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Education

- June 2013 – June 2014 **University of Illinois at Chicago – College of Dentistry.**
- Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry
- Aug 2009 – May 2013 **University of Illinois at Chicago – College of Dentistry.**
- Candidate for the Doctor of Dental Surgery
 - Vice President of the Class of 2013 (2009-2010)
- Aug 2005 – May 2009 **University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**
- Bachelors in Science - Applied Life Studies College – Major in Community Health (Health Planning and Administration and Health Education)
 - Minor in Chemistry
 - Honors: Dean's List, James Scholar Honors, Highest Honors

Professional/Work Experience

- Sept 2021 - Present **Raising the Future LLC (formally known as Blooming Smiles Media LLC)**
- Position: Owner and Speaker/Educator/Consultant/Locum Tenens Practitioner
 - Responsibilities: Consult with families and businesses regarding pediatric dental care. Lecture on pediatric dental treatment, trauma, stress, and practice management. Teach other dentists regarding pediatric dental care. Locum Tenens work for doctors who have decided to take leave.
- Sept 2022 to Jan 2023 **Health and Personal sabbatical**
- Nov 2021 – September 2022 **NEO Kids Dentistry and Orthodontics**
- Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage operative and recall schedule in an established pedo-ortho practice
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, general anesthesia, hygiene)
- Aug 2020 – May 2021 **The Dental Loft (LaGrange, IL)**
- Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage operative and recall schedule in an established pedo-general practice
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, general anesthesia, hygiene)
- Nov 2019 – March 2020 **Forest Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry**
- Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage operative and recall schedule in an established pedo-ortho practice
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, general anesthesia, hygiene)
- Jan 2019 – Jan 2020 **Children's Clinic (Oak Park, IL)**
- Clinic for children of families who cannot afford private dental care
 - Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage operative schedule
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, general anesthesia, hygiene)
- Aug 2018 – Oct 2019 **Grove Dental Associates – Lombard**
- Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage operative and recall schedule in an established multi-disciplinary practice; help with marketing/social media; clinically train dental assistants; set up daily functions of each practice (clinical policies/procedures)
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, general anesthesia, hygiene)
- July 2015 – May 2018 **Webster Dental Care – 4 locations: Cicero, Mundelein, Lakeview, Portage Park**
- Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage operative and recall schedule in an established multi-disciplinary practice; help with marketing/social media; clinically train dental assistants; set up daily functions of each practice (clinical policies/procedures)
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, general anesthesia, hygiene)

- July 2015 – July 2016 **Pediatric Dentistry of Northbrook – Dr. Resnick, Dr. Egger, Dr. Tatel (Northbrook, IL)**
- Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage one operative schedule with two recall schedules and emergency patients
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, general anesthesia, hygiene)
- Oct 2014 – July 2015 **Apple Dental Care – Dr. Lamberghini (Chicago, IL)**
- Position: Pediatric Dentist
 - Responsibilities: Manage one operative schedule with two recall schedules and emergency patients
 - Provide dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, hygiene)
- May 2012 – June 2014 **Teaching Assistant – University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Dentistry (Chicago, IL)**
- Position: TA for Pre-Clinic Pediatrics
 - Responsibilities: Help dental students understand the basic restorative procedures for pediatric patients; Help evaluate/grade their performance
- Dec 2012 – March 2013 **Children’s Clinic (Oak Park, IL)**
- Clinic for children of families who cannot afford private dental care
 - Position: Volunteer Dental Care Provider
 - Responsibilities: Provide restorative dental care (ie direct restorations, pulpotomies, SS crowns, strip composite crowns, open-faced crowns, nitrous oxide, hygiene)
- Feb 2010 – May 2012 **Goldie’s Place**
- Support center for people who are homeless
 - Position: Dental Care Provider
 - Responsibilities: Provide free dental care to the homeless through a student run clinic
- May 1, 2011- Jan 10, 2012 **Dr. Kathy Jean, DDS and Dr. Damian Lee, DDS (Evanston, IL)**
- Position: Dental and Administrative assistant
 - Dental Assistant Responsibilities: Assisted with patients in restorations, periodontal surgery, simple extractions, prosthodontic procedures, sterilization
 - Administrative Responsibilities: billing and records, managed schedule, receptionist work, managed inventory, restructured office
- Feb 2010 - June 2013 **Child Care**
- Position: Babysitter/Nanny
 - Responsibilities: household chores, tutor children, feed/bathe children, outdoor and indoor activities, oversee overall health of child
 - Experience with infants, toddlers, teenagers, young adults, and special needs children
- January 1, 2009 – May 10, 2009 **Smile Healthy Internship**
- Position: Public Health Intern
 - Responsibilities: Set up mobile school clinics and educational programs, assisted with patients, billing and records, trained other employees, receptionist work
- June 15, 2007 – Dec 20, 2008 **Dr. Dino’s Dental Oasis (Lombard, IL)**
- Position: Dental Assistant/Intern for Dr. Dean Nicholas ('06-'07 President of the Illinois State Dental Society)
 - Responsibilities: Assisted with patients in restorative and periodontal work, billing and records, training of other employees, administrative work
- Aug 2006 – May 2009 **Supplemental Instruction Leader**
- Position: Undergraduate student teaching assistant
 - Responsibilities: Taught CHEM 232 (Organic Chemistry) concepts to current students
 - Held four SI Sessions per week, in which I had to make a teaching lesson
 - Held review sessions before exams, in which we held a 3 hour+ lecture on exam material
- 2006 – 2013 **Tutoring**
- Position: Private Tutor
 - Responsibilities: teach children to elderly to become proficient in all grade school subjects and/or technical skills
 - Experience: Algebra I & II, Trigonometry, Calculus, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, History, Geography, SAT/ACT/DAT prep, MS Office (offered to elderly), Internet (offered to elderly)

Research

- July 2013 – June 2015 **Social Science Research – University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Dentistry (Chicago, IL)**
- Position: Primary Investigator
 - Responsibilities: surveyed 115 Illinois’ school nurses’ knowledge of dental emergencies, analyzed data, and will be presenting data at AAPD Annual Session 2015

- June 2009 – Aug 2009 **Summer Research Program – University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Dentistry (Chicago, IL)**
- Position: Summer Intern Fellow
 - Responsibilities: Worked with Dr. Koerber to compare, contrast, and evaluate the effectiveness of the distribution of information of tobacco cessation programs, teeth whitening, and fluoride administration
- Jan 2007 – May 2009 **Public Health Research with Dr. Steve Notaro (Champaign-Urbana, IL)**
- Position: Head Student Coordinator
 - Responsibilities: Researched emergency department utilization vs. free/low-cost clinic utilization

Organizations and Activities

- Dec 2015 – Sept 2022 **Children’s Advocacy Center (Chicago, IL)**
- Organization that provides necessary assistance (legal, medical, social) to children and families who have experience sexual and extreme abuse
 - Position: Co-Chair of Associate Board
 - Responsibilities: help fundraise, network, etc by organizing and participating in fundraising events, volunteer at social events for families, spread awareness through awareness campaigns
- October 1, 2005 - Present **Delta Kappa Delta Sorority, Inc.**
- Sisterhood built through community service
 - Focusing on child abuse prevention & awareness and children education
 - First and only South Asian service sorority
 - Position: National President 2011-2013
 - Manage 10 chapters/colonies; monitor progress of 100 active members and 300 alumni members
 - Manage all legal, financial, and administrative matters on a national level
 - Network with other Greek and non-Greek organizations
 - Attend National APIA Panhellenic Association Retreat and Association of Fraternity/Sorority Affairs Conference on behalf of Delta Kappa Delta
 - Organized, attend, and lead our organizational National Conference
 - Position: Founding Vice President of Epsilon Chapter
 - Established our chapter on campus through recognition of DKD’s Nationals and Office of Sorority/Fraternity Affairs office on campus
 - Delegate for United Greek Council
 - Planned and executed C.H.I.L.D. Week during Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness month
 - Participated and organized various community service events
 - Award: Chapter/Colony Vice President of the Year 2006-2007
- May 2014 **Dia del Nino (Chicago, IL)**
- Local healthy fair
 - Position: Volunteer
 - Responsibilities: Performed pediatric dental screenings
- September 2009 – June 2010 **Dental Class Board – University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Dentistry (Chicago, IL)**
- Class delegate that represent the graduating class in important matters regarding their experience in dental school
 - Position: Vice President
 - Responsibilities: Helped oversee other positions, helped plan numerous fundraisers and social events, attend administrative meetings and help make decision that affect student body
- June 2006 – May 2009 **Healthy Smiles (Urbana-Champaign, IL)**
- Student organization on UIUC campus that focused on promoted good dental hygiene through education and community service
 - Position: Founding President
 - Responsibilities: Set up educational programs and volunteer work about proper hygiene for the community and internationally, especially to those underserved communities

Technical Skills

- Advanced knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, SPSS
- Intermediate knowledge of EagleSoft, SoftDent, Dentrax, Ascend
- Intermediate knowledge of Gujarati and Spanish, Beginners knowledge of Hindi

Licensures/Certifications/Professional Affiliations

- Certificate in Executive Practice Administration (University of Florida, Seminole Campus)
 - Dental Leadership/Professional Styles
 - Dental Communication/Team Building
 - Business Plan
 - Staffing your Practice
 - Build, Buy, or Become an Associate/Employee
 - Practice Financials
 - Operational Overhead/Insurance
 - Marketing
 - Operating/Clinical Policies
 - Planning for Retirement/Practice Transitioning
- Colorado Dental Licensure
- Nitrous Oxide Certification
- CPR Certified
- American Dental Association
- American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
- Colorado Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
- American Board of Pediatric Dentistry - Diplomat