UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION OF ORTHODONTISTS ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19

Once again, it is time to give a summary of some important activities and achievements associated with the University of Louisville's Orthodontic Program during the academic year of 2018-2019. It has been an exciting year for our department. Things are going very well in the Department of Orthodontics as well as for the University of Louisville, School of Dentistry.

Over the past year we have made some valuable addition to our clinical teaching staff. Dr. Nandakumar Janakiraman has joined the program as Assistant professor and became the Program Director from July 1 2019. He was previously at Georgia school of Orthodontics working as Research Director. His areas of interests are Surgery First Approach, integrating 3D technology in Orthodontics and Skeletal anchorage devices. He has over 25 publications in peer reviewed orthodontic journals.

Dr. Chandiramani has stepped down from Program director position after contributing to the program for the last 12 years. However she is contributing to the program immensely by teaching 3 days /week. Dr. Gudimella received prestigious Robert E Binder Teaching Fellowship award from American Association of Orthodontic Foundation for \$20000.

We are pleased to report that we graduated yet another group of extra-ordinary Orthodontic residents from our Specialty program in June 2019.

Dr. Carly Warden, Practice, Louisville, KY.

Dr. Krushan Patel, Practice, IL

Dr. Nicole Schiro, Practice, Denver, Co.

Dr. Caleb Reece, Practice, El Paso, Tx.

Dr. Carmen Allie Quirk, Practice, Cookeville, TN

Dr. Timothy Dixon, Army & TORP, San Antonio, Tx.

The Class of 2019 passed the ABO written exam with excellent scores and in addition to completing their research projects covering a wide array of topics in Orthodontics. The graduation for the Orthodontic Class of 2018 was a celebration of all accomplishments and successes of the Class of 2019 during their two years of training. Dr. Robert Spiller was the Keynote speaker and Guest of Honor. He spoke about his life experiences and his professional journey as an Orthodontist dedicated to his patients, the Orthodontic profession and to his community. We, at the ULSD, are grateful for his contribution to our program.

With the new leadership at the program, we have gone almost plaster free in the department, using the intra-oral scanners right from diagnosis to clear aligner fabrication. All this, would not had been possible without the significant contribution from the ULSD Orthodontic Alumni.

We want to thank ULSD Orthodontic Alumni for theirs contributions and continued support to Department of Orthodontics, University of Louisville. Your generous support helps us to be the best Orthodontic program and to educate outstanding board certified orthodontists.

Sincerely,

Nandakumar Janakiraman

Program Director, Department of Orthodontics.