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Education

<i>Samuels Sinclair Dental Center, Rhode Island Hospital at Brown University Health</i> Advanced Education Program in General Practice Residency (GPR)	June 2021 – June 2022
<i>Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine</i> Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)	August 2017 – May 2021
<i>Stony Brook Medicine Program in Public Health</i> Master of Public Health (MPH)	August 2017 – May 2021
<i>Stony Brook University</i> Bachelor of Science in Health Science (BS), Magna Cum Laude	August 2013 – May 2017

Work Experience

<i>North Branford Dental Group</i> Associate General Dentist	March 2023 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide comprehensive general dental care in a group practice setting to patients of all ages in various facets of general dentistry including but not limited to routine and emergency examinations, restorative, fixed and removable prosthodontic, simple oral surgery, simple endodontic, simple pediatric, and other adjunctive services such as Nitrous Oxide sedation.	
<i>Samuels Sinclair Dental Center, Rhode Island Hospital at Brown University Health</i> Dentist – Per Diem & Part Time Faculty	January 2023 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide comprehensive dental care, one day a week on a biweekly basis to the patients of the Samuels Sinclair Dental Center, with particular attention to individuals with special needs.• Provide support and clinical guidance as faculty to the general practice dental residents as needed on the clinical floor.	
General Practice Resident	June 2021 – June 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Managed a daily full schedule of patients that consist of individuals of all age ranges, with a significant proportion of such population being pediatrics and special needs.• Provided comprehensive dental care in a dental clinic and operating room setting in all facets of general dentistry including but not limited to; recall exams, restorations, prosthodontics, simple endodontics, and oral surgery.• Responded to Emergency & In-patient Dental first-call approximately ten days a month for 24/7 dental/OMFS emergencies at Rhode Island Hospital and week-day daytime coverage for dental/OMFS emergencies at Hasbro Children's Hospital.	
<i>Gales Ferry Family Dentistry</i> Associate General Dentist	August 2022 – February 2023

Awards & Honors

<i>Pierre Fauchard Academy</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fellow, Inducted October 2025
<i>Connecticut State Dental Association</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Connecticut State Dental Association Rising Star Award, May 2023
<i>Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The International College of Dentists Student Humanitarian Award, May 2021• The Dimitrios Kilimitzoglou General Dentistry Endowed Scholarship, May 2021• The School of Dental Medicine Alumni Award of Excellence, May 2021• The Stony Brook Alumni Association Dean's Choice Award, May 2021• Pierre Fauchard Academy Oral Health Foundation Scholarship, May 2020• Sachem Dental Group Scholarship, May 2018

Professional Affiliations

American Dental Association • Academy of General Dentistry • Connecticut State Dental Association • Shoreline Dental Society

Leadership Experience

Connecticut State Dental Association (CSDA)

Vice President, May 2025 – Present

CT Delegation to the ADA Dentist & Student Lobby Day – Chair & Action Team Leader Coordinator, March 2025 - Present

District 1 New Dentist Committee – CSDA Representative, October 2024 – Present

Council on Membership – Member, May 2024 – May 2025

Audit Committee – Member, September 2024 – May 2025

Council on Governmental Affairs (CGA) – Member, October 2022 – May 2025

Strategic Planning Committee – Member, October 2022 – May 2025

Connecticut Delegation to the ADA Dentist & Student Lobby Day – Action Team Leader (ATL), April 2023 – March 2025

Connecticut Delegation to the 2024 ADA House of Delegates – Alternate Delegate, October 2024

Connecticut Delegation to the 2025 ADA House of Delegates – Delegate, October 2025

Shoreline Dental Society

Vice President, June 2024 – May 2025

New London Dental Society (NLDS)

Programming Chair, July 2022 – May 2023

American Dental Association (ADA)

Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs (CEBJA) – Member & ASDA Consultant, November 2020 – October 2021

American Student Dental Association (ASDA)

Delegate to the ADA 2020 Virtual House of Delegates – National ASDA, October 2020

Speaker of the House – National ASDA, March 2020 – February 2021

Governance Committee Member – National ASDA, March 2020 – February 2021

President – Stony Brook ASDA Chapter, April 2019 – April 2020

Programming Chair – District 2 ASDA, April 2019 – March 2020

Stony Brook University, School of Dental Medicine

President – Class of 2021, August 2017 – May 2021

Class Officers Committee, August 2017 – May 2021

Diversity Committee – Class Representative, September 2018 – May 2021

Re-Entry to Clinic Task-Force – Class Representative, April 2020 – May 2021

American Association of Public Health Dentistry

President – Stony Brook Chapter, August 2018 – May 2019

New York State Dental Association (NYSDA)

Delegate to the NYSDA 2019 House of Delegates, June 2019

Volunteer Experience

Connecticut Foundation for Dental Outreach

Connecticut Mission of Mercy (CTMOM) – November 2022

Stony Brook University, School of Dental Medicine

Dental Outreach through “Friendship and Oral Health (FAOH)” – Neltume, Chile, February/March 2020

Give Kids A Smile Day, August 2019

American Student Dental Association (ASDA), Stony Brook Chapter

New York State Dental Association (NYSDA), Advocacy/Lobby Day, February 2018, 2019

American Dental Association (ADA), Dentist/Student Lobby Day, April 2018, 2019

Skills

Digital Dentistry

- CAD/CAM scanning, design and milling of dental restorations such as inlays, onlays, crowns and bridges.

Publications

American Student Dental Association

Implementation of digital workflow in dental school clinics, Contour Magazine

March 2020, Vol 4, No 3, Pg. 38

LGBTQ+ Perspectives in the Field of Dentistry, District 2 Newsletter “In The Loupe”

November 4th, 2019

December 28th, 2025

Attn: Kathlene Gerrity, Executive Director

Connecticut State Dental Association

835 West Queen Street

Southington, CT 06489

Dear Ms. Gerrity and Members of the CSDA House of Delegates,

I am honored to submit my letter of intent to serve as a Delegate to the American Dental Association on behalf of the Connecticut State Dental Association. Having had the privilege of serving as an Alternate Delegate at the 2024 ADA meeting and as a Delegate at the 2025 ADA meeting, I have gained meaningful insight into the importance of strong, thoughtful representation at the national level. These experiences have reinforced my commitment to organized dentistry and my desire to continue advocating for Connecticut's dental community through this leadership role.

During my service at the last two ADA HOD's, I observed firsthand how informed debate, collaboration, and strategic decision-making directly influence the direction of our profession. Representing Connecticut dentists on the ADA floor requires a clear understanding of the challenges facing dentistry today, coupled with the integrity and foresight necessary to address them effectively. I believe my experience, along with my longstanding engagement in organized dentistry, has prepared me well to meet these responsibilities. Each of the last two ADA HOD's has come with its own unique challenges and I believe I have a proven track record of overcoming them and helping others to do the same. Just this last year at the 2025 ADA HOD, I created an easy to follow, detailed, Excel Spreadsheet that the entire First District Caucus utilized to keep track of the exceptionally high number of resolutions there was to go through. This helped maintain the First District's efficiency and effectiveness in a rather unprecedented ADA HOD.

If elected again, my work as a Delegate would be guided by two core priorities. First, I am committed to advocating for our members by ensuring that the perspectives of Connecticut dentists are clearly represented in ADA policy discussions, particularly in areas such as student debt, workforce development, and regulatory policy. Second, I will continue to support initiatives that expand access to oral healthcare, address disparities, and improve patient outcomes across diverse populations.

I currently serve as Vice President of the Connecticut State Dental Association and am a new dentist in private practice. Previously, I held leadership roles as Vice President of the Shoreline

Dental Society and Programming Chair of the New London Dental Society. Prior to assuming my current CSDA role, I was actively involved through service on the Council on Governmental Affairs, Council on Membership, Strategic Planning Committee, and Audit Committee. I also continue to represent CSDA as its delegate to the ADA District 1 New Dentist Committee.

My advocacy efforts span the local, state, and national levels. I have participated in multiple ADA National Lobby Days, beginning as a dental student. Three years ago, I assumed the role of Alternate Team Leader for Connecticut's Second District, coordinating advocacy meetings with Representative Courtney's office on issues affecting our profession. This past year, I served as Alternate Team Leader Coordinator and Chair for the CSDA delegation to the ADA Annual Dentist and Student Lobby Day. These roles have provided me with a comprehensive understanding of legislative and policy issues impacting dentistry nationwide.

In addition to my full-time private practice, I work with special needs patients and teach Dental GPR residents at Samuels Sinclair Dental Center in Providence, Rhode Island, where I completed my residency. This role allows me to serve and connect with a vulnerable patient population while mentoring the next generation of dental professionals.

My combined experience as a practitioner, educator, and advocate has prepared me well to effectively represent the Connecticut State Dental Association at the national level. I am committed to bringing the perspectives of a new dentist, private practice and hospital-based practitioner to the ADA, while maintaining strong communication between the ADA and CSDA. My goal is not only to represent Connecticut's interests nationally, but also to return with insights and resources that meaningfully benefit our members and our profession.

Thank you for your consideration of my candidacy. I would be honored to continue serving CSDA as a Delegate to the American Dental Association for this upcoming 2026 ADA HOD, and to work collaboratively with you to advance our shared mission and strengthen the future of dentistry. I welcome any questions or feedback and value your perspective greatly.

Respectfully yours,

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