

Smart, Talented, Capable — Sure to Be an Asset Wherever He Goes.

Dr. Steven Zambrano — Oral Surgeon · Faculty, UTHSC & Meharry
Tennessee Board of Dentistry Member (2021–Present)

PROFILE

Board-certified pediatric dentist, \$1M+ practice founder, and launching clinician for Blue Cloud's first Tennessee surgery center — a national key opinion leader, continuing-education speaker, and active civic and conservation leader in Nashville.

EDUCATION

Residency — Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry
New York University · Nashville, TN · 2017–19

- PGY-1 & PGY-2 hospital-based training in sedation, general anesthesia, and care for medically complex and special-needs children
- Program graduates pass the ABPD written boards above the national average (94% vs. 90%)

Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)

Meharry Medical College, School of Dentistry · Nashville, TN · 2016

- Licensed Tennessee Dentist (SRTA)
- Board Certified by the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry
- Sedation permit · DEA registered

Bachelor of Science

Middle Tennessee State University · Murfreesboro, TN · 2009–11

- Academic Lottery Scholarship recipient

Undergraduate Studies

Morehouse College · Atlanta, GA · 2006–09

- Morehouse Academic Scholarship
- Honor & Conduct Review Board
- Office of Health Professions work-study

Exchange Scholar

Stanford University · Palo Alto, CA · 2007–08

- Writer, *The Stanford Daily*
- Varsity Rugby starter

LEADERSHIP

Nashville Zoo Board of Directors

Conservation Committee · Nashville, TN · Present

- Serve on a committee of the Board, helping guide the Zoo's conservation strategy and priorities
- National leader in clouded leopard conservation — home to its 50th cub bred since 1991
- Draws 1.4M+ visitors a year; home to the largest Komodo dragon exhibit in the U.S.

Board Member

National Organization for Workforce Diversity · Nashville, TN · 2013–16

- 501(c)(3) advancing workforce-diversity leadership and training

Vice President & Fundraising Chair

Meharry Class of 2016 · Nashville, TN · 2014–16

- Led the community fundraising drive that eliminated class dues
- Authored the *Clinic High Yield Pocket Guidebook*
- Emcee, MMC 2015 Diversity Day

Vice President & Community Chair

Meharry Orthodontic Study Club · Nashville, TN · 2014–16

Technology & Information Chair

Meharry Class of 2016 · Nashville, TN · 2012–14

- Managed class email, Dropbox, e-books, and digital directory

HONORS & AWARDS

- Colgate-Palmolive / NDAF Scholar
- Delta Dental of Tennessee Scholar
- UCLA-Extension Executive Leadership Certificate, Workforce Diversity
- Meharry 2016 Outstanding Community Service Award
- Tennessee Youth Achievement Award
- Alpha Phi Alpha (Tau Lambda) Academic Scholarship
- Meharry Pre-Bac Program — Highest Academic Award
- Yale University SMDEP Award
- Georgia Student Leadership Forum

ORGANIZATIONS

- American Board of Pediatric Dentistry
- American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
- American Association of Orthodontists
- American Association of Public Health Dentistry
- National Dental Association
- American Dental Association
- Bethel World Outreach Church



Founder & Pediatric Dentist All Star Pediatric Dentistry

Nashville, TN · 2023–Present

1,500+

NEW PATIENTS ·
2025

\$1M+

REVENUE · 2025

400+

5-STAR REVIEWS

- Built a brand-new 2,500 sf practice to 3,000+ patients and 10 staff
- In-office general anesthesia, oral sedation, white crowns, laser frenectomies, and comprehensive care

Founding Pediatric Dentist — Blue Cloud Nashville Surgery Center

Blue Cloud Pediatric Surgery Centers · Aug 2024–Present

- Launched Blue Cloud's first Tennessee surgery center (Nashville) — first dentist hired and first to perform clinical work at the location
- Blue Cloud is the nation's largest operator of pediatric dental surgery centers — 32 surgery centers across 12 states, serving 60,000+ patients annually
- Treat referred patients under general anesthesia in a fast-paced surgical setting — record of zero adverse outcomes

Pediatric Dentist — Zoo Crew

Lebanon, TN · March 2020–Present

- Currently PRN (as-needed) coverage; previously sole pediatric dentist across 4 locations, 5 days a week
- Launched a new location, building its patient base and earning hundreds of 5-star reviews
- Treated patients under GA monthly and oral sedation daily

Pediatric Dentist — Associated Children's Dentistry

Nashville, TN · 2019–20

- Treated patients in-office and under general anesthesia 1–2 days a week

Pediatric Dentist — Complete Dental Care

Jackson, TN · July 2019–20

- Sole pediatric dentist in a multi-specialty group across 3 locations, 5 days a week
- Treated patients under GA weekly and oral sedation daily

Clinical Rotations

- Lee Specialty Clinic, Univ. of Louisville, KY (2019) — hospital-based special-needs care (ASA II & III)
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN (2018) — oncology/hematology, in- & out-patient
- Rady Children's Hospital, San Diego, CA (2018) — trauma with significant special-needs experience

Earlier Roles

- Associate Dentist, Aspen Dental — Dickson, TN (2017)
- Extern, Perfect Smiles Orthodontics — Nashville, TN (2015–16), under Dr. Kevin Robinson
- Medical Device Representative, Affymetrix — Nashville, TN (2011–12)
- Medical Mission, Intl. Leadership Development Institute — Sierra Leone & Senegal (2010–12)
- Interns: UTHSC TIP Program (2011, top DAT score) & Yale SMDEP (2007)

KEY OPINION LEADERSHIP & CONSULTING

Key Opinion Leader & Clinical Consultant — Kinder Krown

2023–Present

- Instruct pediatric residents on Kinder Krown dental materials in an academic clinical setting
- Represent Kinder Krown at AAPD continuing-education events and conferences nationwide, independently running the exhibit booth

Key Opinion Leader — Fireside Pediatric Dental Community

Group Purchasing Organization (GPO) · 2026–Present

- Lead compensated, Fireside-sponsored continuing-education courses
- Presented “AI in Pediatric Dentistry” (April 2026)

RESEARCH

Association of Maternal Sucrose-Stimulated Salivary pH with Childhood Caries

AAPD · Chicago, IL · 2019

- Maternal salivary pH and caries diagnosis in children ages 0–5 from low-SES backgrounds

Effects of Diabetes on Salivary Gland Protein Expression of Tetrahydrobiopterin & Nitric Oxide

Student Researcher, EDEA / TheraBreath · Memphis, TN · 2014–16

- Published in *The Journal of Diabetes Research* (2016)

Diabetic Xerostomia: The Role of Nitric Oxide

Meharry Research Day · Nashville, TN · 2015

Role of Psychiatry in Orthodontics

Meharry Dept. of Psychiatry · 2013–15 · Mentor: Dr. Rahn Bailey, MD, DFAPA

- Literature review on psychiatric disorders encountered in orthodontic practice

Gene Expression of P16 in HPV & Oropharyngeal Cancer

Table Clinics, Meharry School of Dentistry · 2014

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Volunteer free dental care — Interfaith Dental Clinic
- Volunteer free dental care — CoCo Pediatric Dentistry
- Community dental screenings & health fairs — 5+ events/year since 2012
- Habitat for Humanity
- YMCA Youth Basketball Coach, ages 4–6
- Class of 2016 Dental Care for the Underserved Fund
- Southern Regional Testing Agency volunteer
- Oral Cancer Walk fundraiser
- Stanford United for Rape Elimination
- Stanford Foundations for Education math tutor