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**Dr. Steven Eckert Honored with the Dan Gordon Lifetime Achievement Award**  
*The American College of Prosthodontists recognizes outstanding contributions*



(Dr. Eckert, right, pictured with ACP Immediate Past President  
Dr. Susan E. Brackett)

CHICAGO – The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) honored [Steven Eckert, DDS, MSD, FACP](#), with the Dan Gordon Lifetime Achievement Award at the Annual Awards & President’s Dinner during the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the ACP held in San Francisco from Nov. 1-4, 2017.

This award is named after Dr. Daniel F. Gordon who served in the U.S. Army during WWII and later went on to be a private practitioner and educator in the field of prosthodontics. Dr. Eckert was chosen to receive this recognition because of his outstanding contributions to the prosthodontic specialty and his advancements to the profession.

“Receiving this award is an honor that I had never anticipated. I was literally speechless,” said Dr. Eckert. “In the specialty of prosthodontics, many people have contributed so much time and intellectual effort that it is hard to believe at any one point in time, one individual would be so recognized. Thank you.”

Dr. Eckert has been involved with the ACP for many years, serving on the Task Force on Insurance and Diagnostic Codes, maintaining Fellowship status and previously receiving the ACP’s Distinguished Lecturer and Clinician/Researcher Awards. Dr. Eckert is also Editor-in-Chief of the *International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants* and has been published nationally and internationally.

Currently, Dr. Eckert serves as the Director of Research and Clinical Development for the ClearChoice Management Services. He was formerly the Clinical Director and prosthodontist at the Minneapolis ClearChoice Dental Implant Center. Dr. Eckert is also Professor Emeritus at the Mayo Clinic where he previously served as Graduate Program Director and maintained a clinical practice over a 25 year timeframe.

#### **About Prosthodontists**

A prosthodontist is a specialized dentist who focuses on the restoration and replacement of missing teeth and correcting other oral or facial issues. With their advanced training, prosthodontists are able to help patients with implants, dentures and veneers, all the way to a full mouth and jaw reconstruction.

#### **About the ACP**

The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) is the only ADA recognized organization for the specialty of prosthodontics, and is the only prosthodontic organization whose membership is based solely on education credentials. 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, consumers can visit [GoToAPro.org](http://GoToAPro.org) and professionals can visit [Prosthodontics.org](http://Prosthodontics.org).

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