## Eastman Institute for Oral Health



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Eastman Institute for Oral Health (EIOH) has earned its excellent reputation because of its unique international makeup, its commitment to exceptional training, first-rate clinical care, and research.

EIOH is also ranked in the top ten for National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) funding, and is continuing to gain international attention for breakthrough discoveries.





### **Excellence Without Exception**

We live in a very special time for the field of dentistry. Changes in healthcare provision, new technologies, and scientific advances will present many new opportunities for future dentists, specialists, faculty, and researchers. These changes place Eastman Institute for Oral Health (EIOH) at the University of Rochester Medical Center in a unique position to thrive like never before.

As a graduate, you know, firsthand, how our highly-competitive, world-renowned advanced education programs help our residents and post-doctoral students develop the leadership, clinical skills, technical knowledge and expertise which allow them to provide the best oral health care and be involved in academic careers. Each year, hundreds of people around the globe apply for a few open spots in one of our programs, including orthodontics, orofacial pain, oral and maxillofacial surgery, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, prosthodontics, advanced education in general dentistry, and hospital-based dentistry.

We work on a wide range of projects, including oral infectious diseases, salivary gland biology, craniofacial development, the effects of environmental agents on oral health, community-based disease prevention, mechanisms and innovative treatments for chronic orofacial pain conditions.

For close to one hundred years, EIOH has been a safety net provider for the community and has been recognized as a national leader in outreach dentistry through time-tested strategies like school-based programs using mobile vans, remote clinics, community health centers and hospitals.

With your support, we can provide innovative graduate oral health training—in state-of-the-art facilities with the latest equipment and diagnostic tools—to help people around the world.

### Your gift helps us provide innovative education, research, and care

Our goal is to provide exceptional graduate training and first-rate research and clinical care in oral health. Our unique international makeup helps us attain that goal. Your support can further our ability to attract and retain the best and brightest faculty, residents, and staff, and provide ground-breaking treatments to help dental patients around the world, and to continue providing care to patients with special needs. Here is a sampling of how you can help. Please join us.

#### NAMING OUR NEW STATE-OF-THE ART SPECIALTY CARE DENTAL CLINIC—Please Contact Us

In order to provide appropriate, specialized care for complex dental cases and patients who are medically compromised or have intellectual or developmental disabilities, we will create a new, multidisciplinary clinical space that will accommodate a variety of dental, physical, and behavioral needs. Currently, a majority of patients with special needs, chronic or facial pain, or those with oral conditions that are caused by or present alongside complex medical diagnoses, are unable to receive appropriate dental care. Hundreds of these patients each year receive care under general anesthesia in an operating room at great cost and potential risk – not because it is necessary but because it is the only option for the patients. Eastman Institute for Oral Health proposes building a dedicated space where special needs patients and those who would not be seen in our other clinics can receive care. As part of this commitment to serving underserved patient populations, our dental residents would receive hands-on training and exposure to caring for medically complex patients so that they will be more comfortable doing so when they complete their training and enter private practice.

#### ENDOWED NAMING OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE EASTMAN INSTITUTE FOR ORAL HEALTH—\$3,000,000

Supporting the salary, benefits, research space, special projects, programming, and areas of critical need honor acclaimed leaders who perform groundbreaking research, mentor junior faculty, and attract and train talented dental residents and researchers. Naming the Director position would link a donor's name with excellence in worldwide dental leadership in perpetuity.

### ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS AND TEACHING FELLOWSHIPS—\$750,000 to \$1,500,000 or more

Professorships recognize and foster excellence and are among the most coveted and defining rewards that a faculty member can receive. These enduring funds will allow us to honor acclaimed leaders who perform groundbreaking research; teach and mentor dental residents, Ph.D. candidates, and junior faculty; and provide quality care to patients. Your generosity allows us to recognize, retain, and recruit top leaders in academic dentistry and research. In addition, your support of teaching fellowships will ensure our practicing dentists and researchers are able to spend time educating future leaders in oral healthcare.

#### RESEARCH INNOVATION FUNDS-\$100,000 or more

Funding to support a laboratory or research project is vital to helping our dental residents, Ph.D. researchers, and faculty find better treatments and cures. You can support a young investigator, a new method for providing dental care, or a collaborative team working across disciplines and dental specialties on innovative discoveries and advances that will impact individuals around the world and in our community.

