

Dr. Katherine Klein “Ten Under 10” Award Recipient

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Katherine (Katie) P. Klein, DMD, MS was recently honored by the Massachusetts Dental Society as a recipient of the “Ten Under 10” award. The award is given once a year to 10 dentists in the state of Massachusetts who have graduated from dental school within the past 10 years and made significant contributions to the profession, their community, and organized dentistry. Nominated by her colleagues, this award was presented at the 2014 Yankee Dental Congress in Boston. Dr. Katie Klein, a graduate of the University Of Pennsylvania School Of Dental Medicine in 2005 and the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill Orthodontic Residency in 2011, was selected by the nominating committee for her outstanding clinical skills, academic and teaching contributions, and professional volunteer work.

Dr. Klein is a board-certified specialist in orthodontics and a faculty member in the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department at the Harvard Dental School, Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). Dr. Klein is the co-director of the Orthognathic Surgical Team at MGH and a member of the Cleft Lip and Palate Team both at MGH and Shriners Hospital for Children in Boston – an aspect of her job that Dr. Klein finds particularly gratifying.

As the orthodontist in a multi-specialty group dental practice at MGH, Dr. Klein cares for children, teenagers and adults with a wide range of orthodontic needs. A significant aspect of Katie’s practice is devoted to the treatment of surgical-orthodontic patients, particularly those needing correction for a severe skeletal malocclusion, cleft lip and palate, and sleep apnea. Relishing the opportunity to improve the lives of her patients, Dr. Klein exudes an enthusiasm and commitment to excellence in patient care that was noted in all of her award recommendations.

Outside of the office, Katie dedicates her time to volunteering with the Northeastern Society of Orthodontists (NESO) and appreciates how that involvement has afforded her the opportunity to meet and connect with a fantastic group of local orthodontists. She was recently appointed as the Chair of the New and Younger Members Committee for the 2015 NESO Annual Meeting in Providence, and the Scientific Chair for the 2016 NESO Annual Meeting in New York. Recognizing the need for more volunteers, Dr. Klein encourages other orthodontists to become further involved in NESO, “I believe it’s critical that as orthodontists, we collaboratively work together for the betterment of our field,” says Dr. Klein. “Besides, it is a fun way to give back to the profession that I love!” •
