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**Capt. Robert M. Taft Installed as Vice President of the American College of Prosthodontists**  
*Officers Installed During 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the American College of Prosthodontists*



CHICAGO – [Capt. Robert M. Taft, DDS, FACP](#), was installed as vice president of the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) for a one-year term. Dr. Taft was sworn in during the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the ACP held in Orlando from Oct. 21-24, 2015.

Captain Taft was born and grew up in Little Neck Long Island, N.Y. He received his D.D.S degree from Emory University School of Dentistry in 1983. He entered the Navy in 1983 following graduation and was commissioned a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps. In 1988, Captain Taft entered the Prosthodontic Residency Program at the Naval Postgraduate School in Bethesda, Md., and two years later received a certificate. He stayed on staff in the Prosthodontic Department as the Laboratory Officer and Head of Fixed Prosthodontics. He then completed his fellowship in Maxillofacial Prosthetics at Wilford Hall Medical Center in 1992.

Captain Taft served as Dean of the Naval Postgraduate Dental School and Specialty Leader to the Surgeon General for Postgraduate Dental Education from June 2006 to June 2011, Deputy Chief, United States Navy Dental Corps from June 2011 to June 2013 and is currently Department Chair, Prosthodontics, at the Naval Postgraduate Dental School.

Captain Taft is a Diplomate, Board Examiner and President of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Fellow/BOD member of the American College of Prosthodontists, Fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics, Past President of the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, Director of ADT North America, CODA site visitor, CODA Prosthodontics Review Committee and past Specialty Leader to the Surgeon General for Maxillofacial Prosthetics and Implant Dentistry. His personal awards include two Legions of Merit, three Meritorious Service medals, two Navy Commendation medals and two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement medals.

“What the ACP can accomplish as an organization is virtually limitless. We are in the business of service to each other and to the patients we treat everyday. Together, we will make the College a stronger, more vibrant and dynamic organization. I am so proud to be a prosthodontist and part of an incredible team of professionals,” said Captain Taft.

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](#), [cosmetic dentistry](#), and [sleep apnea](#) 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 only 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. For more information visit [GoToAPro.org](http://GoToAPro.org).