



Oleg Krivichkin, D.D.S.

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In the end, some success stories matter more because they're rooted in courage.

In 2000, dentist Oleg Krivichkin, certified by the University of Moscow, left Russia during the political flight of the Russian Jews. His path eventually brought him to Southfield, Mich., where he made the acquaintance of a well-established dentist, Noah Levi. Krivichkin would need to be trained and certified in the United States before practicing as a dentist again, but in an effort to reach out to his fellow man, Dr. Levi hired him as a dental assistant, hoping to get Krivichkin on his feet.

"Working with Oleg that first day, he spoke little English and wasn't familiar with American high-tech methodology," remembers Dr. Levi. "I asked my-

self, 'What have I gotten into?'" At the time, Dr. Levi had no way of knowing how quickly Dr. Krivichkin would learn basic English or how determined he was to regain his dental stature. Dr. Krivichkin eventually left Southfield to attend the New York College of Dentistry, where he graduated near the top of his class before returning to Dr. Levi's practice in 2007.

"Dr. Levi is my greatest mentor and teacher," explains the now American-certified dentist Dr. Krivichkin. "I owe everything to him."

"Dr. Krivichkin became my dental associate and, this year, he will become my dental partner," beams Dr. Levi.

The Southfield Family Dental Center, established by Dr. Levi 22 years ago, is a comprehensive dentistry practice with specialty care in orthodontics

and periodontics. The practice treats children and adults, and excels in implants, root canals, cosmetic dentistry, and all phases of general and restorative dentistry.

"Nothing gives me a kick more than seeing someone's face light up after we've transformed their smile," says Dr. Levi — a man who has already proven, on many levels, that he's willing to tackle the most worthy challenges.

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