

Dr. Ka-Ron Y. Wade

Building Long-Lasting
Relationships One Smile
at a Time!

By Denise R. Williams



Ka-Ron Wade, D.D.S., began 2010 as a guest on the KHOU television program, Great Day Houston, hosted by Debra Duncan, sharing how to get a better smile in the New Year. The conversation ranged from inlays, crowns, veneers and partials to snap-on smiles. In a career as a cosmetic dentist that spans over a decade, consulting on the relative merits and costs of various forms of cosmetic dentistry is a typical day in the life of Dr. Wade. "I always wanted to be a dentist," she says. Her path to private practice, however, was a little unconventional. After receiving a bachelor's degree in biology from Wiley College, Dr. Wade went on to Texas Woman's University and earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. "I enjoyed the practice, of nursing," she says of her tenure as a registered nurse, "but my passion was dentistry." Deciding to follow her dream in 1995, she received her Doctorate of Dental Surgery from the University of Texas.

Perhaps because of her background in nursing, Dr. Wade brings an enhanced holistic approach to her dental practice. She with an emphasis on educating patients on treatment options and oral health issues. It is this type of thoroughness and overriding concern for patient care that, even in challenging economic times, keeps her practice growing. Dr. Wade attended the prestigious Las Vegas Institute for Advanced Dental Studies (LVI). The LVI curriculum includes restorative, occlusal, ortho, implant and endodontic training-courses that revolutionize the quality of treatment offered to patients. She is also a member of the Academy of General Dentistry, the American Orthodontic Society, the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry and the American Association of Women Dentists.

‘I’m always open to learning about the latest technologies and treatment plans,’ says Dr. Wade. The Simplicity System by Lancer Orthodontics is an example of an advanced technology she has introduced into her practice with great success. The synergy of Lancer Orthodontics’ advanced technology, combined with the experience of Thomas Hughes, D.D.S., has created one of the most innovative is very in tune to the state of her patient’s total health. “There is a strong correlation between periodontal disease and so many serious conditions, ranging from stroke, diabetes, heart disease - even bacterial pneumonia,” she says. On several occasions, Dr. Wade has suggested patients see their family physicians, resulting in a diagnosis of diabetes that had previously gone undetected.

The No.1 goal of her practice is delivery of highquality dental care in a friendly environment, orthodontic solutions available to the market.



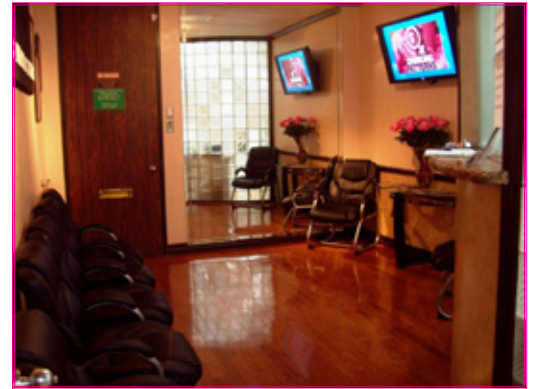
Dr. Wade was part of the first training class for the Simplicity System at Lancer Orthodontics’ headquarters in Vista, CA. The length of time her patients have to stay in braces has been cut by almost half. “My patients are ecstatic,” she says. “After the first month’s visit, they can see tooth movement. Treatments that would have taken two years now take one.”

The Simplicity System is effective for about 90% of all cases, even in the most difficult, crowded or narrow arch. Dr. Wade has

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Dr. Wade, who has already utilized the Simplicity System with almost two dozen patients.

Dr. Wade is a Major in the U. S. Army Reserve. Prior to starting her private practice, as an officer and dentist, she gained a wide variety of hands-on dental experience serving in the U. S. Army Dental Corps. As an active duty reservist, she continues to work with military families and treats soldiers before being deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan.



She is also founder of the Houston Medi-Dent Mobile Health Corporation, a nonprofit organization providing free dental services to those in socioeconomically underserved communities. Dr. Wade's dedication to the practice of dentistry and achievement in the -' Houston area has not gone unnoticed. Dr. Wade was a 2009 Houston Citizens Chamber of Commerce Pinnacle Award winner and recipient of a 2009 Minority Achievement Award from the YMCA for her demonstration of outstanding leadership and contribution to the life and development of minority citizens in the Houston area.

She was recognized by the 2002 edition of the Kingston National Registry of Who's Who. She is also a member of the Cambridge Who's Who, the Houston Area Urban League and the African American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Houston. Her commitment to helping Houston's less fortunate has been recognized by the Houston Area Urban League, St. Mary Purification Catholic Church, the City of Houston District I Mayor Pro Tem Carol Alvarado, the Positive Black Male Association of Houston and others. Exceptional clinical skills, a commitment to ongoing education and training, use of state-of-the-art technology and a chair-side manner that is warm and nonintimidating make Dr. Wade a favorite among patients and referring dentists.



Located at 2101 Crawford, Suite 103, Houston, TX, 77002, Dr. Wade's practice is open Monday through Saturday, with early morning, evening, weekend and same-day appointments available. For more information, visit www.kwadedds.com or call (713) 654-7756 .
