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The American College of Prosthodontists Installs Five New Board Members

Chicago - The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) has installed five new board members. The members were sworn in during the ACP’s 45th Annual Session held in Orlando from Oct. 21-24, 2015.

Steven M. Morgano, DMD, FACP, was installed as the regional membership director for Northeastern region 1; John D. Ball, DDS, FACP, was installed as the regional membership director of Central region 3; William Wilson, Jr. DDS, MS, FACP, was installed as regional membership director of the Federal Services region 6; Kenneth S. Kurtz, DDS, FACP, was installed as the Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP) (Maxillofacial); and Michelle Howard Rynn, DMD, FACP, was installed as the Council for the ABP (Dental Educator).

Dr. Steven M. Morgano has been a member of the American College of Prosthodontists since he graduated from his postdoctoral prosthodontic program in 1979. From 2006-2008, he served as president of the Massachusetts section of the ACP, and from 2008-2011 he served as the alternate regional director of the Northeast Region of the ACP.

Dr. John D. Ball is currently a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Restorative Clinical Sciences at the University of Missouri, Kansas City School of Dentistry; Removable Prosthodontics Section Head; and course director for both the Advanced Prosthodontics course and the Complete Removable Prosthodontics lecture and laboratory.

Dr. William O. Wilson, Jr. is a Commander in the United States Navy Dental Corps and is currently serving as the Department Chairman and the Program Director for the Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship at the Naval Postgraduate Dental School in Bethesda, Md. and consultant to the Navy Surgeon General as the Navy Specialty Leader for Maxillofacial Prosthetics and Dental Implants.

Dr. Kenneth S. Kurtz is a Clinical Professor and Director of the Division of Maxillofacial Prosthetics at Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine, Director, Maxillofacial Prosthetics Section, graduate Prosthodontics, NY Hospital Queens, and Director of Prosthodontic Research at the Graduate Prosthodontic program at Montefiore Medical Center/AECOM. Dr. Kurtz is also a member of the ACP Spokespersons Network, and is featured in this ACP video about why he’s a prosthodontist.

Dr. Michelle Howard Rynn received her DMD degree at the University of Pittsburgh. Immediately following dental school, she began a prosthodontic residency at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Dr. Rynn has been a member of the ACP for almost five years. In 2014, a year after completing her residency, she successfully challenged the American Board of Prosthodontics and became a Fellow of the ACP. Within the ACP, she is a member of the Predoctoral Educators Committee. Dr. Rynn is featured in this ACP Digital Dentistry Minute video.

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.
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.