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Beaufort Dentist Receives 2012 Mastership Award from the Academy of General Dentistry

CHICAGO (June 25, 2012)—The Academy of General Dentistry (AGD), a professional association of more than 37,000 general dentists dedicated to providing quality dental care and oral health education to the public, is pleased to announce that Stephen W. Durham, DMD, MAGD, of Beaufort, SC, received the association's 2012 Mastership Award during the AGD 2012 Annual Meeting & Exhibits, held June 21 to 24, in Philadelphia.

The Mastership Award is the highest honor available at the AGD and one of the most respected designations within the profession. To accomplish this goal, Dr. Durham completed 1,100 hours of continuing dental education.

As a recipient of the Mastership Award, Dr. Durham joins more than 2,300 active AGD Masters who understand that providing great smiles and good oral health for their patients are the result of going above and beyond basic requirements.

"We are proud to honor Dr. Durham for his commitment to continuing education in his quest to provide quality dental care and oral health education to his patients," says AGD President Jeffrey M. Cole, DDS, MBA, FAGD. "There are more than 169,000 general dentists in the United States and Canada and less than two percent of those are Masters with the AGD. It's a remarkable accomplishment for Dr. Durham."

Durham Dental (www.StephenDurhamDMD.com), located in the Beaufort Town Center at 2015 Boundary Street, Suite 104 in Beaufort, S.C., is involved with the most modern and effective forms of general and cosmetic dentistry. You can contact Stephen W. Durham, DMD, MAGD, to schedule your consultation by calling 843-379-5400, or by visiting his website.

Dr. Durham received his bachelor's degree from Clemson University and achieved his dream of becoming a dentist when he earned his dental degree from the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine.

About the Academy of General Dentistry

The Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) is a professional association of more than 37,000 general dentists dedicated to providing quality dental care and oral health education to the public. AGD members stay up-to-date in their profession through a commitment to continuing education. Founded in 1952, the AGD is the second largest dental association in the United States, and it is the only association that exclusively represents the needs and interests of general dentists. A general dentist is the primary care provider for patients of all ages and is responsible for the diagnosis, treatment, management, and overall coordination of services related to patients' oral health needs. For more information about the AGD, visit www.agd.org.