of residents obtaining American Board of Prosthodontics certification of all prosthodontic programs,” said Dr. John Agar, ACP President.

“His residents are also very visible providing poster clinics, earning research grants and winning awards. They respect and appreciate the outstanding education he has provided them. Many come back and voluntarily teach for extended periods of time in his program.”

The winner of the Educator of the Year Award is recognized for exceptional skills as a dental educator. This award is presented to individuals (ACP members) who have made substantial contributions to the welfare and advancement of the College or prosthodontics; with outstanding overall achievement in academic dentistry; and contributions to the sciences or health profession.

Prosthodontists are specialized dentists with advanced training in oral health issues, who are committed to improving patient outcomes. From implants, crowns, veneers and tooth whitening, to full-mouth reconstruction, Prosthodontists specialize in digital dentistry and CAD/CAM solutions.

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About the ACP

The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) is the official sponsoring organization for the specialty of prosthodontics, which is one of nine recognized specialties of the American Dental Association. Founded in 1970, ACP is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to enhancing patient care, advancing the art and science of prosthodontics, promoting the specialty of prosthodontics to the public and other dentists and healthcare professionals, ensuring the quality of prosthodontic education, and providing professional services to its membership. Visit GoToAPro.org to learn more. [National Prosthodontics Awareness Week \(NPAW\)](#) is April 12-18, 2015. NPAW promotes public awareness about the critical importance of a healthy mouth and why Prosthodontists bring patients optimal oral health.