Delaware Institute for Dental Education and Research (DIDER)

DIDER Partnership with Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry at Temple University

In 2005, the DIDER Board identified access to dental school as a key priority in achieving its mission, and began reviewing options for providing opportunities for Delawareans to attend dental school. Using the model developed by the Delaware Institute for Medical Education and Research (DIMER), the Board conducted discussions with several dental schools in the region and Temple University emerged as the ideal partner.

Each year DIDER signs an agreement with the Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry at Temple University which guarantees admission to five qualified students from Delaware in each entering class of dental students. This relationship provides Delaware residents with an opportunity to receive quality education and training at a highly regarded regional dental school. The partnership also promotes opportunities for participating dental students to complete externship and residency training programs at facilities in Delaware.

Delaware residents are eligible to participate regardless of the location of their undergraduate educational institution. Students must meet Temple University's academic requirements and this program does not guarantee admittance. All Delawareans who are accepted and choose to attend Temple will be automatically admitted to the DIDER program; they are not required to fill out any additional applications.