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Title

The National Commission Dental Specialty Recognition and Certifying Boards (NCDSRCB's): What is It? What Does It Do? What Does It Mean for Prosthodontics?

Abstract

In this presentation, we will delve into the development rationale behind the formation of the National Commission Dental Specialty Recognition and Certifying Boards (NCDSRCB). A broad overview of its structure, mission, along with highlight of progress since inception will be presented. Its potential impact on the specialty of prosthodontics will be explored.

Learning Objectives

- Describe the rationale and structure of the Commission.
- Describe the functional matrix of the Commission and its approval process.
- Describe the progress of the Commission in recognizing new specialties.

Biography

Dr. Tuminelli received his Dental Degree and specialty training in Prosthodontics from Fairleigh Dickenson University School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Tuminelli is a Diplomate and Director, of the American Board of Prosthodontics and is currently the Program Director of the Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics at the Manhattan Veterans Administration, New York campus. He served as Program Director for Graduate Prosthodontics, New York Presbyterian Hospital 2010 – 2016, and as the Program Director of Advanced Prosthodontics and Implantology, for the NSHLIJ Health System 2000-2010. He is a past President of the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP), and The Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics. He served as the Chair, and (ACP) Commissioner to the National Commission on Dental Specialty Recognition. Dr. Tuminelli is a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Dental Medicine at the Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine, and adjunct clinical assistant professor NYU School of Dentistry. He served as the Team Dentist for the New York Islanders 2002-12. He lectures nationally and internationally, presenting over 70 invited lectures. He has contributed to the scientific literature authoring / coauthoring multiple scientific papers. Dr Tuminelli is the recipient of the 2023 Dan Gordon Lifetime Achievement Award and 2017 Educator of the Year Award from the ACP. He was also awarded the 2023 Founders Medallion from American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation. He maintains a private practice limited to Prosthodontics on Long Island and in New York City.