



Dr. Brian Sanders appointed Chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. John Williams, dean of the Indiana University School of Dentistry, is pleased to announce that Dr. Brian Sanders has been named chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. He most recently served as professor, director of Predoctoral Pediatric Dentistry, director of the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children Dental Clinic and director of the Postgraduate Pediatric Dentistry Training Program.

“Dr. Sanders is a highly regarded clinician and leader of the Pediatrics program at the IU School of Dentistry and of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry,” said Dr. John Williams, dean of the IU School of Dentistry. “He has been an exceptional teacher and mentor to pediatric residents for more than 30 years, and he will continue to build on the greatness of the IUSD Pediatric Dentistry programs at the post-graduate and pre-doctoral level.”

Dr. Sanders joined the IU Pediatric Dentistry faculty in 1990. He graduated from the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery at the University of Maryland and completed his pediatrics certificate at Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, where he was chief pediatric resident. He then received a master’s degree in pediatric dentistry at Ohio State University. He has also served as director of the dental department at the Kennedy Institute for Handicapped Children and as division head of pediatric dentistry and program director of post-graduate pediatric dentistry at Children’s Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

“Chairing the Department of Pediatric Dentistry has been a lifetime aspiration,” Dr. Sanders said. “I am proud to follow in the footsteps of the esteemed faculty at Indiana University who built a strong nationally and internationally recognized pediatric dentistry program.”

Dr. Sanders fills the position with the retirement of Dr. James Jones, who has served as Pediatric Dentistry Department chair since 2005. Dr. Jones will continue to teach and conduct research at the IU School of Dentistry and the IU School of Medicine.

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