The American Board of Orthodontics presents the 2019 O.B. Vaughan Special Recognition Award to Dr. H. Garland Hershey, Jr.

The American Board of Orthodontics (ABO) awarded H. Garland Hershey, Jr., D.D.S., M.S., of Chapel Hill, N.C., the O.B. Vaughan Special Recognition Award on Saturday, May 4 at the annual luncheon of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics, which was held in conjunction with the 2019 Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) in Los Angeles, Calif.

The O.B. Vaughan Special Recognition Award recognizes an individual who has significantly contributed to orthodontic education and furthered the ideals of the American Board of Orthodontics (ABO). The award is named in honor of Dr. O.B. Vaughan, an ABO past president.

Dr. Hershey has had a long and distinguished career as a professor of orthodontics and an administrator for the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He earned his dental degree in 1965 from the University of Iowa and his master of science in orthodontics in 1971. Between dental school and orthodontic training, he served as a captain in the U.S. Army in Aschaffenburg, Germany. He held several teaching and research positions at the University of Iowa before joining the University of North Carolina in 1971 as an assistant professor in the Department of Orthodontics.

His first administrative position came in 1975 when he was appointed associate dean for academic affairs and director of graduate education for the UNC School of Dentistry. In 1983, he was named vice chancellor for health affairs for the university, responsible for operations of the academic health center including the schools of dentistry, medicine, nursing, pharmacy and public health. He continued in this position through 1997, then was a consultant to the chancellor on health affairs from 1997-2008.

Today Dr. Hershey is professor of orthodontics in the School of Dentistry, professor of health policy and management in the School of Public Health, and vice chancellor emeritus. Since his return to the School of Dentistry, he has received numerous teaching awards from the Department of Orthodontics and the School of Dentistry.

He was recognized as the University of Iowa dental alumnus of the year in 2000, and he received the university’s Distinguished Alumni Hickerson Recognition Award in 2010.
Dr. Hershey was first certified by the ABO in 1981 and serves as an examiner. The ABO presented him with the Dale B. Wade Award of Excellence in Orthodontics in 2011.

He is a fellow of the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists, the World Federation of Orthodontists and the Academy of Dentistry International. Dr. Hershey has received the Arthur R. Weurhmann Prize from the Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology. The Southern Association of Orthodontists named him Pioneer of the Specialty in 2009.

He currently serves on the editorial review board of the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics* and the editorial boards of the American Dental Association (ADA) Continuing Education Online and *The Angle Orthodontist*. He is the orthodontic commissioner and serves as the orthodontic consultant for CODA, the Commission on Dental Accreditation. He also is a member of the National Commission on Accreditation for the American Psychological Association. He serves on numerous national boards, commissions and committees in health care and higher education.

On receiving the award, Dr. Hershey said, “O.B. Vaughan was a role model for many of us in the ABO family, so this award carries a very positive, special, and personal meaning for me. Like the ABO itself, Dr. Vaughan was committed to elevate the quality of orthodontic care for the public and lived his life to do just that.”