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When you talk to Dr. Hoang Drouin, you quickly understand the profound gratitude and humility he has for his work. He is uncomfortable discussing achievements, which include the Mastership Award from the Academy of General Dentistry—which is granted for completing 1,100 hours of continuing education and is the AGD's highest honor. He would rather gush about the relationships close to his heart: his family and his "extended family" of patients he has cared for long enough to watch grow up and have their own children.

"I'm so fortunate to experience such rich relationships," says Dr. Drouin. "Being at work is a time of connection, like having coffee with friends."

The dentist, when asked about his state-of-theart facilities and being voted a Top Dentist by his peers year after year in *Charlotte* magazine, would rather talk about his loyal team members, who are known for their soft hearts, positive attitudes, and gentle touch. They can't resist calling patients just to "check up" after a procedure and sometimes show up with flowers and homemade soup.

"It's a beautiful thing to watch how these ladies all care for each other and our patients," he says.

Patients seek out Dr. Drouin's expertise, which includes skillfully performing the most complex restorations and rehabilitations as well as providing preventive care for the whole family. Patients share their lives and refer their friends because they cherish the man and his regard for them.

With his gratitude, joy, and contagious laughter, he is truly a man at play while making a difference in his patients' lives.

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