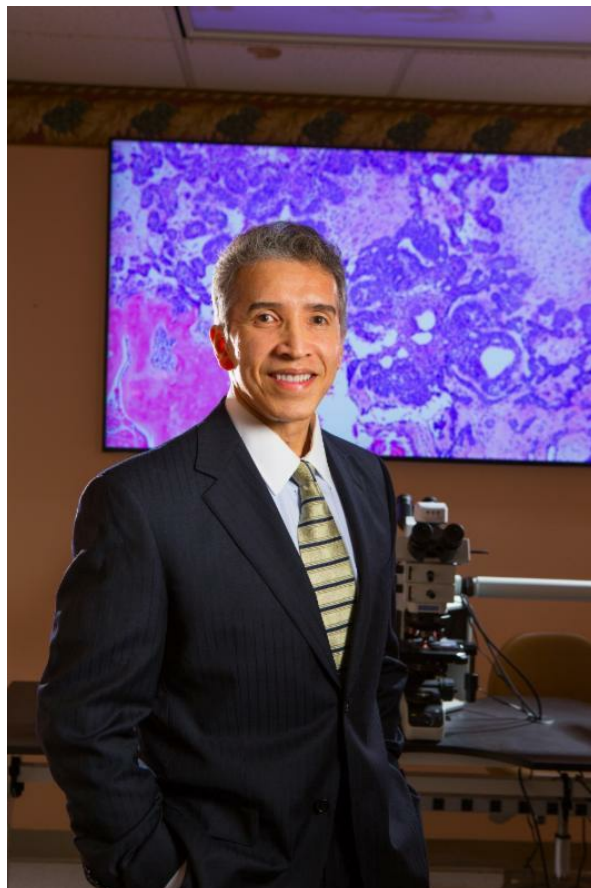




SDM's Dr. Alfredo Aguirre Appointed President of American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology



Dr. Alfredo Aguirre,
Director, Advanced Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology
Professor, Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences

After serving for six years as one of the Directors of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology (ABOMP), on October 9, 2021, Dr. Alfredo Aguirre became its President. This is a leadership position with significant responsibilities that impact the discipline of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. The ABOMP endeavors to represent the interest of oral and maxillofacial pathologists within the profession itself, in the dental and medical community, and to the public at large. The ABOMP is charged with maintaining the highest standards of practice by annually offering initial and maintenance certifications to Oral and Maxillofacial Pathologists in the US and Canada.

Dr. Aguirre is a Professor in the Oral Diagnostic Sciences Department at the University at Buffalo. He has been the Director of its Advanced Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology program for the last 26 years. As of this year, he has trained 30 individuals, most of them certified by the ABOMP, who are currently engaged in academic activities throughout the world. Dr. Aguirre has published over 90 papers in prestigious peer reviewed, national, and international journals. His research interests have focused on salivary gland secretions, salivary gland tumors and chronic ulcerative-immune-mediated diseases affecting the oral cavity.

In addition, he has been the Manager and moderator of BBOP (Bulletin Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology) since 1994. BBOP is a world wide web-based platform with more than 800 subscribers from more than 36 countries around the world. This platform is the premier forum for the interchange of ideas, discussion of topics and announcements concerning Oral Pathology service, research, and teaching.

This year, he will work in harmony with the Directors of the ABOMP to ensure that Oral and Maxillofacial

Pathology continues to advance amidst this turbulent and uncertain time. He is proud to be a faculty member at UB and continuously strives to bring our Institution to the forefront and at the highest academic spheres possible.

Please join us in congratulating [Dr. Aguirre](#) on receiving this prestigious appointment.

2021 ASDA Fashion & Arts Show



[Dr. Patrick Battista, Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Periodontics & Endodontics \(ctr\) leads the audience in Squid Game Competency at the 2021 Fashion & Arts Show](#)

The 2021 ASDA Fashion & Arts Show was held on Friday, November 19th at the Buffalo/Niagara Marriott hotel.

Over 200 attended, including kids from Vive Shelter, a program of Jericho Road Community Health Center. Proceeds from the event will benefit the shelter.

Jericho Road Community Health Center's Vive shelter is the largest refugee shelter in the United States. Founded in 1984, VIVE has served tens of thousands of asylum seekers from more than 100 countries. Vive serves individuals as they begin the process of seeking asylum. Last year VIVE served more than 2,000 refugees, 60% of whom were women and children.

The event showcased dental students, faculty and staff participating in games, walking the runway and playing music. Art was also displayed at the venue. Proceeds from the event of approximately \$2,000 will benefit the shelter.

Sponsors of the event included Axis 360, Auden Buffalo, Collegiate Village, Nancy Gross, UB Dental Alumni Association, UB Dental Student Affairs & Admissions and the American Student Dental Association (ASDA).

2021 Fashion Show committee members included: Ting Xue, '23 (chair), Sandy Ding, '23, Emily Ngugen, '23, Alicja Kazmierowska, '23, Charlene Tsou, '23, Anna Cassidy Scott, '23, Morgan Girardi, '23, Christopher Lepore, '24, Gabriella Sadek, '23, John Lepore, '24, Douglas Yuan, '23 and Hangi Song, '23.

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The Smile Team Teddy Bear Clinic is Back



During the month of November, the Smile Team Teddy Bear Clinic arrived at Buffalo Public School Saturday Academies. This program gives children the opportunity for oral health instructions and career guidance. Dental students set up three interactive tables to ready the children for a pretend dental exam on their teddy bear. The children, dress like a dentist, complete a chart and receive a certificate.

A pilot version of the above program was attended by dental students Areeg Naeem, '25 and Aggarwal Adity, '23, who, although they did not have their own transport, took the buses necessary to get to the outreach site, School #50 for a much-appreciated program. UB SDM supplies and access to care information was handed out. Proper infection control regimen and standard of protocol was implemented.

The Smile Team Teddy Bear Clinic will travel throughout WNY during the rest of the school year.

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