Crawford-McKendall Joins Pediatric Dentistry

Rosalynn Crawford-McKendall, DDS, has been appointed assistant professor in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Crawford-McKendall, a native of Boligee, Alabama, graduated magna cum laude in 1994 from Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi, with a bachelor of science degree in biology. In 1998 she received her doctor of dental surgery degree from New York University (NYU) College of Dentistry. She received a general practice residency certificate two years later from Bronx Lebanon Hospital and completed certification in pediatric dentistry at NYU in 2005.

Prior to coming to LSUSD, she was a clinical assistant professor in the Pediatric Dentistry Department of NYU College of Dentistry. She has practiced dentistry for ten years, including private practice in New Jersey and public health dentistry in Maryland.

The announcement of Dr. Crawford-McKendall's appointment was made by Dr. Janice Townsend, interim chair of the department. “She has a unique combination of experiences that includes private practice, public health, and academic training,” said Townsend. “She’s even taught predoctoral students in a mobile dental van, which is challenging. I have enjoyed learning her perspective on motivating the dental students while watching her cover the clinic.”

Hienz Joins Periodontics

Stefan A. Hienz, DMD, PhD, has been appointed assistant professor in the Department of Periodontics.

A native of Munich, Germany, Dr. Hienz received his doctorate in microbiology from the Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, Sweden. In 1998, he received his doctor of dental medicine from the Harvard School of Dental Medicine. In 2001, he completed his residency in periodontics at the University of California at Los Angeles School of Dentistry.

While at Harvard, he received the Pierre Fauchard Academy award for outstanding academic achievement in dentistry. As a member of the faculty at Bernhard Gottlieb Dental Clinic/Medical University in Vienna, Austria, he was co-director of the postgraduate program in periodontics. He also performed “live” surgeries that were televised during national and international professional meetings.

Since 1995, Dr. Hienz has co-authored 11 articles that were published in scientific journals.

The announcement of Dr. Hienz’s appointment was made by Dr. Gerald Evans, interim chairman of the Department of Periodontics. "In addition to over nine years of clinical experience, Dr. Hienz has had excellent dental school and postgraduate training in the United States," Dr. Evans said. "His qualifications and experience will be valuable contributions to our department."

Dr. Hienz is fluent in German, English and Swedish. He is also a triathlete.