



Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics

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The Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics at Children's Hospital Los Angeles is a multispecialty academic dental practice providing routine and specialized dental and orthodontic care to more than 4,000 children and adolescents annually. Our team is composed of pediatric dentists, orthodontists and oral surgeons who also hold faculty positions at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC.

Providers



Jose Polido, DDS, MS

Chief, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics,
Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Associate Professor of Clinical Dentistry,
Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Pediatric dentistry



Alexander Alcaraz, DMD

Director of Education and Attending Physician,
Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics,
Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Assistant Professor of Clinical Dentistry,
Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Pediatric dentistry

The Orthodontics team provides a full range of orthodontic care for our patients, including those in need of specialized orthodontic support for orthognathic surgical repair. The program places a particular emphasis on children with cleft lip and palate and various other craniofacial anomalies, and our team works closely with CHLA's Craniofacial and Cleft Care Program as well as other cleft palate teams in the community.

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Providers (continued)



Simon Gamer, DDS

Co-Director, Nasoalveolar Molding Program, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics,
Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Assistant Professor of Clinical Dentistry, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Craniofacial prosthodontics



John Groper, DDS, MS

Co-Director, Nasoalveolar Molding Program, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics,
Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Clinical Professor of Dentistry, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Pediatric dentistry



David Kang, DDS

Attending Dentist, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics, Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Assistant Professor of Clinical Dentistry, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Pediatric dentistry



John Kishibay, DMD, PhD

Director, Interceptiv Orthodontics, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics,
Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Associate Professor of Clinical Dentistry, Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Orthodontics



John Morzov, DDS

Attending Dentist, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics,
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Specialty: General dentistry

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Kiyomi Yamazaki, DDS

Attending Dentist, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics, Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Assistant Professor of Clinical Dentistry,
Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Orthodontics



Stephen Yen, DMD, PhD

Director, Fellowship in Craniofacial and Special Needs Orthodontics, Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics, Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Associate Professor of Clinical Dentistry,
Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Specialty: Craniofacial orthodontics

Services Include:

- Pediatric dentistry
- General dentistry
- Craniofacial orthodontics
- Interceptive orthodontics
- Nasoalveolar molding (NAM)
- Oral surgery
- Periodontics

Highlights

- The Division of Dentistry and Orthodontics is the largest hospital-based dental practice in Los Angeles.
- Our team conducts more than 10,000 outpatient visits and treats more than 600 dental surgical cases annually.
- The Division currently has two NIH-funded research grants to study children with cleft lip and palate and autism.
- Since March 2018, the Division has partnered with AltaMed to increase access to pediatric dental care in the community. Through this partnership, CHLA dentists care for pediatric dental patients at the AltaMed Westlake clinic located at 2100 W. 3rd Street in Los Angeles.
- The Commission on Dental Accreditation granted full accreditation for the Clinical Fellowship Training Program in Craniofacial and Special Care Orthodontics at CHLA, making it one of the few programs of its kind in the U.S. to receive this recognition.

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