

History of Spokane Endodontics

This practice was started in 1976 by Dr. Blake McKinley, Sr. Dr. McKinley, Sr. was the second endodontist to establish a practice in Spokane. His dental training was completed at the University of Missouri, Kansas City in 1966 and his endodontic training was obtained from the Boston University Goldman School of Dental Medicine and completed in 1976. Upon completion of his training at Boston University, Dr. McKinley brought the highly predictable principles that embody the treatment philosophies of the Schilder Technique to the Inland Northwest.

Dr. Blake McKinley, Jr. completed his dental training at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska in 1995 and his endodontic training was completed at the Boston University Goldman School of Dental Medicine in 1997 under his father's mentor, Dr. Herbert Schilder. After completing his specialty training he moved back to Spokane and purchased his dad's practice. Both of the doctors practiced together until the fall of 2002 when Dr. McKinley, Sr. retired from full time practice.

Both doctors have been active in teaching a variety of endodontic related topics. By teaching the Schilder Technique and its principles to general dentists throughout the Northwest, Dr. McKinley, Sr., influenced many general dentists in a manner that elevated their own level of endodontic treatment and further influenced a number of general dentists to return to school to obtain their own endodontic specialty training. Since his retirement, Dr. McKinley, Sr. has made a number of trips to teach endodontics abroad in Russia, Africa, Asia, and Papua New Guinea. Dr. McKinley, Jr. has presented topics ranging from anesthesia techniques to nonsurgical and surgical endodontic diagnosis and treatment to study clubs and dental conferences.

The practice became Spokane Endodontics, P.S. late in 2006. At Spokane Endodontics, P.S., we utilize the Dental Operating Microscope on virtually every case that we treat to ensure a thorough examination of your tooth. Early in 2007, digital radiography will be fully implemented at Spokane Endodontics, P.S. We anticipate that digital radiography will only further enhance the level of service that is provided by our team!

