

M-OCDS News

MONMOUTH-OCEAN COUNTY DENTAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

A Component Society of The New Jersey Dental Association and the American Dental Association

From the President

Many of you may have heard the sad news of the passing of one of our esteemed members and Past President, Dr. Robert Isaacson. His presence on the board of trustees was a constant. His kind demeanor and dedication to organized dentistry, as well as his passion for continuing education will not be forgotten. I feel so honored to have known him for almost 30 years. I'd like to extend our deepest condolences from M-OCDS to the Isaacson family.



With the New Year under way, the unpredictable nature of this pandemic remains. With an abundance of caution, and with the health and safety of our members and guests in mind, the board of trustees made the decision to revert back to a virtual format for our January NJDA Leadership Tour "dinner" Meeting. NJDA President Dr. Luciano Ghisalberti, President-Elect Dr. Peter DeScicio and Executive Director Art Meisel, provided us with upcoming events as well as updates on governmental and regulatory agency affairs. They also honored our 60 new Life Members. Congratulations and thank you for your continual commitment to organized dentistry. February is an important month in our profession since it is dedicated to children's dental health! Our CDHM committee has moved forward with the annual poster contest which will be held virtually. Please share the information with families in your offices who have school age children and encourage them to get creative and submit their posters. Even though we are not having our interactive in person fairs, let's all highlight Children's Dental Health Month. Looking ahead, we have a dynamic speaker, Mike Massotto, of Staff Driven Dental as our presenter for the March 8th Dinner Meeting. The topic is "The Ultimate Staff Driven Practice". We all know, behind every great practice is a great team. Please be on the lookout for emails regarding this meeting. At the time of this publication a decision has not yet been made regarding in person

Closing out our dinner meeting series for this year will be a clinically relevant presentation by Dr. Sowmya Ananthan on April 12th. Her practice is Garden State Orofacial Pain and she will discuss Temporo-Mandibular Disorders.

As a society we are working to improve and increase our social media presence. Please look for our posts on Facebook and Instagram and remember to "like" and "share"!

Stay warm and healthy everyone.

"A smile is a curve that sets everything straight" Phyllis Diller

Dr. Carmela La Falce M-OCDS President

Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 2022

GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY

Friday, February 4. 2022 NJDA.org for details & events

JERSEY SHORE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Wednesday, February 9, 2022
"MODERN MATERIALS AND RESTORATIVE
TECHNIQUES: WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW
COULD HURT YOU"

Dr. John O. Burgess
LIVE ZOOM EDUCATIONAL MEETING
Eileen Becker at (732) 869-5734

TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, March 1, 2022 7 PM **ZOOM MEETING at 7PM**

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:00 PM
"THE ULTIMATE STAFF DRIVEN PRACTICE"
Mike Masotto of Staff Driven Dental
ZOOM MEETING at 7PM
FREE FOR MOCDS MEMBERS & EARN 2 CE CREDITS!

JERSEY SHORE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Wednesday, March 16, 2022
"MIRACLES AND MAYHEM-PHARMACOLOGICAL
ESSENTIALS FOR THE DENTAL TEAM
IN UNCERTAIN TIMES"

Dr. Karen Baker LIVE ZOOM EDUCATIONAL MEETING Eileen Becker at (732) 869-5734

TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 7 PM ZOOM MEETING at 7PM

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 6:00 PM
"TEMPORO-MANDIBULAR JOINT DISORDERS"
Dr. Sowmya Ananthan
WATERVIEW PAVILION, BELMAR
FREE FOR MOCDS MEMBERS & EARN 2 CE CREDITS!

PRESIDENT'S GALA

Sunday April 24, 2022 OYSTER POINT HOTEL, RED BANK

Society web site: www.M-OCDS.org

UNDER THE SPELL OF THE

Queen of Hearts,

ENJOY AN EVENING OF FINE DINING, DANCING AND CELEBRATION

MONMOUTH-OCEAN COUNTY DENTAL SOCIETY'S

President's Gala

honoring

Dr. Tocelyn Teffries-Bruno

Dr. Sally Guerrasio

Dr. Carmela La Falce

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2022

THE OYSTER POINT HOTEL

146 BODMAN PLACE | RED BANK, NJ

COCKTAIL HOUR AT 5PM DINNER AT 6PM \$75 PER PERSON

SUGGESTED ATTIRE: BLACK AND RED

KINDLY RSVP VIA GOOGLE FORMS BY MARCH 11TH

COUNCIL ON GOVERNMENTAL AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS MEETING MINUTES December 15, 2021

Council on Governmental and Public Affairs Meeting Minutes December 15, 2021

1. Welcome and Roll Call –

Statewide Elections and 2022 Outlook

The State Election results were reported by Jim Schulz. Governor Murphy won re-election by a razor thin margin making him the first democrat to win re-election in NJ since Governor Brendan Byrne. There were significant changes in the State Legislature. While democrats held on to the majorities in both houses, republicans picked up seats – the most seats in fact since 1993 – gaining a net of 6 seats in the Assembly and 1 in the Senate. In total, there are 17 newly elected Assemblypersons and 7 newly elected Senators. NJDA and NJDPAC will need to build relationships with many of these new members as they are not familiar with organized dentistry.

3. State Legislative Update –

a. A.4820/S.2853 – Disallow Legislation –

i. Awaiting action by Assembly Appropriations

ii. Carrier engagement

The Disallow legislation advancement has been impacted by the election results. Carriers are still opposed however; Horizon and MetLife have gone on record as neutral to the legislation. Delta Dental, with whom NJDA negotiated amendments, is still opposed, but principally to the language regarding lab choice. The legislation has been referenced to the Assembly Appropriations Committee where it has not yet been posted for a vote. This committee meets on a limited basis and the Chair lost re-election this year. If the bill does not get posted before January 10th it will need to be reintroduced and the legislative process started again. While not optimal, this does happen frequently Mr. Schulz reported.

b. A.4538/S.3131 - Consumer Credit

i. Signed into law

NJDA's consumer-facing legislation was signed into law on November 8th making NJ the first state to require insurance carriers to provide a credit or rebate to policyholders for unused dental benefits during the shelter in place requirements at the beginning of the pandemic.

c. A.5212/S.3638 - Dentist Vaccination Authorization

i. Signed into law

NJ became the 4th state to enact a law that enables dentists to vaccinate for influenza, HPV and any other emergency immunization (like COVID-19) aged 18 and older when Governor Murphy signed the legislation into law on November 8th. While the Act takes affect immediately, the State Board along with the State Board of Medical Examiners must enact regulations outlining the requirements dentists must follow before being allowed to vaccinate. This law does not impede the current emergency state vaccination authorization given to qualified dentists and hygienists under the Emergency Vaccination Plan issued by the NJ Department of Health.

d. S.3983 - Branch office Requirement Removal

i. https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2020/Bills/

S4000/3983 I1.HTM

ii. Introduced and looking for Assembly Sponsors

Much has been made about the significant problems regarding licensure as a result of the pandemic. The NJDA is making licensure reform a priority for the 2022/2023 legislative session. However, NJDA had legislation introduced to eliminate the Branch Office registration requirement imposed on dentists working in multiple office to help streamline one piece of the licensure process. Senator Bucco introduced the legislation and Assemblyman Giblin has agreed to be the Assembly champion. NJDA is working cooperatively with other organizations that are experiencing similar licensure issues to be addressed in the upcoming session.

e. S.2559 - Telehealth Reform

i. https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2020/Bills/

S3000/2559_R5.PDF

ii. Senate Concurred with Governor's Conditional Veto Modifications have been made and approved to NJ's telehealth law clarifying payment parity so long as providers follow strict guidelines established in the law. Most of the law does not apply to dentists however there is strengthened language regarding the need for patients to have adhesion to a brick and mortar facility to ensure payment parity. Significantly, telehealth is also extended to Medicaid in NJ.

4. Federal Legislative Update -

a. Build Back Better Act

Dental not included

Dr. Vitale outlined the Biden Administration's Build Back Better Act and its goal of adding a dental benefit to Medicaid Part D. The ADA had opposed a dental benefit in Part D because it would dilute a benefit and not help those most in need seniors. ADA proposed a Part T benefit that provided care to the most vulnerable seniors and didn't impact the majority of seniors who have a dental benefit via Medicare Advantage. In the end, dentistry was not included in the overall package chiefly due to the bill's total cost and the ADA's opposition.

5. Legal Update -

a. Arthur Meisel

Mr. Meisel provided a status update on the SDC case to which he has petitioned the NJ Supreme Court to hear the case. No word from the court yet on granting this petition. He also updated the Council on a Life Hazard Use fee that is before an Administrative Law Judge. At the center of this case is the imposition of a large annual fire hazard fee that some municipalities are charging dental offices due to the inability for patients to be ambulatory within the office setting in case of a fire. No determination has been made by the ALJ.

6. Old Business –

No old business was reported.

7. New Business -

a. 20222023 Session Issues

i. Licensure reform

Mr. Schulz noted the outlined licensure reform for next session. However, Dr. Ghisalberti noted that he is convening a Dental Auxiliary working group to help address the workforce shortages being experienced in NJ (and elsewhere)

ii. Workforce issues

See above for Dr. Ghisalberti's comments.

iii. Payer reform

Third party payer intrusion continues to be an issue. NJDA is looking at several new actions to address payer issues NJ dentists are experiencing.

b. Marketing Program

i. NJDA Advocacy Website Redo

Mr. Schulz reported that he is working with Bill Cook to redo the NJDA Advocacy Website. The new page is slated to launch on January 11th with the new Legislative Session.

ii. Social Media

Mr. Schulz reported very good interest in NJDA's facebook and Instagram pages when advocacy posted are made. He encouraged everyone to "like" the NJDA page and repost its content to boost awareness for members and nonmembers alike.

iii. Podcasts/Vlogs

Mr. Schulz is exploring this for the upcoming session with the ADA SPA consultant for public affairs. Members are likely to be asked to participate in both platforms.

8. Adjournment - Next Meeting - February 9th, 10am, via

Zoom

a. https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87992646644?pwd=Z0 9QYzVJNE5nb0FDWVZES01pNG9HUT09

January 4th, 2022

Attendance:

Trustees: C. Andricsak, M. Furlong, A. Gupta, B. Hersch, M. Friedman, Richard Isaacson, J. Jeffries – Bruno, C. LaFalce, R. Mctaggart, N. Nebblett, A. Seto, D. Shah, T. Sniscak, J. Soliman, M. Sones, E. Velazquez

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Carmela LaFalce at 7:00PM. The meeting was held via ZOOM video conferencing due to circumstances surrounding COVID-19.

We do have a Quorum

Approval of the minutes from last meeting:

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the prior meeting was made by Dr. R Isaacson and seconded by Dr M Sones

President's Report (Dr LaFalce):

Condolences were extended to the Isaacson family on the passing of Dr Robert Isaacson who was an integral part of the M-OCDS. A moment of silence was held in his honor

Our dinner meeting committee is busy planning the President's Gala which will be held on Sunday, 4/24/22 at the Oyster Point. We are looking forward to a great turnout.

We have 9 life members who will be attending the January dinner meeting and will be receiving the pins from NJDA President, Dr. Ghisalberti.

I contacted all of the life members and invited them to the officer visitation meeting and asked them to submit a photo and bio. I have forwarded the bios and photos to Doug from Omega graphics. He is helping me design a booklet to honor the life members. We will hand the booklets out at the dinner meeting and mail them to the life members who were not able to attend.

We had 3 dues waiver requests. We approved one at 100% dues waiver since it was the member's first request.

Another one we approved at 50% since it was his 3rd request.

The last one was also approved at 50% even though this was the member's 4th request. (I recommended we deny the request but NJDA asked me to consider a 50% dues waiver and I agreed).

The executive board is going to have a short meeting to discuss recipients of the Isaacson Award and the Distinguished Service awards, to be given out at the President's Gala.

Vice President's Report (Dr. M Sones):

The tentative schedule for 2022-2023 is the following:

August 2, 2022 - Organization Meeting

October 11, 2022 - TM

October 25, 2022 - DM

November 1, 2022 - TM

November 8, 2022 - DM

January 3, 2023 - TM

January 10, 2023 - DM

March 14, 2023 - TM

March 21, 2023 - DM

April 4, 2023 - TM

April 11, 2023 - DM

Working on lecture series, plan on focusing on clinical lectures. Need one more lecturer if anyone has any suggestions

We are working on a possible date for the President's Dance. It is my hope that we can combine what used to be Legislator's Night with our social event in September.

We will need to submit our councils and committees lists to NJDA by February 1 st. Please contact me directly if you can no longer maintain your current positions as we will need to find people willing and able to continue to make MOCDS function at the highest level.

I will be working with Dr. Soliman, our current treasurer, and the budget committee to present a budget for the 2022-2023 year and will present the proposed budget at our next Trustee Meeting.

Sponsorship Report: The following are our sponsors for our January 2022 dinner meeting:

Platinum - ASTETO Dental Lab, Zimmer Biomet

Gold - Newark Dental Pemco, CARR, Bank of America

Bronze - DDS Match, Align Technologies

Treasurer's Report (Dr. J Soliman):

All accounts in good standing. We have re engaged David Muldowney CPA to continue accounting and tax preparation for MOCDS. We will be transfer banks from Wells Fargo to TD Bank in 2022

NJDA Trustee Report (Dr. M Furlong):

Attached please find my NJDA Trustee report. Some of the notes are underlined or highlighted. I have also attached the unofficial meeting minutes from the NJDA. I'm happy to answer questions to my best ability, or to bring other concerns up at the next NJDA board of trustees meeting Jan 19, 2022.

NJDA Trustee Report-Dr Furlong

Here are meeting highlights. Official reports are available upon request.

The House of Delegates and Board of Trustees meetings were held at the Sheraton Edison on Nov 11, 2021. This is a new location for these meetings, which were held at the Pines Manor for many years.

M-OCDS was represented at the House of Delegates meeting by Drs Giantomas, Hirsh, LaFalce, Sniscak, Velazquez and myself. Here is a brief rundown of this meeting:

The proposed budget for was approved.

Executive director Art Meisel discussed that lawsuits against companies who denied claims for business interruption insurance due to COVID will most likely be dropped unless there is a "virus exception" clause and a "damage to property" provision. He reviewed that the Fire code/Life Hazard Use 2018 NJ fire code amendment, stating that any ambulatory care facility that renders a certain number of patients unable to exit in the event of a fire, simultaneously, must pay an annual fee. Some dental offices that provide sedation were contacted by their fire dept and told that they must register a \$974 annual fee. This is currently being discussed, and further clarification is needed. Discussion with the delegates included a suggestion for the NJDA to be pro-active in advising dentists on how to manage this in their office should they need to evacuate patients in an emergency. We are still disputing Smile direct club, and the appellate division has ruled against us. We have asked the Supreme Court to hear the case, however they only agree to hear about 8% of cases. Discussion with the delegates included questions about whether or not this is worth the time and/or money spent arguing cases like this

Dr Mitch Weiner discussed NJDPAC. There are lots of new faces in legislation and we must establish relationships. That is what PAC does for our profession. We've had some recent victories including premium reimbursement for unused services during COVID closures (for patients and dentists). Only 25% of dentists donate to PAC. The biggest donators are dentists age 55-59 and they are retiring so we need more of our younger dentists donating. Their future depends on it. The Board of Trustees meeting commenced i the afternoon. Here are some

Dental Benefits- Dr. A. Taulk- Negotiation of fees has been an issue for some participating dentists. Jennifer M at NJDA has a list of the companies that do and don't negotiate fees. More companies will be reducing fees in 2022 including Cigna, and it will affect general and specialists. Some companies are asking for more information before approval including signed treatment plans for treatment that day. If you select "Signature on file" you must actually have the signature on file and update regularly.

Governmental & Public Affairs- Dr. A. Dietz-We're in the Lame Duck session now as we approach holidays. The Consumer Rebate Bill has been signed into law. The Disallow Bill has been referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The Tele-Health Bill was remanded back to the legislature for concurrence. The legislation that gives dentists authorization to vaccinate within the scope of dentistry subject to the adoption of regulations by the NJ State Board of Medical Examiners and the NJ State Board of Dentistry, dentists will be able to vaccinate people ages 18+ for influenza, HPV, and other emergency related provision may be granted such as COVID-19.

Membership- AnnMarie Varga- Dues will include PAC levels. Each component should send an email from the officers encouraging them to contribute (do not unselect). Please coordinate the email with NJDA's email.

NJ Disaster Victim ID Program part 1 course will be offered during annual session in March. Part 2 will be offered in Sept 2022. You must participate in BOTH to be on the team

We may need more help at the NJDA to continue the lunch programs for dental team

We want to streamline dues payments from components to the NJDA.

CE-Dr. P. Lawyer-So far we have 50 registered for license renewal series courses Jan-Sept. Each course is offered 4 times and 10 CEUs will be required. The only course not included is CPR.

Annual Session has great programs for new dentists including business courses. Brassler will offer quarterly hands-on courses at NJDA HQ. We should spread the word.

AMT update M. Weiner-We joined AMT MEWA in May 2017 and we are growing. The other MEWA in NJ went bankrupt. The AMT board is prudent and has planned well to keep enough in reserves. ALL PLANS WILL BE INCREASING by about 10% and no rebates will be offered in 2021 (deficit year). The NJDA will benefit from more members joining. WE MUST ENCLURAGE MEMBERS TO GET QUOTES FROM AMT.

NJ State Dental Board updates-Vice Pres Renee Arace noted that there is a grace period for license renewal through 12/2021

Branch license applications for renewals can be done online but not new branch license applications.

All Advertising rules are on the NJ State Board website. Practice owners name must be clear on all signs, etc.

The NJAPD Dr Velazquez met with the dental auxiliary committee about RDAs being permitted to do supra gingival polishing with prophy paste. It was recommended to the State Board to make it clear that this is allowed in the regulations.

Maureen Barlow suggested that we include a "State Board Updates" section in the Mon morning email.

Student report-Elizabeth Tramantano-discussed setting up meetings with students and NJDA about PAC. There are student reps for each component however some have not been able to communicate with the component. I gave my business card for her to give our rep. Students need clarification about our policies to attend our meetings.

The Mentor-Mentee and Practice Transitions programs are up on the NJDA website and available to all members.

New Business-In 2022 we will consider re-allocating delegates and alt delegates to each component so there are no issues obtaining a quorum.

Good and Welfare-Ed Tirpack requested that the Mon morning email can have a link to access the meeting report info

CDHM-Dr Velazquez reminded all about CDHM Feb 2022 and GKAS on NJDA website. Share a smile is an extension of GKAS and there is a list of Ped Offices willing to see some children through Memorial Day.

Dr Joe Galletta passed away-he was a founding member of AGD in NJ The meeting went into executive session.

Respectfully Submitted, Miriam T. Furlong, DMD NJDA Trustee

This is the Unofficial Report of Actions of the Board of Trustees. It does not constitute the official minutes of the Board and may not be used as such. These minutes will be reviewed for final approval at the meeting of the Board of Trustees on January 19, 2022.

An in-person meeting of the NJDA Board of Trustees was called to order by Dr. Luciano Ghisalberti, NJDA President at 2pm on November 17, 2021.

Dr. Luciano Ghisalberti led the salute to the flag.

Officers in attendance: Drs. Lou Ghisalberti, Peter DeSciscio, Edward Tirpack, Renee Arace, Elisa Velazquez, Amit Vora and Mitch Weiner.

Trustees in attendance: Drs. Teresa Michaud, George Ayad, Harvey Nisselson, Janhavi Rane, Richard Kahn, Paul Lawyer and Scott Ruvo, Miriam Furlong, George Athansios, Sharon Stern, Kevin Corry, and Steven Greenbaum, and Elizabeth Tramontana (Rutgers).

Council Chairs in attendance: Drs. Antoinette Tauk, Andy Dietz.

Delegates/Alternate Delegates in attendance: Drs. Thomas Rossi, Carmela LaFalce, Maria Ambrosio, and (Guest) Geneieve Fernandes.

NJDA Staff: Arthur Meisel, Randi Shook, AnnMarie Varga, Maureen Barlow, Jennifer Mazzucca, Courtney Skolka, Rebekah Rosa, and Colleen Walkowitz.

The minutes of the September 22, 2021, meeting were approved. You may now consider these minutes your official minutes.

Consent Calendar

Council on Annual Session- Maureen Barlow presented report for Annual Session

Council on Dental Benefits- Antoinette Tauk reported that the minutes from the November 10, 2021, meeting will be available by the next meeting.

Next CODB meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 12, 2022.

Governmental & Public Affairs- Jim Schulz presented the current Governmental and Public Affairs report, focusing on these 4 items.

- 1.) Consumer Rebate Bill, which has been signed into law.
- 2.) Disallow Bill has been referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- 3.) Tele-Health Bill, the governor has conditionally vetoed the bill, which means it was remanded back to the legislature for concurrence.
- 4.) Jim also updated the Council, on legislation that gives dentists the authorization to vaccinate and is now considered in the scope of dentistry subject to the adoption of regulations by The New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners and The New Jersey State Board of Dentistry, dentists will be able to vaccinate individuals aged eighteen and over for Influenza, HPV and any other emergency related provision that may be granted such as Covid-19.

Membership Report-AnnMarie presented current 2021 Membership report.

Peer Review-Jennifer Mazzucca presented a brief Peer Review report. The Peer Review Workshop Training was held virtually via Zoom on Wednesday, November 3rd, 2021, from 9:00am to 12:30pm and was a success.

Finance and Investment-Elisa Velazquez reported on financials. NJDA Semi-Annual House of Delegates passed 2022 budget unanimously this morning on 11-17-2021.

NJ Disaster Victim ID Program-Luciano Ghisalberti reported that NJDA is offering, NJ Disaster Victim ID Program again in March of 2022 during Annual Session, there will be a second part established and will be available approximately in September 2022.

New Dentist-The new dentist Holiday Happy Hour will take place on Wednesday December 1 st, 2021, in Princeton, NJ. There is a conference call scheduled on Thursday 11-18-2021.

CE-Paul Lawyer and Maureen Barlow presented the CE report.

NJDA's online Licensure Requirements Series 2 will start in January 2022 with courses throughout the year covering the requirements New Jersey dentists will need for the next licensure renewal in 2023.

Registration for the Licensure Requirements Series 2 are now open, as of Monday November 15, 2021. There will be emails sent as well as announcements on social media.

CPR training is offered monthly at The NJDA headquarters building and is available to members at a discounted rate.

The NJDA's virtual Lunch Session Series for our members' staff is returning in the new year. The program is available to team members only.

Beginning in 2022 the NJDA will maintain records for its members of continuing education courses sponsored by the NJDA.

AMT- Mitch Weiner updated the Council on AMT coverages. Mitch reminded everyone to reach out to AMT get a quote, everyone is up for renewal every year.

Reports:

Executive Director-Arthur Meisel presented a legal report and status update.

President's Report-Luciano Ghisalberti presented the Presidents report.

Dr. Luciano's I have a dream.... I have a dream and goal for organized dentistry, bringing all of dentistry together under one roof, right here at NJDA.

In consideration, would be a summit for all specialties, to discuss the future of dentistry and the direction dentistry is going. We are NJDA and represent all of dentistry.

Remember we are NJDA strong!

President Elect-Peter Desciscio presented the President-Elect report.

Vice President- Renee Arace presented the Vice President report, which is available in writing.

Student Report-Elizabeth Tramontana gave student report.

Students are invited to component meetings at no cost. Liaisons, please communicate number of student attendees and any questions you may have to your component's secretary, for each component meeting.

New Business-Discussion in regard to reallocating the House of Delegates, Delegates and Alternate Delegates per component.

Good and Welfare-Elisa Velaquez discussed the Share a Smile Program.

The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 19th, 2022.

Adjournment Respectfully Submitted, Amit Vora, DDS

Recommended that the upcoming MOCDS President check the NJDA website for dates for NJDA meetings to ensure that the MOCDS is adequately represented ADA Delegate (Dr. Shah):

I reported partial report of ADA House of Delegates meeting as Official report was not out at that time. See attached some of the resolutions that I thought our members may like to see. MOCDS Editor does not have to publish everything and can edit my report before publishing to MOCDS members. Any member can go to ADA.org and can see full report of all resolutions. There are always lots of resolutions get done and it is not possible to report all. Please feel free to e mail me if you have any questions.

Recommended those that place implants provide patient of a copy of information about the type of implant placed and to keep in a safe place ADA Delegates Report:

ADA House of delegates meeting was October 13-16 and SmileCon meeting was from October 11-13 at Las Vegas, Nevada. Great News is our 4th District delegate and ADA trustee Dr. George Shepley, D.D.S. got elected as upcoming president of ADA. He is very experienced, has served on many important councils as a member as a chair. I think he will be a great president for 2022-23. Our current ADA president is Dr. Cesar Sabates, D.D.S. Our outgoing president Dr. Daniel Clemmedson, D.D.S., M.D. did a great job during tough times. House meetings most of them were non-controversial. Little disappointing attendance at SmileCon and felt sorry for the vendors hope they did alright.

Unofficial minutes of the house:

Anesthesia Coverage Under Health Plans Resolved, the ADA supports the position that all health plans, including those governed by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, should be required to cover general anesthesia and/or hospital or outpatient surgical facility charges incurred by covered persons who receive dental treatment under anesthesia, due to a documented complexity, behavioral, physical, mental or medical reason as determined by the treating dentist(s) and/or physician, and be it further Resolved, that the policy titled ERISA Reform (Trans.1998:738) be rescinded.

Resolved, that the American Dental Association supports the following provisions for ERISA plans:

1. Beneficiaries of employee health benefit plans should have the right to receive

health care from the providers of their choice

- 2. Employee health benefit plans should be prohibited from discriminating against legally qualified health care providers and to assure the solvency of such plans
- 3. Plan subscribers in Employee Retirement Income Security Act-regulated dental benefit programs should have the same protections that are commonly enjoyed by subscribers of state-regulated programs including the elimination of missing tooth clauses after one year of premium payments and the prohibition of down coding of fixed prosthesis to removable prosthesis
- 4. Self-insured payers and/or utilization review organizations should be held liable for any negligent utilization review decision that overturns the health care provider's clinical decision
- 5. Patients who suffer as the result of negligent utilization review decisions should be entitled to meaningful remedies and fair compensation
- 6. Patients who are denied benefits should if deemed have the right to an appropriate appeal mechanism under self-funded group health plans

Sleep Apnea: The dentist's role in the treatment of SRBD includes the following:

- Dentists are encouraged to screen patients for SRBD as part of a comprehensive medical and dental history to recognize symptoms such as daytime sleepiness, choking, snoring or witnessed apneas and an evaluation for risk factors such as obesity, retrognathia, or hypertension. If patients are at risk and appropriate candidates for home sleep apnea tests (HSAT) the dentist may order or administer the HSAT directly. If risk for SRBD is determined, these patients and pertinent patient information and HSAT data should be referred, as needed, to the appropriate sleep physicians for proper diagnosis.
- · In children, screening through history and clinical examination may identify signs and symptoms of deficient growth and development, or other risk factors that may lead to airway issues. If risk for SRBD is determined, intervention through medical/dental referral or evidenced based treatment may be appropriate to help treat the SRBD and/or develop an optimal physiologic airway and breathing pattern. · Oral appliance therapy is an appropriate treatment for mild and moderate obstructive sleep apnea, and for severe obstructive sleep apnea when a CPAP cannot or will not be is not tolerated by the patient.
- When a sleep physician diagnoses obstructive sleep apnea in a patient and the treatment with oral appliance therapy is recommended through written or electronic referral, a dentist should evaluate the patient for the appropriateness of fabricating a suitable oral appliance. A dentist should fabricate an oral appliance, monitor its effectiveness and titrate the appliance as necessary.
- Dentists should obtain appropriate patient consent for treatment that reviews the proposed treatment plan, all available options and any potential side effects of using OAT and expected appliance longevity.
- Dentists treating SRBD with OAT should be capable of recognizing and managing the potential side effects through treatment or proper referral.
- Dentists who provide OAT to patients should monitor and adjust the Oral Appliance (OA) for treatment efficacy as needed, or at least annually. As titration of OAs has been shown to affect the final treatment outcome and overall OA success, the use of unattended cardiorespiratory (Type 3) or (Type 4) portable monitors HSAT may be used by the dentist to help define the optimal target position of the mandible. A dentist trained in the use of these portable monitoring devices HSAT'S may assess the objective interim results for the purposes of OA titration.
- Surgical procedures may be considered as a secondary treatment for OSA when CPAP or OAT is inadequate or not tolerated. In selected cases, such as patients with concomitant dentofacial deformities, surgical intervention may be considered as a primary treatment.
- Dentists treating SRBD should continually update their knowledge and training of dental sleep medicine with related continuing education.
- Dentists should maintain regular communications with the patient's referring physician and other healthcare providers to the patient's treatment progress and any recommended follow-up treatment.
- · Follow-up sleep testing by a physician should be conducted so a sleep the physician to is able to evaluate the improvement or confirm treatment efficacy for the OSA, especially if the patient develops recurring OSA relevant symptoms or comorbidities. 42H.

Third Party Overpayment: Resolved, that the American Dental Association shall and its constituent societies are urged to seek or support legislation to prevent

third-party payers from 36 withholding assigned benefits or recouping payment when a payment made in error has been made on behalf of a different patient covered by the same third-party payer or because of an alleged overpayment to a different dentist, and be it further Resolved, that dental plans should not retroactively deny, adjust, or seek recoupment or refund of a paid claim for dental care expenses submitted by a provider for any reason, other than fraud or for duplicate payments on claims received from the same plan for the same service from a provider, after the expiration of six months from the date that the initial claim was paid. The plan must provide information about why a refund is due, including the name of the patient, date of service and service provided along with the reason for the overpayment and allow the provider six months before the refund must be paid. The provider should be allowed 30 days to contest the refund request, and be it further Resolved, that dental plans, representing self-funded and fully-insured plans, be urged to adopt these guidelines as an industry-wide standard for alleged overpayment of benefits to dentists.

Resolution 103, that appropriate agencies evaluate and develop a program that could possibly include a full time counselor/advisor, and continuing education, both live and virtual to guide its members who are or will be transitioning to retirement to support in future. It was tabled to report back to the 2022 House of Delegates regarding said program and the financial implication of implementing it

COUNCILS:

Council on Annual Session (Dr. Andricsak):

The meeting took place on Dec 7, 2021 which I was not able to attend. Here is the information that was discussed:

- There is a pay one price virtual package for up to 21 credits for 199.00 (same as last year) and each team member costs 99.00
- A la carte in person clinical programs up to 24 credits which prices depend on how many courses you register for
- Regional pop up social events which are included when you register for the conference. They will occur throughout the month in different areas of the state.
 - Marketplace guide of vendors
- I have attached a spreadsheet of the courses and their designated format
 - The total honorarium spent by NJDA is 5250.00
- NJDA has not notified the council members of any changes since this meeting with respect to COVID concerns. They note at registration that they reserve the right to cancel any course or event and refunds will be issued 2 weeks after the date of cancellation.
 - · The details of the courses are on the website registration
- The attached spreadsheet makes it a little easier to navigate all the options

Council on Dental Benefits (Dr. Safari):

Dental Benefits November 10, 2021

LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY: this report most likely will overlap with Council on governmental affairs—Consumer Rebate Bill: Jim Schulz provided the Council with an update on the Consumer Rebate Bill, which was signed into law, and is a national first in New Jersey. He updated the Council on legislation that gives dentists the authorization to vaccinate and is now considered in the scope of dentistry. Dentists will be able to vaccinate individuals aged eighteen and over for Influenza, HPV, and any other emergency-related provision that may be granted such as Covid-19.

the Tele-Health Bill. The governor has conditionally vetoed the bill, which means it was remanded back to the legislature for concurrence. At this point, Disallow Bill has been referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Dr. Vitale provided an update on dental benefits in Medicare ADA supports dental benefits in Medicare, not Medicare Part B. update on NJDPAC and the impact that PAC has, which has made it possible for the success and help legislations pass. Executive Director, Art Meisel Arthur Meisel gave a legal report and discussed the Anti-Trust Laws

DENTAL BENEFIT COUNCIL:

- · Cigna will be lowering reimbursement rates starting January 2022 for participating dentists both general and specialists.
- · Council updated Horizon BC/BS Health insurance and other medical claims as they will be processed as an SUA (virtual CC) or EFT only, no paper check payments.
- · Aetna Dental will only remit SUA and EFT only, EOB's will be available on Aetna's portal only-Aetnadental.com.
- · Change Healthcare has started sending out letters to dental providers that EOP's will be accessible online, you do have an option to opt-out of electronic EOP's and continue to receive EOP's paper via regular mail.
- Every member is encouraged to purchase the new 2022 CDT and Coding Companion books. There are 16 new codes, 14 revisions, and 6 deletions.
- · as per Keith Libou at Delta Dental reminding the dental providers that athletic mouthguards, scans, and expanded CBCT scans are all a covered benefit with Delta

MEDICAID AND ACCESS: Dr. Whitman reviewed the different entities of Medicaid, fee for service vs managed care, and auditing procedures.

Next CODB DATES: January 12, 2022, 9:30 AM

Council on Membership (Dr. Sniscak):

We are finishing the year strong with 615 M-OCDS members. NJDA finishes the year with 3459 members (down 2.3 % from endo of 2020)

At the state and national levels, membership is grappling with creating and promoting Member Value, particularly among lagging segments. These include Early Career (1 – 5 years in practice), Women, Racially/Ethnically diverse and dentists in large group practice settings. New grads question what the ADA offers them and if they can get these services elsewhere. A Joint Action Team with members from 3 ADA Councils and the New Dentist Committee was established to provide strategic direction on Member Value and Innovation

We are composed of approximately Equal thirds of millennials, generation x and baby boomers. Question was raised as are we capturing new dentists at an equal rate of losing retiring dentists or are we maintaining our numbers

Discussed improving the view that they get a direct reimbursement/discount program for their annual dues such as reduction in loan interest or good rates on life insurance. Earning a special title/status for earning CE through the ADA. Council on Membership Conference Call

November 15, 2021 7pm

Attendance: Drs. Brett Handsman (Chair) (Union), Uju Mbamalu (Essex), Janhavi Rane (Mercer), Nima Mirmadjlessi (Middlesex), Michele Schultz-Robins (Rutgers Faculty), Doug Bush (Tri-County), Eric Weinberg (Union). George Soliman (Rutgers)

NJDA staff: Art Meisel, AnnMarie Varga, Bill Cook & Colleen Walkowitz Membership Report:

- A total of 4546 have paid to date. Currently, 93% have renewed membership for 2021.
- $\,\cdot\,\,$ The first 2022 dues bill is scheduled to be mailed December 1 st.
- The ADA's 15 for 12 non-member promotion-dues are free through 2021 when advanced payment is made for 2022. To date 73 have joined. This offer is available until December 1st.
- The ADA created a 1-minute promotional video which is co-branded with the NJDA. The ADA requested this video be shown at upcoming component meetings.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGA5Nt_6gQQ

Rutgers Faculty Recruitment:

The committee discussed ways to recruit the faculty at Rutgers. Dr. Schultz-Robins suggested marketing the upcoming licensure series. Staff compiled a list of a total of 177 faculty members. 92 are members and 85 are non-members.

Recruitment/Retention:

- Dr. Uju requested staff to contact Dr. Athansios regarding ideas to recruit residents.
- $\dot{}$ Dr. Rane reported that Mercer will be hosting a nutrition seminar in May and will be inviting spouses to attend.
- The Council requested a copy of the student meeting reimbursement document. (attached)

The next conference calls are scheduled for:

January 24th March 21st May 16th

Dr. Handsman has asked for the Council members to make every effort to attend these conference calls.

Council on Peer Review (Dr. M Friedman):

No active cases

COMMITTEES:

Committee on Necrology: (Dr. Rick Isaacson)

Dr. Robert Isaacson was born in Newark and raised in Freehold. He obtained his dental degree at Columbia University, became a Captain in the Air Force and then returned to Columbia to complete his orthodontic residency. He was a dedicated supported of organized dentistry evidenced by his positions as past president of NJAO, past president of MOCDS and NJDA delegate. He opened his first orthodontic practice in 1962 in West Long Branch. He was well loved by his patients and community. He is survived by his older brother, his two sons and four grandchildren. He will be sorely missed.

Committee on Communications (Dr. M Friedman):

Next newsletter is February, submissions due by 1/15 however will accept after the next dinner meeting on 1/18

Committee on Nominations (Dr. M Sones):

Committee on Budget and Finance (Dr S Albin):

Investment accounts: Will have end of year reports by next Trustee Meeting. Committee on General Membership and Educational Programs (Drs Seto, Gupta and Sieg):

Discussed sending out virtual invitations for the president's dinner dance. There will be a theme and award presentations. We have Dr Bruno's and awaiting Dr Guerrasio and Dr LaFalce for award nominations. A ticket fee increase for attendance was suggested. Discussed each president was awarded a complimentary table in the past. In past NJDA members that attended were also subsidized. Discussed reduced rates for new members and residents. However highlighting that it will be an elegant and fun affair.

Committee on Children's Dental Health (Dr. Jeffries-Bruno and Dr. Sones):

Flyers and information went out in the last newsletter and have been submitted for placement on our website.

We will be holding the annual poster contest in February. In consideration of continued risks is COVID we have decided to postpone the fairs to next year or possibly during to spring or summer when we could hold the event outdoors.

Website: I am in discussion with our web master to correct the changes as discussed last month. Please contact me for any additional updates or changes as needed.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Call from NJDA, other components have switched their January meetings have switched to virtual and we have the option to switch to virtual. The decision was made to move the meeting to virtual, highlight the life members photo and bio on social media.

Dr Mctaggart wanted to make the community aware that Monmouth has stopped all elective surgical procedures , Jersey Shore , Ocean hospitals have full Covid wards. Reminder to use Universal Precautions and protect their patients and staff . The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, N Nebblett DDS M – OCDS Secretary 2021 - 2022

Dr. Robert Jerome Isaacson, age 89 of West Long Branch, died Monday, November 29, 2021 at Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch. Born in Freehold he moved to West Long Branch 60 years ago to open his own practice, Isaacson Orthodontics.

Through the years he was honored to be a member of many organizations; the American Association of Orthodontics, Middle Atlantic Society of Orthodontics, New Jersey Association of Orthodontics (Past President), American Society of Dentistry for Children, American Cleft Palate Association, American Dental Society, Monmouth-Ocean Dental Society (Past President), Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity, New Jersey Dental Association, Rutgers Scarlet Knight Swim Team and a West Long Branch Chamber of Commerce Board Member. Dr. Isaacson was also an Associate



Professor at Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery from 1971 to 2021 and taught at the Montefiore Medical Center. He received Distinguished Service Awards from the New Jersey Association of Orthodontists, Columbia University, New Jersey Dental Association and MOCDS and served our Country honorably in the U.S. Air Force achieving the rank of Captain.

He was predeceased by his wife Barbara in 2019. Surviving are two sons, Dr. Richard Isaacson and his wife Jeanne and Dr. James Isaacson and his wife Alyce; his brother, Dr. Howard Isaacson and 4 grandchildren, Michael, Sara, Joseph and Carli.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, November 30 at 11:00 am at Congregation Torat El, 301 Monmouth Road, Oakhurst, NJ 07755. Interment followed at Beth Israel Cemetery in Woodbridge.



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CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH 2022

VIRTUAL POSTER CONTEST!

February is National Children's Dental Health Month!

To Celebrate and promote good oral health, the Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society is holding a FUN "VIRTUAL" POSTER CONTEST for Children in Monmouth and Ocean Counties currently in <u>Grades K through 8</u> "Sealants Make Sense"!

General Rules:

- 1. WHO MAY ENTER: Children in Grades K through 8 from Monmouth or Ocean County, NJ.
- 2. **NECESSARY MATERIALS**: Any Size paper or poster board, and markers, crayons, or colored pencils any additional glitter, glue it's up to you! Use your imagination!!
- 3. **THEME**: Incorporate the theme chosen by the American Dental Association <u>"Sealants</u> <u>Make Sense"</u> and include anything that demonstrates good dental health. Examples: Good oral hygiene, how to take care of your teeth, visiting the dentist, eating good food, brushing/flossing... Be creative!
- 4. LABELING: MUST LABEL BACK WITH:
 - Contestant first and last name, grade, School attended NAME & TOWN (Example: Long Branch/Brick)
 - -Supervising adult name, relation to contestant, and a contact phone and/or email
- 5. SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS 6pm MONDAY February 28, 2022:
 - Email photo or scanned image of poster front and back. Email to the address below based on your school/home county location:

Please Include SUBJECT LINE: "Poster Contest Entry"

- Monmouth County: MonmouthPosterContest@gmail.com
- Ocean County: OceanPosterContest@gmail.com
 - $^{\star}A$ confirmation email will be sent within 72 hours of receipt of entry email.
 - *You may begin submitting February 1st.
- If you have a group of posters from a school or art group please email for additional options for bulk submission.



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WINNERS will be notified MONDAY, March 21st 2022 via Email or Phone provided on entry. Posters will be judged based upon CREATIVITY & NEATNESS.

- Prizes will include gift cards as well as a certificate from Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society.
- Number of winners and prizes/amounts depends on the number of entries received.
- No images will be posted by M-OCDS on any M-OCDS social media or other correspondence unless permission is obtained from a parent/guardian.
- All entries will be deleted from the Email Account by June 1, 2022, no information will be retained.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, FUN PAGES AND INFORMATION ON Children's Dental Health Month as well as the GIVE KIDS A SMILE SITES CAN BE FOUND ON THE M-OCDS WEBPAGE under the Calendar of Events Tab in December.

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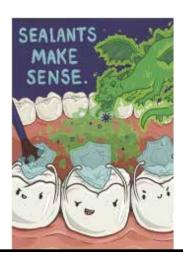
Feel free to promote this event in your office and on social media. Please make sure to tag M-OCDS on our Facebook Page or Instagram Account @mocdsnj

If you have questions please contact the M-OCDS CDHM Committee Chairs:

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and OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP APNEA (PM)"

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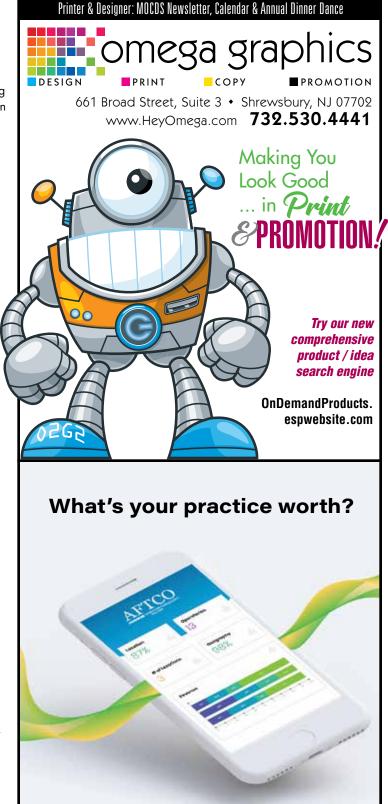
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We all want life to be "normal" again but new infectious disease threats along with economic and social upheaval present unique challenges to dental practice. We will focus on new infectious disease threats including viruses, superbugs, and the future of new antibiotic development. Many patients want to know about immune support supplements or therapies so we will talk about the myths and realities of these treatments. Antibiotic stewardship is more important than ever so we will outline evidence-based strategies for antibiotic prescribing. When is prophylactic antibiotic use warranted and how can we assess risk vs benefit? Meanwhile, the opioid epidemic touches every American and dental prescribing practices have rapidly evolved. We will examine current and future innovative drug combinations which can reduce risks to patients and to your practice. Finally, drug interaction risks increase as the patient medication list gets longer. Extensive handouts will allow clinicians to apply lecture information to chairside practice in order to meet the complex challenges of modern dental pharmacotherapy in uncertain times.

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Upon completion of this lecture, attendees should be able to:

- Identify misleading and dangerous misinformation about antiviral treatments,
- List three proven strategies for strengthening immune health,
- List five steps in appropriate antibiotic prescribing in dental practice,
- · Discuss the AAOS and AHA antibiotic prophylaxis guidelines,
- · Prescribe opioid-sparing analgesia regimens with confidence, and

Modify dental drug therapy in order to avoid potentially dangerous drug interactions

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