

Local Dentist Joins Esteemed Group

The Academy of General Dentistry is proud to announce that Dr. Edward Earl Ward of Portland has received the prestigious Master-ship award.

In order to earn this honor, Ward completed 1,100 hours of continuing dental education in the 16 disciplines of dentistry, including 400 hours dedicated to "hands-on" skills and techniques. These accomplishments meet the highest criteria for professional excellence.

Ward joins an esteemed group of more than 1,700 of the most dedicated practitioners in general dentistry who have received Master-ship honors to date.

Ward graduated from Oregon Health Science University Dental School in 1977 and currently practices dentistry in Portland. In addition to the AGD, he is a member of the American Dental Association, National Dental Association and American Academy of Cosmetic



Dr. Edward Earl Ward

Dentistry.

Ward is married to Barbara and has two children, Edward and Kelli.

The AGD is a non-profit organization of more than 37,000 general dentists dedicated to staying up-to-date in the profession through continuing education. The commitment to lifelong learning keeps dentists informed about the latest research, technologies and products in dentistry.

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Registered nurse Angelah Hill doesn't claim that adult foster care is something new, but she says her clients receive something different: individualized care that keeps the special needs of diverse cultures in mind.

Adult foster care helps clients with daily living challenges such as hygiene, laundry, medication administration, transportation assistance and meals.

At the Addie Mae McFarland Adult Foster Home, in southeast Portland, seniors and those with varying disabilities are cared for in a home-setting, with cable television, phones and three tasty meals everyday. Hill's facility also has the benefit of a registered nurse on duty, 24-hours a day.

"One of the things happening in the African-American community

is they are being displaced outside the African-American community, to places that don't have the cultural awareness to meet their needs," said Hill.

The facility addresses dietary, social, spiritual and cultural needs of its clients—which common care facilities often overlook.

Hill, formerly a nurse with Oregon Health and Sciences University for 10 years, opened the care facility three years ago.

Although the facility specializes in caring for people of color, Hills says that people of all races and backgrounds are welcome to receive top-level individualized care.

Hill says she currently has vacancies and her services are often covered by insurance and Medicaid. She specializes in assistance for the blind. For more information, call 503-761-2366.

Hill is also a distributor for Mannatech, a multi-level marketing company providing natural nutritional supplements to ease suffering of a variety of ailments including vision problems, asthma, AIDS, multiple sclerosis and asthma. For more information about Mannatech, call 888-346-4636.



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Angelah Hill, a registered nurse, cares for seniors and people with disabilities in her home. Her culturally-sensitive approach sets her apart from other adult foster care facilities.

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