Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is dedicated to attracting and training the best and brightest oral surgery residents to be leaders in the field. Our residents learn to surgically: correct birth defects of the face and skull, such as cleft lip and cleft palate; remove diseased or impacted teeth; perform reconstructive or cosmetic surgery to correct problems that result from trauma, skeletal, and dental jaw irregularities or from the removal of cysts and tumors; and to ease patients’ pain.

We offer a thriving, best-in-class training program that provides our residents with exceptional medical and dental knowledge and technical skill, and with the interpersonal and communication abilities needed to lead oral surgery practices or academic departments. We have a history of producing nationally and internationally acclaimed academics, thought leaders, and practitioners in oral surgery. We are also proud, in the Eastman tradition, of sharing our clinical and research expertise through international faculty and resident exchange programs, contributing to the body of literature, and serving those less fortunate or with intellectual or developmental disabilities with the services we provide.

As we look to the future, the Eastman Institute for Oral Health and the University of Rochester are committed to helping us recruit additional faculty to not only continue our tradition of excellent mentorship, but to provide an ever-increasing number of patients in the region with the oral surgery services they need. In order to attract and retain them, we must provide the latest technology in state-of-the-art care and training environments.

With your support, we can provide the nation’s preeminent resident training in oral and maxillofacial surgery and become the national model for patient care.

Dedicated to State-of-the-Art Training and Care

Antonia Kolokythas, D.D.S., M.S.
Chair
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Dr. Kolokythas earned her dental degree at the University of Thessaloniki in Greece, her U.S. dental degree, a master of science in Oral Science, and a certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and completed two Fellowships in Maxillofacial Oncology at the University of Maryland at Baltimore and the University of California at San Francisco.

She serves as editor for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinics of North America, and Pediatric Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. Her clinical and research interests focus on oral cancer, specifically early detection to significantly impact oral/head and neck cancer survival. In 2014 she was named one of the Top 25 Women in Dentistry in Dental Products Report.
Your gift will help us Provide State-of-the-art Oral Surgery Training and Care

100 years ago, George Eastman recognized the vital importance of good oral health for your overall health. Today, your philanthropy can help us continue to proudly carry on George Eastman’s legacy, continuing our significant impact around the world in research and clinical training, and by helping the underserved and people with special needs. Join us today to have an impact in Rochester, across the nation, and around the world.

ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS—$1,500,000 to $2,000,000

Endowed professorships are permanent funds that honor acclaimed leaders who perform groundbreaking research, mentor junior faculty, and attract and retain talented fellows, residents, and students. They are among the most coveted and defining rewards that a faculty member can receive, recognizing and fostering excellence. Professorships also serve as a powerful recruitment tool, drawing new faculty of established distinction from around the world.

ENDOWED FELLOWSHIPS—$750,000

Attracting the highest quality postgraduate trainees is essential to our mission. Top clinical fellows become the opinion leaders in oral surgery. Even though external funds may be available for some of these individuals, the enhanced support and prestige of a named fellowship is a tremendous incentive for postgraduates to pursue our training. A named fellowship also allows an overall expansion of the number of individuals we can afford to train. Your support will help us advance the quality and overall growth of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

ENDOWED TECHNOLOGY FUND—$500,000 to $1,000,000

The field of dentistry is constantly evolving and changing to best suit patients’ needs. Your support of an endowed technology fund will help us provide the latest technology to train our residents, and to provide comfortable care to the patients we serve.

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES—A range of opportunities are available

A variety of naming opportunities are available to help us provide the very best training environment for our residents and care environment for our patients. These range from naming surgical suites, operating rooms, and a recovery room to naming the patient waiting area and resident conference room.

RESIDENT EDUCATION FUNDS—$50,000 to $100,000

The Department of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery has produced academic and surgical leaders now serving as chairs, program directors and officers at various levels with the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. Our residents must have opportunities to travel in order to teach, to network among peers, and to present at scientific meetings; simply, to broaden one’s horizons. Finding funds to consistently support these opportunities is a challenge. Your support will allow oral surgery residents to travel to educational meetings and international electives, and to support other educational initiatives that could not be funded otherwise.

GEORGE EASTMAN CIRCLE—$10,000 to $50,000

Pledges to the George Eastman Circle of $10,000 to $50,000, payable for five years, provide crucial, flexible support for the Department of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery to further our state-of-the-art resident education and care for the people we serve.