Outstanding Educational Program Awardee

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Dr. Dillenberg is the inaugural Dean of the Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health. This is Arizona’s first dental school which incorporates innovative processes, strategies and curriculum becoming the nation’s first truly public health dental school.

Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health places special emphasis on patient care experiences through simulation, integration of biomedical and clinical sciences, and problem-solving scenarios to achieve clinical experience and includes a strong component of public health, leadership, and practice.

In addition to the issues of oral health and the skills of dentistry, students are encouraged to become caring, community-minded healthcare providers. Graduates are expected to be leaders in their communities and managers of public, not-for-profit, and private sector oral health organizations. The students on average, 700 hours of community service, an extraordinary number.

Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health is an educational model that relies on an exceptional cadre of motivated, experienced mentors who work one-on-one with students in both pre-clinical and clinical phases of the degree.