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Dr. Frank J. Tuminelli Installed as President of the American College of Prosthodontists *Officers Installed During 44th Annual Session of the American College of Prosthodontists*



CHICAGO — Frank J. Tuminelli, DMD, FACP, has been installed as the 2014-15 president of the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP). Dr. Tuminelli was sworn in during the 44th Annual Session of the ACP held in New Orleans from Nov. 5-8, 2014.

Dr. Tuminelli is a highly respected and well-loved Prosthodontic professional, who has served as a member of the ACP Board of Directors for 10 years and holds the distinction of ACP Fellow. A member of the ACP Spokespersons Network, Dr. Tuminelli has been quoted in three publications this year and has appeared in two ACP videos for the College.

Dr. Tuminelli is past president of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics (GNYAP) and is the graduate program director for New York Hospital Queens, which is a member of the Presbyterian Health System. With his extensive leadership experience in Prosthodontic organizations, his work as a member of the CODA Revisions Task Force, and his perspective as

an educator and private practice Prosthodontist whose clients have included the New York Islanders, Dr. Tuminelli represents the needs of academics as well as private practitioners at a time when informed patients see a specialist – a Prosthodontist – as having advanced training in digital dentistry and new technology that saves patients time and cuts surgery time in half.

"During my presidency, one of my goals will be to ensure Prosthodontics continues to attract the best and brightest talent for research, clinical practice, academia and, subsequently, leadership to the specialty," Dr. Tuminelli said. "Today, I have patients who ask to see their 'new tooth' being made, hold the block of ceramic, watch it being milled, and then, as a Prosthodontist, I place it in their mouth -- all in one appointment."

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 <u>digital dentistry</u> and CAD/CAM solutions.

The ACP is the only Prosthodontic specialty organization whose membership is based solely on education credentials. ACP members must be in or have completed an ADA-accredited advanced education program in Prosthodontics.

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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.