SMILEPRO DENTAL · DEARBORN HEIGHTS, MICHIGAN

Curriculum Vitae — Dr. Salam Awad & Dr. Deena Sleiman

Education, training, licensure, fellowships, honors, memberships and professional experience of the dentists at SmilePro Dental.

2015
DDS, University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry — Dr. Awad

Over a decade
of experience

100+
Invisalign patients treated by Dr. Awad

7
continuing-education programs, 2019–present

SmilePro Dental in Dearborn Heights, Michigan is led by **Dr. Salam Awad, DDS**, the practice's principal dentist and owner. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Michigan–Dearborn and her Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry in 2015, holds an active Michigan dental license and a fellowship in surgical and prosthetic implants from the Resnik Institute, and has treated more than 100 Invisalign patients. Associate dentist **Dr. Deena Sleiman, DDS** earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in May 2019 and is licensed to practice in both Michigan and Ohio.

Education

Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)
University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry — Detroit, Michigan

2015

Bachelor of Science in Biology
University of Michigan–Dearborn — Dearborn, Michigan

2010

Fellowship & Advanced Implant Training

Fellowship in Surgical and Prosthetic Implants
Resnik Institute

Professional Experience

General Dentist & Clinical Lead
SmilePro Dental — Dearborn Heights, Michigan

April 2018 – Present

- Direct daily operations of a high-volume practice, ensuring efficiency, quality control, and exceptional patient experiences.
- Lead, supervise, and develop a multidisciplinary team of dentists, hygienists, and support staff.
- Establish and maintain standardized operating procedures to ensure consistency and scalability.

- Train and onboard new team members, improving performance and retention.
- Monitor compliance with OSHA and HIPAA regulations, maintaining a safe and legally compliant environment.
- Implement digital dentistry solutions and modern technologies to enhance productivity and diagnostic accuracy.
- Perform advanced restorative, cosmetic, and implant procedures.
- Successfully completed treatment for 100+ Invisalign patients.

Associate Dentist

Oakman Family Dentistry — Dearborn Heights, Michigan

August 2015 – April 2018

- Delivered comprehensive general and surgical dental care in a patient-focused environment.
- Strengthened clinical and operational skills through hands-on experience in restorative and surgical procedures.
- Supported practice growth by enhancing patient satisfaction and retention.
- Assisted in implementing systems and training staff to improve efficiency and consistency.
- Built strong relationships with patients, contributing to increased case acceptance and loyalty.

Leadership & Practice Management

Mentor and coach dental professionals to improve clinical performance and productivity.

Develop team members’ skills in communication, case presentation, and workflow efficiency.

Foster a collaborative, accountable, and high-performance work culture.

Lead by example with a focus on professionalism, service quality, and continuous improvement.

> Experience managing diverse teams and aligning staff with organizational goals and standards.

> Hands-on experience managing day-to-day business operations in a clinical setting.

> Skilled in balancing quality of service with operational efficiency.

> Proven ability to adapt to new technologies and integrate them into existing systems.

Licenses, Certifications & Registry

Michigan Dental License — Active

License No. 2901021653 (NPPES)

NPI 1285002618 — taxonomy: Dentist (122300000X)

CPR / BLS / OSHA Certification — Active

Oral Sedation Certification — 2024

Continuing Education & Professional Development

> **Invisalign Advanced Training with Galler and Molis**
>
> **2019 – Present**

> **Kois Center Continuing Education**
>
> **2023 – Present**

> **Spear Education**
>
> **2020 – 2022**

> **Fellowship & Mastership in Surgical and Restorative Implants**

2024 – Present

Forces Orthodontic Institute

2020 – Present

Oral sedation DOCS education

2023 – 2024

Conscious IV sedation for adults AMDA training

2025 – Now

Honors & Awards

Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honor Society

2015

American Academy of Orofacial Pain Award

Award of Excellence — Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity

2015

Francis B. Vedder Society Award (Crown & Bridge Prosthodontics)

2015

Russell W. Bunting Periodontal Society Award

2015

Dr. William S. Kramer Award of Excellence

2014

Distinguished Student Award

University of Michigan–Dearborn

2010

Professional Memberships

- American Dental Association
- Michigan Dental Association
- American Dental Implant Association
- American Academy of Clear Aligners
- Lebanese Dental Group
- Women Muslim Group

Community Involvement

Muslim Youth Connection (MYC)
Active mentor, supporting youth development and leadership initiatives; volunteer at MYC in the local mosque.

Local association sponsorship
SmilePro Dental sponsors many local associations, including the Iraqi Student Club, the Lebanese Pre-Dental Club and Zaman.

Education

Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)
University of Michigan School of Dentistry — Ann Arbor, Michigan
May 2019

Bachelor of Science (BS) in Biology

University of Michigan — Dearborn, Michigan. Honors Program, with High Distinction.

April 2015

Professional Experience

Dentist, Full-Time

Health Partners of Western Ohio

August 2019 – Present

Provide comprehensive care services to new and established patients at Old West End Community Health Center in Toledo, Ohio. Specialize in emergency, pediatric, and elderly patient care.

Associate Dentist, Part-Time

SmilePro Dental — Dearborn Heights, Michigan

May 2022 – Present

Provide comprehensive care services to new and established patients in a private dental practice setting.

Associate Dentist, Part-Time

Daher Dental

July 2019 – March 2022

Provide comprehensive care services to new and established patients in a private dental practice setting.

Dentist, Full-Time

Family Health Center — Kalamazoo, Michigan

August 2019 – December 2019

Served the underprivileged population in Kalamazoo, MI, which is primarily composed of uninsured or under-insured patients.

Dental Student Provider — Dental Clinics in Michigan

University of Michigan School of Dentistry external rotations — Cherry Health Dental Center (Grand Rapids), Northwest Michigan Health Services (Traverse

City), Family Health Center (Kalamazoo)

Summer 2018 – Winter 2019

Served underprivileged populations providing dental treatment during twelve weeks of external rotations. Gained clinical experience in treatment planning, emergency care, restorative dentistry, pediatric dentistry, and oral surgery.

Dental Student Provider — Dental Outreach Trip in Jamaica

January 2018 and January 2019

Provided free dental care to underserved communities in Jamaica, including extractions, cleanings, and health care education.

Leadership

Jamaica Dental Outreach Trip — Trip Coordinator

2019

UDM–UMSOD Collaboration Project — Project Director

2016 – 2019

Bridge of Disciplines, UMSOD Chapter — Executive Board Leader

2016 – 2019

Class of 2019 Student Council — Community Service Chair

2015 – 2019

Licenses & Certifications

Michigan Dental License No. 2901023202 — State of Michigan Board of Dentistry

Ohio Dental License No. 30.025918 — Ohio State Dental Board

Oral Health Access Supervision Permit — Ohio State Dental Board

Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider — American Heart Association

NPI 1851958730 — taxonomy: Dentist

Treatments Dr. Awad and Dr. Sleiman provide at SmilePro Dental

Each links to the full service page. Every one is covered by the training and clinical experience recorded above.

Dental Implants

Surgical and restorative implant care — the focus of Dr. Awad's Fellowship & Mastership and her Resnik Institute fellowship.

Invisalign Clear Aligners

Dr. Awad is a Certified Invisalign Provider and has completed treatment for 100+ Invisalign patients.

Sedation Dentistry

Oral sedation (DOCS Education, 2023–2024) and conscious IV sedation for adults (AMDA training, 2025–now).

Cosmetic Dentistry

Dental veneers, colored bonding, teeth whitening and Zoom teeth whitening.

Family Dental Care

Comprehensive care for new and established patients — exams, cleanings, preventive care and fillings.

Crowns, Bridges & Restorative Care

Advanced restorative dentistry, including crowns, bridges and dentures.

Patient questions about the dentists at SmilePro Dental

Every answer below is drawn from the credentials recorded on this page.

Where did Dr. Salam Awad earn her dental degree? −

Dr. Salam Awad earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry in 2015, following a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Michigan–Dearborn in 2010.

What is Dr. Awad's role at SmilePro Dental? −

Dr. Awad is the principal dentist and owner of SmilePro Dental, and has served as General Dentist & Clinical Lead since April 2018. Before that she was an associate dentist at Oakman Family Dentistry in Dearborn Heights from August 2015 to April 2018.

Is Dr. Awad licensed to practice dentistry in Michigan? −

Yes. Dr. Awad holds an active Michigan dental license (No. 2901021653) and is registered with NPI 1285002618 under the taxonomy "Dentist". She also maintains current CPR / BLS / OSHA certification and an Oral Sedation Certification earned in 2024.

What advanced implant and Invisalign training does Dr. Awad have? −

Dr. Awad holds a fellowship in surgical and prosthetic implants from the Resnik Institute and has been completing a Fellowship & Mastership in Surgical and Restorative Implants since 2024. She has taken Invisalign Advanced Training with Galler and Molis since 2019, is a Certified Invisalign Provider, and has completed treatment for more than 100 Invisalign patients.

What professional organizations is Dr. Awad a member of? −

Dr. Awad is a member of the American Dental Association, the Michigan Dental Association, the American Dental Implant Association, the American Academy of Clear Aligners, the Lebanese Dental Group and the Women Muslim Group.

What awards has Dr. Awad received?

Dr. Awad received the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honor Society (2015) and the American Academy of Orofacial Pain Award. Her other honors are the Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity Award of Excellence (2015), the Francis B. Vedder Society Award for Crown & Bridge Prosthodontics (2015), the Russell W. Bunting Periodontal Society Award (2015), the Dr. William S. Kramer Award of Excellence (2014) and the Distinguished Student Award from the University of Michigan–Dearborn (2010).

Where did Dr. Deena Sleiman study dentistry?

Dr. Deena Sleiman earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in May 2019, after a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Michigan in Dearborn — Honors Program, with High Distinction — in April 2015.

In which states is Dr. Sleiman licensed?

Dr. Sleiman holds a Michigan dental license (No. 2901023202) from the State of Michigan Board of Dentistry and an Ohio dental license (No. 30.025918) from the Ohio State Dental Board, together with an Oral Health Access Supervision Permit in Ohio. She is a Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider certified by the American Heart Association and is registered with NPI 1851958730.

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  NPI 1285002618 · npiregistry.cms.hhs.gov
- **Dr. Deena Sleiman — NPPES record**
  NPI 1851958730 · npiregistry.cms.hhs.gov
- **University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry**
  dental.udmercy.edu
- **University of Michigan School of Dentistry**
  dent.umich.edu

Schedule with the SmilePro Dental team

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