About Samuels Sinclair Dental Center:

Since opening its doors in 1931, Samuels Sinclair Dental Center has been committed to treating patients who would otherwise have difficulty obtaining dental care. The Center’s mission is to provide dental care for:

- Pediatric patients
- Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities
- Adults and children referred from Emergency Departments
- Adults and children referred from various clinics in the hospital community or seen on consultation as in-patients
- State group home residents
- Adults from the academic/hospital community

The following comprehensive dental services are provided: Preventive, Diagnostic, Restorative, Periodontic, Prosthodontic, Endodontic, Oral Surgery, Orthodontic and Emergency dental services. Samuels is located in a Health Provider Shortage Area (HPSA) and provides much needed treatment.

The Center’s academic mission is to provide a wide range of educational experience for residents and students to obtain general knowledge of oral problems and their systematic implications.

Samuels Sinclair Dental Center houses Rhode Island Hospital’s Division of Dentistry and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and is affiliated with the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. The Center is located on the Rhode Island Hospital campus in Providence, Rhode Island. The Rhode Island Hospital is a Level 1 Trauma Center with a capacity of approximately 720 beds.

The General Practice Residency Program in advanced dental education is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at (312) 440-4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. Please note, this education area is not one of the ADA recognized dental specialty areas. Therefore, dentists graduating from this program cannot announce that they are specialists, as recognized by the ADA.

- The General Practice residency is a one-year program. Two residents are accepted yearly.
- Applicants must be U.S. citizens and must have a D.M.D. or D.D.S. from an accredited U.S. or Canadian dental school.
- Residents will be house officers and will be allowed to use Brown University’s facilities such as access to Brown’s libraries and gymnasium.
- A Rhode Island state license is not required. The Rhode Island state license board issues intern permits/limited dental licenses.
- Interested applicants may apply through the PASS program (http://www.adea.org/pass). We are program number GPR530.
Residents who participate in the General Practice Residency Program will enhance their skills by completing a general rotation at the Samuels Sinclair Dental Center as well as the following:

- Didactic training sessions with full time attendings from the Samuels Sinclair Dental Center, Rhode Island Hospital, and the local dental community
- Rotations with Rhode Island Hospital’s Department of Anesthesiology, the Department of Emergency Medicine, and the Department of Internal Medicine
- Rotation with Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
- Patient Care Conference
- Continuing education courses through the Rhode Island Dental Association
- As well as other training opportunities

The one-year General Practice Residency Program will provide experiences in:

- Comprehensive, specialty, and emergency oral health care for both outpatients and inpatients.
- Dental management of medically compromised patients including the institutionalized elderly.
- Dental rehabilitation for children and adult patients with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities.
- Communicating with patients and their families in order to promote the highest level of care and increasing cultural competency.
- Dental and hospital admissions, history and physical examinations, and writing admission orders under the supervision of an attending.
- Interrelation of oral health and medical disorders as well as how to diagnose and manage these cases.
- A multi-disciplinary approach to dental care by interacting with different hospital departments.
- Knowing when, where, and how to obtain medical consults from other departments prior to dental management.
- Effective dental practice management and working with dental auxiliary personnel.
- Use of computerized dental practice management. Each operatory includes a laptop for computerized charting.
- Dentistry as performed in a larger hospital environment using state-of-art dental equipment.
- Management of patients under conscious sedation and general anesthesia.
- Use of behavior management and desensitization techniques for patients with special needs.
- Participation in community services and advocacy on the local and state levels (i.e. Senate Commission on Oral Health Care, Department of Health, Department of Human Services, Rhode Island Dental Association, community volunteer projects, Special Olympics Special Smiles Program, and Give Kids a Smile Day).

Benefits of the program include:

- A stipend of $55,606
- Three weeks vacation
- Paid holidays
- Health & dental insurance
- Paid malpractice insurance

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