

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF FIXED PROSTHODONTICS Presidential Biography



RICHARD R. CAVANAUGH, DDS

PRESIDENT, AAFP 2001-2002

Dr. Richard Cavanaugh was born June 7, 1942 in Philadelphia, PA. He completed his undergraduate education at La Salle University in 1963. He then received his DDS from Temple University School of Dentistry in 1967. Richard was inducted into the US Naval Reserve where he practiced dentistry for 7 years on weekends.

Simultaneously, he practiced general dentistry in Doylestown, PA until 1979 when he accepted a part-time teaching appointment in the Department of Form and Function at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry. He was accepted into the Advanced Prosthodontics Program at Temple University under the tutelage of Dr. Ernest Mingledorf (President AAFP, 1985) and completed his requirement in 1984. Dr. Richard Cavanaugh reopened his dental practice and continued his practice limited to prosthodontics. He also taught part-time in Crown and Bridge at Temple for another 5 years.

Dr. Cavanaugh was elected to membership in the Academy in 1987 and served on the Exhibits Committee, Finance and Budget Committee, Board of Directors, and as Parliamentarian. He was elevated into the Presidency of the AAFP in 2002. He is also a member of the American and International College of Prosthodontists, Academy of Osseointegration and the American Dental Association.

He has also lectured to state, local, and regional dental associations and is a consultant to several dental companies and on the Board of Directors of a life insurance company.