Hendersonville Dentist Receives 2010 Fellowship Award from the Academy of General Dentistry



CHICAGO (July 2010) – The Academy of General Dentistry (AGD), a professional association of more than 35,000 general dentists who are dedicated to staying up to date in the profession through continuing education, is pleased to announce that Cary M. Austin, DDS, FAGD, of Hendersonville, Tenn., received the association's 2010 Fellowship award during the AGD 2010 Annual Meeting & Exhibits, held July 8 to 11 in New Orleans, La.

The Fellowship award is presented to dentists who seek to provide the highest quality of dental care by remaining current in their profession. To accomplish this goal, Dr. Austin completed 500 hours of continuing dental education, passed a comprehensive exam and fulfilled three years of continuous membership in the AGD. As a recipient of this award, Dr. Austin joins more than 6,600 AGD members who understand that providing great smiles and good oral health for their patients are the result of going above and beyond basic requirements.

"We are proud to honor Dr. Austin for his commitment to the profession," says AGD President Fares M. Elias, DDS, JD, FAGD. "He has distinguished himself professionally amongst his peers and demonstrates the characteristics of a role model to his fellow dentists and to the members of the community."

Dr. Austin graduated from the University of Tennessee Science Health Center College of Dentistry in June 1984 and currently practices dentistry in Hendersonville, Tenn. Dr. Austin is married to Wendy and they have two children, Stephanie and Rachel. In addition to the AGD, Dr. Austin is a member of the American Dental Association, the Tennessee Dental Association, the Nashville Dental Society and Cerecdoctors.com.

About the Academy of General Dentistry

The Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) is a professional association of more than 35,000 general dentists dedicated to staying up to date in the profession through continuing education. Founded in 1952, the AGD has grown to become the second-largest dental association in the United States, and it is the only association that exclusively represents the needs and interests of general dentists. More than 772,000 persons in the United States are employed directly in the field of dentistry. A general dentist is the primary care provider for patients of all ages and is responsible for the diagnosis, treatment, management and overall coordination of services related to patients' oral health needs. For more information about the AGD, please visit www.agd.org.