



# PENN DENTAL MEDICINE

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CLASS OF 2023

145<sup>TH</sup> COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

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# PENN DENTAL MEDICINE PROFESSIONAL PLEDGE

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As I enter the dental medicine profession, I vow to  
keep this pledge and these stipulations;



I understand that my primary responsibility is to my patients. To the best of my ability, I will embrace the highest standards of oral health care and treat all individuals under my care with respect and honesty; their total health and wellbeing shall be my primary concern;;



I accept the responsibility to maintain my competence through the continued pursuit of new knowledge and skills in the practice of dentistry. I will conduct myself with integrity, treat my colleagues with respect, and wherever possible work to advance the oral health of society;



I shall faithfully observe the Principles of Ethics and Codes of Professionalism encountered during my dental training and beyond;



All this I pledge with pride in Penn Dental Medicine's heritage and my commitment to the profession, and the public we serve.

# PROGRAM

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## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

**Uri Hangorsky, DDS, MS**  
*Associate Dean for Student Affairs*

## DEAN'S REMARKS

**Mark S. Wolff, DDS, PhD**  
*Morton Amsterdam Dean*

## GUEST SPEAKER

**David Kochman**  
*Vice President of Corporate Affairs, Deputy Chief of Staff for Henry Schein, Inc.*

## COMMISSIONING OF STUDENTS

**Captain Sean C. Meehan, DC, USN**  
*Dean of Naval Postgraduate Dental School*

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**Eric Michael Verdeyen, Class President**

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Taylor Kvilhaug  
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# Honors in Clinical Research

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# Honors in Community Oral Health

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# Honors in Endodontics

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# Honors in Oral Surgery

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# Honors in Orthodontics

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# Honors in Pediatrics

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# Honors in Periodontics

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# Honors in PROM

*(Personalized Care, Radiology, Oral Medicine)*

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# Honors in Vulnerable Populations

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# DOCTOR OF SCIENCE IN DENTISTRY

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# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ORAL BIOLOGY

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# MASTER OF ADVANCED DENTAL STUDIES

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