

**MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY
DEPARTMENT OF ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY
GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY PROGRAM**

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

The educational philosophy of the General Practice Residency Program at Meharry Medical College, School of Dentistry is that every human being has a right to normal oral function and appearance. It is the responsibility of the members of the General Practice Residency Program as health professionals to provide modern, accessible and acceptable treatment of disease and defects within the limits of the General Practice Residency Program. Because of its educational identity, the residents acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to provide quality care in the treatment of oral disease and defects. The program strives to maintain the respect of patients, students, community and college by actively adhering to the philosophy, goals, objectives and directives of Meharry Medical College and the School of Dentistry. The program works toward the perfection of its technical precepts and practical arts in order to realize its philosophical goals.