# America’s Best In Medicine: Dr. Uche Amaka Akanihu Adds Compassion And Confidence To Celebrate Dental In Springfield

## Recognized by America’s Best in Medicine as a Top Dentist for 2026, the Nigerian- and NYU-Trained General Dentist Is Dedicated to Helping Patients Smile with Confidence



**Clarksdale, Mississippi Nov 12, 2026 (**Issuewire.com**)** - Dr. Uche Amaka Akanihu, BDS, DDS, is a dedicated general dentist at Celebrate Dental and Braces in Springfield, Missouri, where she joined the

practice in September 2025. With more than a decade of experience in dentistry, Dr. Akanihu combines strong clinical knowledge with genuine compassion, creating a welcoming environment where every patient feels valued, respected, and confident throughout their dental journey. Her commitment to excellence has earned her recognition from America's Best in Medicine as a top dentist representing Springfield, Missouri, for 2026.

Dr. Akanihu's path in dentistry began in Nigeria, where she earned her Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) from the University of Port Harcourt in 2014. She went on to practice dentistry and build her skills in comprehensive dental care, an experience that deepened her dedication to improving oral health outcomes and serving patients with excellence and empathy.

Driven by a desire for continued growth, she pursued further opportunities in North America, first gaining experience in Canada, where she is credentialed with the College of Dental Surgeons of Alberta, before continuing her journey in the United States. In May 2025, she earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) degree from New York University College of Dentistry. Her path reflects her personal belief that anything is possible through determination, perseverance, and lifelong learning.

For Dr. Akanihu, dentistry reaches far beyond teeth. Her assistants often remark that she remembers every one of her patients and every conversation they have shared. She sees the role of a dentist as extending well beyond oral health. A dentist is also a therapist, a confidant, and a listener, and she takes pride in offering patients a safe space where they can openly express themselves.

Her passion is deeply personal. Growing up, Dr. Akanihu struggled with poor dentition and was teased because of it, and she promised herself that no child would have to go through the same experience. Today, she is determined to give her patients the kind of smile she never had as a child. She believes a smile is the most memorable thing people notice when they meet someone, and her greatest joy is helping patients regain their confidence with the smile they deserve.

At Celebrate Dental and Braces, Dr. Akanihu provides general and cosmetic dentistry with a focus on patient-centered care and smile restoration. She pairs clinical expertise with a personalized approach, ensuring that each treatment plan is tailored to the individual's unique needs and goals. Whether a patient visits for routine care or a complete smile transformation, her aim remains the same: to help them leave healthier, happier, and more confident. Patients in Springfield and the surrounding communities seeking compassionate, personalized dental care are encouraged to schedule a visit with Dr. Akanihu at Celebrate Dental and Braces.

Dr. Akanihu is a member of the American Dental Association, the College of Dental Surgeons of Alberta, and the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria. She is also a recipient of the President's Volunteer Service Award, reflecting her commitment to serving others beyond the dental chair.

Looking ahead, Dr. Akanihu plans to advance her skills in cosmetic dentistry, mentor future dental professionals, and eventually become a partner at Celebrate Dental and Braces. Through every stage of her career, she remains committed to compassionate care, lasting patient relationships, and making a meaningful impact in the field of dentistry – one confident smile at a time.

**Learn more about Dr. Uche Amaka Akanihu:**

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