DELAWARE HEALTHCARE PROFILES

Respected Dentist Goes Above and Beyond to Create **Great Smiles,** Healthy Mouths

MASTER-LEVEL COSMETIC AND IMPLANT SPECIALIST CREATES AN ENVIRONMENT OF COMFORT WITH CARE, TENDERNESS, AND HUMOR.

The Delaware Star Dental Team



I knew in the eighth grade that I wanted to be a dentist, and to this day I can't believe I get paid to live this dream," says Sattar Syed, DMD, MAGD.

Dr. Syed's enthusiasm and sincerity are distinguishing features for his practice, Delaware Star Dental, a high-end, top-quality, one-stop dental practice conveniently located in Wilmington. The practice focuses on cosmetic procedures like veneers, tooth whitening, and smile shaping; implant dentistry and dentures; and more traditional procedures including root canals and fillings.

Dr. Syed is also a recipient of the Academy of General Dentistry's Mastership Award—the highest honor bestowed by the group. Less than 3 percent of dentists ever reach such a level of competence, and to qualify for the distinction, Dr. Syed had to first attain the Fellowship distinction and then complete more than 1,100 hours of additional continuing dental education, including 400 hours dedicated to hands-on skills and techniques. With the honor, he joins an elite membership of dentists who understand that great smiles and good oral health result from going above and beyond basic requirements.

• THE DELAWARE STAR DENTAL DIFFERENCE

At the top of his game, Dr. Syed is attentive and personable; he and his team have a well-earned reputation for being professional, fun, and caring.

"Everyone knows someone who suffers real anxiety or is fearful of going to the dentist. My team and I understand that and we have many techniques we employ to manage that anxiety and fear," Dr. Syed says. "We genuinely care about our patients and are skilled at handling their emotional needs through communication, gentle touch, comfort, and sedation." He and his team take their time with each patient, customize all services to the patient's specific wants and needs, and work together to ensure each walks out the door with a healthy, natural-looking smile.

"We are open and welcoming, and we know our patients, their preferences, and their histories. We offer more of a sense of familiarity and warmth than the typical practice, and of course our good looks, sophisticated wit, and excessive charm are a bonus for our patients," he says playfully.

Dr. Syed emphasizes the holistic approach of Delaware Star Dental he works with a patient's other healthcare providers as necessary and especially in the case of diabetic patients or those with immune disorders—as matters requiring further medical attention frequently become apparent during dental treatment. "We do whatever we can to ensure every patient's oral and overall health and that they are satisfied with the aesthetics of their smile," he confirms.

The practice is also lucky to have access to a number of game-changing innovations that make dental care easier and less stressful for patients, such as an in-office CBVT—essentially a mini CT scanner—for use in dental implant and graft work. The device provides high-quality digital images of the upper and lower jaw and aids in the proper placement of implants.

"While these and other technologies—like our electronic shade selection guide and advanced sterilization system—are all great assets, the greatest asset my practice has is the wonderful staff I work with," says Dr. Syed. "I encourage anyone in need of dental care to come visit us, and I promise we'll change minds about what a visit to the dentist can be."



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