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President's Message

Jacob K. Lee, DDS



As students head back to school and we enjoy our last few weeks of summer weather, let's reflect on the busy and enjoyable summer we have had. Throughout the summer your leadership team has been working hard for you. I would like to highlight some of our summertime activities.

• Planning for our Annual Meeting October 11-14, 2018

As many of you are aware, we have moved our annual meeting from spring to autumn. Please mark your calendar now! Dr. Oariona Lowe, Annual Meeting Chair and Dr. Suzy Tavara, Vice-President and Annual Meeting Event Coordinator, are planning the Annual Meeting to be held in Torrey Pines, October 11-14, 2018. An exciting event is planned to pay tribute to our past Presidents on Friday, October 12. We hope you will join us in recognizing their vision and commitment.

• Enhancing Delivery of Information to CSPD Members

With a recommendation from Dr. Roland Hansen, a past President and past Editor, we have formed an Ad Hoc Bulletin Editorial Committee. The members of this committee, Dr. Chanel McCreedy, chair of the Communication Committee, Dr. Angela Lee, Associate Editor, Dr. Nancy Hsieh, past chair of the Communication Committee, and Dr. MyLinh Ngo, Managing Editor, will consult with past editors to identify and implement enhanced

means of delivering pertinent information to our members in digital and print forms. With the assistance of Smith Moore and Associates (SMA) design team, we will also explore a fresh layout for the CSPD Bulletin.

• Enlisted new Peer Review Committee members

A month ago Dr. Bernard Gross, the chair of the Peer Review Committee, and I discussed perhaps eliminating the Peer Review Committee since it has not functioned for a while. However, Dr. Gross and I agreed that this committee is like a homeowner's insurance policy. While we hope it is never used, if the need arises it will be there. I welcome the members who have undertaken the CDA calibration process: Drs. Bernard Gross, Evelyne Vu-Tien, Randy Niederkohr and Michael Kleinman.

• Initiated Leadership Development and Nomination Committees

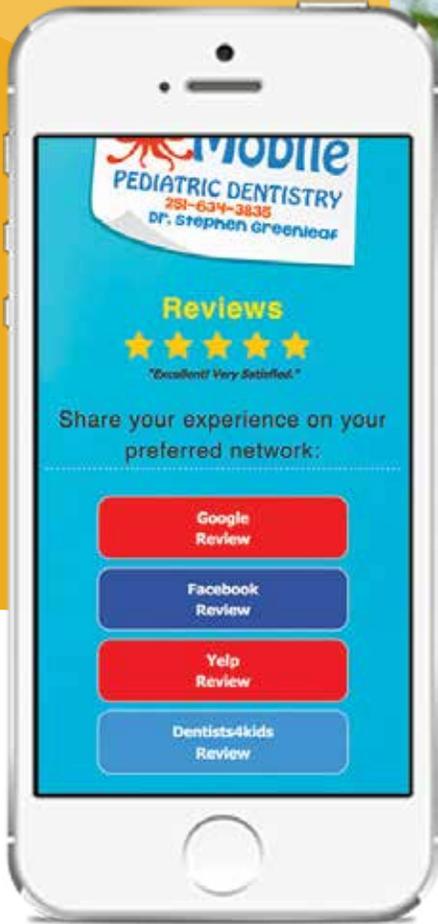
The Leadership Development Committee (LDC) and the Nomination Committee perform vital work for our organization. Their task every year is to seek, vet and nominate leaders to serve our organization. We have moved the online application deadline to earlier in the year (to October 1, 2017) to provide sufficient time for the committees to complete their important work. Please consider the invaluable leadership and mentorship you can provide to your organization if members of the LDC and the Nomination Committee reach out to you.

• Continued Strong Financial Leadership and Management

Our organization's finances are in great shape. You can read more in the report by our Treasurer, Dr. Don Schmitt. He ensures that we manage our organization's funds responsibly.

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For example, we have four Board of Directors meetings per year. We typically have two meetings in Northern California and two in Southern California to accommodate attendees. Since there are flights involved that can be costly, the Board meeting attendees keep a keen eye on announcements of fare sales and notify each other to maximize timely discounts.

• Ensure Financial Transparency

The Audit Committee has been fully engaged with Dr. Eddie So serving as the chair, along with members Drs. Natalie Mansour and Kim Whippy. With the assistance of our Executive Director, Dr. Andy Soderstrom and SMA, they have selected an independent audit firm, who will peruse our financial books to ensure that our procedures meet accounting standards.

• Streamlining Board Proceedings

We have formed an Ad Hoc Board Proceedings Committee to standardize our Committee/Officer Report form and assimilate them into our electronic Board reporting system. Dr. Andy Soderstrom, with his experience with the American Dental Association and our President-elect Dr. Jonathon Lee, with his experience with the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, will help us optimize our time and efforts.

The work of the board and committees can be time consuming and we sometimes think about how we could instead be relaxing after a busy day in our practices. However, our involvement allows us to have continued professional and personal growth. We enjoy learning how to problem-solve, learning to agree to disagree with an understanding that at the end of the day, others are just as passionate about our shared profession. These experiences truly enrich our lives.

Important California Legislation Affecting Sedation

Our Public Policy Advocate, Dr. Paul Reggiardo, will elaborate in his report,

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but we must continually endeavor to be the ultimate voice in this arena. We are but a very small body in the land of the political giants. Regardless, we fight the fight that we can and must win for the sake of our patients.

With the renewed understanding of the political forces at play, I have asked Dr. Nancy Hsieh to develop programs for our Board members to learn how to be strategically engaged within the challenging political climate in California. We will also vigorously cultivate our future leaders who are well-versed in political affairs by having our Santos Cortez legislative interns attend our Board meetings.

CSPD Offers Another Opportunity for Continuing Education on April 21, 2018

Let's continually hone our sedation skills. Dr. Suzy Tavana is organizing a spring continuing education meeting to be held on Saturday April 21, 2018, in San Francisco extensively on sedation. See you all there!

What Moves CSPD?

Many dedicated people! In one swift year, I am merely a conductor of this great symphony of talented performers. These individuals bring unique perspectives, generously giving their free time as they strive to uphold and improve our organization. I hope you are as proud and appreciative of them as I am.



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MISSION OF THE BULLETIN

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Western District Trustee Report

John Gibbons, DDS, Western District Trustee



It has been 70 years since the AAPD was formed to represent pediatric dentistry, and with over 90 percent of all pediatric dentists belonging

to our organization, the AAPD is the envy of all other dental/medical organizations. The annual meeting in Washington DC was the best-attended meeting in our history with over 60 percent of our 10,000 members traveling to an outstanding meeting.

The AAPD has had some outstanding keynote speakers over the years and this year was no exception with motivational speaker, Mel Robbins. I am sure many of you were there to hear her since the room was packed, but if you missed her, look her up on YouTube. She will share with you how to change your life in five seconds, which is quite the claim, but it works!

I would like to congratulate all those who were honored at this year's annual meeting by receiving AAPD Recognition Awards. I would like to especially congratulate Dr. Paul Reggiardo, recipient of the AAPD's most prestigious award, the Distinguished Service Award. The Distinguished Service Award is not given yearly; it is given only when the Board of Trustees identifies someone who has made a significant contribution to our profession. Congratulations Dr. Reggiardo, no one is more deserving.

In April, the AAPD had its inaugural Chapter Leadership Orientation/Public Policy Advocate (PPA) Refresher Course in a joint two-day meeting

held in Chicago. On the first day, the chapter leaders went through an orientation presented by AAPD leaders and staff from the Chicago Headquarters that shared what useful services were available for the states and districts. Presentations were given on AAPD dues collection, advertising, crisis management, nonprofit organizations and goals that states and districts might achieve. Again, California being one of the most organized states was able to take a lead in contributing on how a well-organized board operates. The second day PPAs from different states shared their state's legislative successes and stories with fellow PPAs and chapter leaders.

There was some question as to how this first conference would turn out, but by the end of the conference, there was quite a buzz of excitement! A survey following was so positive that the AAPD Board of Trustees voted to sponsor a second Chapter Leadership Orientation/PPA Refresher course in the fall of 2018. It is my feeling that having the state, district, and national Leaders all together to share their successes and challenges can only strengthen us as an organization

Recent events have spotlighted the use of in office sedation and in office general anesthesia for dental treatment. The AAPD/AAP have invested heavily in joint sedation guidelines that will significantly reduce any possible risk to our patients. It is our duty as providers to do all we can to protect our patients by following those guidelines and having a well trained staff that will ensure that our patients have the best outcomes.

Some of our colleagues have asked why the AAPD was not part of the "Sunday Night with Megan Kelly" story on "Risk of Dentists Giving Children

Sedatives". AAPD President, Jim Nickman, was interviewed for the story, but his interview did not make the final editing. Obviously, the AAPD does not have control over what ends up on the editing floor. President Nickman has continued to directly communicate with the producer of the "Sunday Night with Megan Kelly" as well as NBC Anchor Kate Snow. His Interview with Linda Carrol of NBC on the "9 Questions to ask your dentist before your kids go under sedation" was posted on The Today Show website.

The AAPD E-News dated July 12, 2017 has more information on how to access the full story of AAPD President Nickman's interviews. That same E-News has a list of potential questions and answers that you might find useful if your patients ask you about the use of sedation or general anesthesia. More recently, President Nickman was interviewed by Tony Edwards of Dr. Bicuspid.com which ran online on July 13. The most important message is that the safety and welfare of the children is our top priority.

Last year, the AAPD Board of Trustees created a Sedation Work Group that is developing a sedation database to gather information that will help in establishing best practices. They are currently working with several locations in a pilot program. The type of information they will be looking at will include the numbers of sedations, types of sedations and outcomes of sedations. All this information will become valuable in improving the way we practice and in protecting our patients.

As I start my third year as the Western District Trustee, I am so humbled by all of the amazing leaders I have had the privilege to work with and I thank you for allowing me to represent you.

Message from the WSPD President

Sarah Hulland, BSc, DDS, Pediatric Dentist, MSC



As summer slowly meanders along, we have the chance to reflect on our opportunities and to renew our enthusiasm for our

profession. It is without doubt that we, as a group, share a united passion for the provision of care for our young patients.

My name is Sarah Hulland and I am your new president of the Western

Society of Pediatric Dentistry (WSPD). I am excited to have the opportunity to work with an amazing Executive Committee: Cody Hughes (vice-president); Ora Lowe (past president); Bobby Yang (Treasurer) and Christine Roalofs (Secretary). With the enthusiasm of the executive as well as the energy of the entire board I know that the movement of the WSPD forward is in a good position.

I would like to thank Ora for the incredible job she has done as president of the WSPD. For the past three years she has worked tirelessly on our behalf to be a voice to the AAPD while ensuring that the policies and procedures of the organization

are current and relevant. And just to prove that she is super human, she envisioned and developed the Student Advocacy Mentoring Program (StAMP) fund within the WSPD.

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I have always envisioned organizations as forward moving trains. Each presidency tenure adds a car to the train while ensuring that the motion of the organization, as a whole, is not interrupted but instead is enhanced. Over the next few months, the current Executive Committee will be finalizing the focus that the WSPD will be adding to this train. As a Canadian member of this group, I look forward to bringing a wider international prospective to the table while concurrently garnering a deeper understanding of the issues and values that impact our organization.

In closing, I would like to thank the entire membership for once again supporting my efforts as President of the Western Society of Pediatric Dentistry.

Sarah Hulland

BSc, DDS, Pediatric Dentist, MSC
President WSPD

A promotional banner for the WSPD Mid-Year Meeting. The top half features a photograph of a large, rusted metal structure, possibly a bridge or industrial equipment, against a clear blue sky. Overlaid on this image is the text 'REGISTRATION IS OPEN!' in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters, slanted upwards from left to right. The bottom half of the banner has a dark wood-grain background. It contains the following text in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters: 'MID-YEAR MEETING', 'SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018', 'HYATT EMBARCADERO', and 'SAN FRANCISCO, CA'. Below this text is a decorative horizontal line with a central arrow-like flourish. Underneath the line is a semi-transparent grey box containing the text: 'CE driven event: PALS, Infection Control, Dental Practice Act plus Pediatric Sedation, CSPD Annual Business Meeting, and more!'. At the very bottom of the banner, the text 'GO TO CSPD.ORG TO REGISTER!' is written in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

Executive Director's Message

Andy Soderstrom, DDS



When the numerous dues statements arrive each year, I've always made the choice to participate in organized dentistry. Those dues support the various

associations I choose to associate with. In return, those associations support not only our profession but also the populations we serve. I recognize it is not an inconsequential sum of money and an even more significant amount for those who also choose to participate in their specialty association in addition to the tripartite associations. Add in Board and honorary society dues and the total continues to grow.

Let's take a look at some of the issues that the ADA/AAPD and CDA/CSPD have taken on in 2017.

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Affordable Care Act (ACA)

– Passed in 2010 and enacted in 2012, the purpose of the ACA was to improve the patient experience, improve the health of populations and reduce per capita costs. While many would state that the ACA has failed those three aims, the number of uninsured individuals has decreased from 17.2% to 7.1% in California primarily due to the expansion of Medicaid. Despite having control of the House, Senate and the White House, the Republicans were unable to repeal the ACA largely due to concerns of what would happen to the newly covered recipients. Approximately 90% of the newly covered also receive a subsidy or cost-share. Currently, about 30% of all Californians and 50%

of children in California are covered by Medi-Cal/Denti-Cal. The proposed reductions or shift to block grants for Medicaid presented tremendous risks/uncertainties and as such were opposed by the ADA, AAPD and CDA. Remember, “...advocating optimal oral health of infants, children and adolescents” is part of the CSPD Mission Statement. That includes those receiving Medicaid benefits.

Dental Assisting Licensure –

You may be aware that the Dental Board of California suspended the RDA practical exam in April due to declining pass rates and numerous problems with the current exam. Individuals who had completed all the requirements for licensure and submitted their application prior to July 1 where issued their RDA license. After July 1, new licenses cannot be issued until new legislation is passed. It was anticipated that the legislation would be passed mid September – mid October. CDA worked diligently with the legislature and AB 1707 (Low) was signed on August 7, 2017. The law went into effect immediately allow the Dental Board to resume issuing RDA licenses. The Dental Board now has until July 1, 2020 to develop a new practical exam.

Delta Dental Lawsuit – After 3½ years of litigation, CDA, on behalf of Delta Dental Premier Providers, settled a class action suit against Delta Dental related to Delta's intent to reduce Premier Provider reimbursements. In June, Delta discovered a “miscalculation” which could affect the proposed settlement. A case management hearing is set for late August 2017. This action has saved providers an estimated half-billion dollars in reimbursement payments. “Big deal,” you say. “I'm not a Premier Provider and Delta no longer offers Premier contracts.” While that is true, a precedent was set when CDA was granted standing to represent members of the class. Without that ruling, members would have been on their own to take on a corporate giant, Delta Dental.

Sedation Legislation – Following the death of a six year old in the Bay Area, legislation was introduced to increase the safety of administration of deep sedation/general anesthesia to children. The Dental Board held hearings and presented a report with their recommendations to the legislature. Two pieces of legislation were introduced: AB 224 (Thurmond) (aka Caleb's Law) and SB 501 (Glazer). While the initial focus was on deep sedation/general anesthesia, changes to moderate and minimal sedation are now included. At this time, only SB 501 is proceeding. I won't go into the details but encourage you to read Dr. Reggiardo's updates related to these bills. CSPD has worked closely with CDA to assure that proposed changes are evidence based and improve safety without creating additional access to care barriers.

CSPD is also working with CDA on AB 1277 - Dental Waterline Infection Control (minimal standards when the pulp is exposed), SB 379 Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment (requires reporting of collected data), proper utilization of Prop 56 funds and Dental Plan Accountability & Reporting (implementing a loss ratio for dental plans). Nationally, the ADA works with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to improve program funding, is developing in collaboration with the AAPD a toolkit for documentation of Medicaid services and promoting audits being done by like providers

These and many more issue can only be addressed by organized dentistry. Without members (or even declining membership), organized dentistry will become less effective in supporting our profession, become fractured like medicine and in the worse case scenario cease to exist. “United we stand, divided we fall” comes from Aesop's tale describing how a lion was only able to take down oxen once they separated. Let's hope dentistry doesn't become separated because there are many lions lying in wait to take it down. Tell your tale of why you are a member and encourage those who are not members to join the herd.

Giving Back

Thank You CSPD Foundation Corporate Sponsors!

Each year a select group of concerned individual companies step up and support the Warren Brandli Internship Program. This program offers individuals who are in the early stages of their career an opportunity to participate in the CSPD governance and advocacy activities and to attend internal organizational and inter-professional meetings, which nurtures the future leaders of our profession.

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Steve Gross, President

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Brenda Hansen, Executive Director

2018 CSPD/WSPD Annual Meeting

La Jolla, California



The upcoming CSPD and WSPD Annual Meeting is scheduled for October 11-14, 2018 at the beautiful Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines Hotel in La Jolla, California, located just outside of San Diego.

The Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines has many amenities onsite and nearby that are sure to make this meeting memorable! It features breathtaking ocean and golf course views. Many balconies and patios offer panoramic views of the gardens, Torrey Pines Golf Course and the Pacific Ocean horizon. The Hilton is located on a PGA golf course, which is one of the few public PGA courses and is owned by the City of San Diego. The Torrey Pines Golf Course is the future site of the 2021 U.S. Open Championship. The Lodge at Torrey Pines, located next door, is home to the luxurious Torrey Pines Spa, which is open to guests. One can easily enjoy the Mission Bay Aquatic Park and the Torrey Pines Beach, which are both in close proximity. In addition to bicycle and jogging paths, the hotel features a large outdoor pool and fitness center for exercise enthusiasts. The highly acclaimed Torreyana Grille and Lounge is located within the hotel and is available for in-house dining; it features a private dining room, outdoor patio dining, and fire pits with comfortable lounge furniture. In

addition, coffee and tea stations are conveniently available in the common areas.

“Many balconies and patios offer panoramic views of the gardens, Torrey Pines Golf Course and the Pacific Ocean horizon.”

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Join us for fun, sun, golf and a sensational educational experience! A unique line-up of speakers and topics is being planned with you in mind. Our program is designed to keep your interest and captivate you.

The scientific program commences on Thursday afternoon with a special session on anterior teeth restorations followed by a special presentation and workshop on SDF and its use in private practice. Topics for the scientific session include pulp therapy for the primary and permanent dentition, humanitarian efforts in dentistry, and ethical dilemmas facing pediatric dentists that affect both practice decisions and treatment. Resident

**2018 Annual Meeting
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poster presentations are scheduled for Friday afternoon. The keynote presentation is planned for Saturday morning with Dr. Robert Lustig of UCSF School of Medicine as the keynote speaker. He will be speaking on the systemic effects of sugar. There will be a review of evidence-based research regarding sugar toxicity, and he will provide our members with valuable updates on nutritional counseling.

Social events include a Thursday evening Welcome Reception. The Friday afternoon luncheon will be a “Tribute to the Past Presidents”. Plans are currently underway for this special dedication. Following the resident poster presentations on Friday afternoon, the Warren Brandli Intern and New Dentist receptions will take place. Alumni events are planned for Saturday night followed by our Saturday Gala!

**We look forward to seeing
you at Torrey Pines in La
Jolla, California!**

Oariona Lowe, DDS, MPH, MA
Annual Meeting Chair

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“No Sugar Please” – Robert Lustig, MD

World Famous Keynote Speaker at the 2018 Annual Meeting



As a Xennial (yes, that's a thing for those of us who are in the microgeneration between GenX and Millennials) who loves watching Netflix- Robert Lustig is a superstar. He is

the voice of scientific reason peppered into all my favorite documentaries: Fed Up, The Weight of the Nation, Sugar Coated, etc. He is all over my favorite late night shows like Colbert and Bill Maher. I have his books on my shelves and his YouTube channel on my home screen. As a pediatric dentist, I feel my job is part dentist, part nutritional counselor, so I love pouring over all the latest evidence-based research regarding sugar. It is a part of every patient conversion I have and every grocery trip for my own family.

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When CSPD chose to book Robert Lustig for our first annual autumn meeting, it marked the change in our educational focus. While we will always bring our members solid information on pulp therapy and dental materials- many believe an integrated approach to pediatric dental health with a strong emphasis on prevention is the future of our profession.

The excitement over silver diamine fluoride is a hallmark sign that we are shifting into a prevention-focused field. Our patients and our peers are urging us to be proactive in finding a cure for cavities. While the options for chemical prevention are fantastic- what can we offer educationally to our patients that will truly change their disease patterns?

Robert Lustig could be the answer to that question. A world-renowned pediatric endocrinologist with an impressive resume including MIT, Cornell, and UCSF- he has built his career on over 100 published articles and a strong research background in sugar. He is one of our nation's leading experts on the long-term effects of sugar on our bodies as well as the systemic toxicity it causes. It should be no surprise to us that the same primary etiology for the most common chronic disease of childhood

(caries) has a ripple effect on the entire body of a child.

During his lecture at CSPD's 2018 Annual Meeting in La Jolla, Robert Lustig will delve into the most current research on sugar and nutrition. He will shed light on the chronic diseases that sugar causes, and the differences between the ingestible types of sugar. Our members will get a chance to ask him questions and really shape the nutritional counseling they are providing their patients. Robert Lustig wrote the American Heart Association's Guideline on sugar. He has helped shape the World Health Organization's recommendations on sugar. He has single handedly pushed the issue of sugar to the forefront of media and science. I look forward to the knowledge he imparts on our members, and the multi-disciplinary continuing educational experience offered by CSPD!

Suzy Tavana, DDS, MS, CSPD Vice President, Annual Meeting Event Coordinator



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Student Activity Update for School Year 2016-2017

Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC students gain ample exposure to pediatric dentistry. There are three organizations at USC that focus on providing pediatric dentistry education and/or hands-on experience to dental students: the Pediatric Dentistry Selective, the Pediatric Dentistry Study Club, and the American Association of Public Health Dentistry USC Chapter (AAPHD@USC). The Pediatric Dentistry Selective is the longest-standing selective at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry. The mission of the Pediatric Dentistry Selective is to increase students' knowledge of pediatric dentistry and improve students' skills in treating pediatric patients. The Pediatric Dentistry Selective provides bi-monthly meetings covering literature reviews and abstracts of assigned articles related to pediatric dentistry. Throughout the semester, Pediatric Dentistry Selective students provide direct patient care at USC's pediatric dentistry clinic. Each student is assigned a patient and is responsible for the continuous care of his or her patient for the remainder of his or her time as a student at USC. Pediatric Dentistry Selective students also have the opportunity to observe pediatric dental patient care at affiliated hospitals and the USC graduate pediatric dental

clinic. The Pediatric Dentistry Selective is involved in community outreach events and has provided screenings and oral health instructions at local health fairs and limited dental care at local community centers such as the Ronald McDonald House. The Pediatric Dentistry Selective is working on expanding its outreach to additional community centers in Los Angeles.

The Pediatric Dentistry Study Club and the AAPHD at USC provide bi-monthly lunch and learn events in the topic of pediatric dentistry and public health. The invited speakers are distinguished pediatric dentists who share their knowledge and experience with attendees. The Pediatric Dentistry Study Club also hosts an annual hands-on workshop covering sealant placement on typodonts. In addition, both the Pediatric Dentistry Study Club and AAPHD at USC host entertaining activities to provide a fun, relaxed environment for dental students including creating balloon artwork and Christmas gingerbread homes for pediatric patients at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry. Moreover, QueenCare and USC Mobile Dental Clinic provide ample volunteer opportunities for USC students to gain hands-on experience with underserved

pediatric patients, focusing primarily on preventive care.

This year, the Pedo Study Club hosted several speakers including Dr. Fariborz Rodef, Dr. David Good, and Dr. Frank Enriquez, and USC senior dental students who recently accepted positions within pediatric dentistry residency programs. They spoke regarding a variety of pediatric dentistry related topics, including private practice and opening an office, behavior guidance, clinical pediatric dentistry, as well as pediatric dentistry residency programs and interviewing. The Pediatric Dentistry Selective hosted presentations on the Hall Technique, dental trauma and avulsion, anomalies of the developing dentition, AAPD Guideline of Periodontal Therapy, gingivitis, and periodontal disease, AAPD Restorative Guideline for Primary and Young Permanent Teeth, and management of the developing dentition and space management. The AAPHD at USC also hosted a lecture on early childhood caries.



Treasurer's Report

Don Schmitt, DDS, CSPD Treasurer



Just when I thought it was safe to go back in the water. Over the last few years, CSPD successfully transitioned from doing its own membership billing to using AAPD. This was not done without some trepidation, but

I am pleased to report it has been a success! The fiscal year was recently changed to July 1 through June 30. This was done to better match up with the new billing and membership cycle, which had to change with the transition to AAPD billing. With all that change behind us, I was ready to settle in for a smoother time financially speaking. Then the Annual Meeting, which is both our largest expense line and our largest revenue source, was moved from the spring to the fall, starting in 2018. The absence of an annual meeting in fiscal 2017-18 drastically changes the budget for the year.

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In the face of all this change, CSPD continues to be in sound financial health. The budget for fiscal 2017-18 calls for expenses of \$288,300 and income of \$284,220 for a loss of \$4,080. For comparison, last year's budget had expenses of \$449,310 and income of \$464,695. This year's budget is very

conservative on expected income and likely overestimates expenses. The budgeted loss is a worst-case scenario. Fortunately, CSPD has robust reserves to weather any loss this fiscal year. This budget underscores the necessity of a successful annual meeting to the long-term fiscal health of CSPD. As mentioned last year, the only drawback to AAPD handling the dues billing is the inability to list the CSPD Foundation on dues statements any longer. This is a definite concern for the leadership of CSPD and for our Foundation. The CSPD Foundation provides vital support to the residents and graduate programs and to CSPD itself. The Foundation supports the Warren Brandli Intern (WBI) program. Many of the WBI's have gone on to leadership positions in CSPD and into academic dentistry. The Foundation also underwrites the Santos Cortez Legislative Advocacy Interns. Advocacy on behalf of our profession and the children we serve is vital to the mission of CSPD. Please remember the Foundation in your charitable giving.

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The addition of SMA as our association management company (AMC) has been a tremendous benefit to our Society. Catherine Smith and her team have taken on a large portion of the administrative tasks that used to fall to the volunteer leadership. But as with anything in life, added benefits come with added costs. CSPD's leadership has worked to reduce costs and increase

non-dues revenue where possible. Online continuing education under the direction of Dr. Steven Niethamer is one area of significant membership benefit and non-dues revenue. Please visit the CSPD website and view some of the fabulous CE videos.

Reserves: CSPD's Policy and Procedure Manual calls for a Reserve Fund equal to an average of the last two years operating expenses. The current mandate amount is \$490,765. The Reserve Fund requirement has increased substantially over the past four years due to the increased operating expenses incurred with the addition of our association management company, Smith Moore & Associates, and the increasing size of CSPD. The reserve requirement will dip temporarily next year due to this fiscal year's smaller budget resulting from the lack of a spring annual meeting.

Investments: Following the Financial Policy outlined in the Policy and Procedure Manual, all CSPD's assets are in fixed return products. These include both savings and money market accounts. The Finance Committee regularly discusses the status of CSPD investments. Though the committee is disappointed in the paltry investment returns, it was determined that the safety and capital preservation of CSPD's assets is paramount.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your treasurer. If you have questions about the finances of our society please do not hesitate to contact me.

Don Schmitt, DDS, CSPD Treasurer

UCLA School of Dentistry

Student Activity Update for School Year 2016-2017

Over the past year, SCAAPD at UCLA has tried to expand our pediatric experience for our student body by increasing activities outside of the traditional student clinic

Together we volunteered at our annual Give Kids a Smile Day with faculty and residents. Some students provided dental care while others played educational activities with the children and their families while they were waiting to receive care. We helped children learn that the dental experience can be a fun one!

In addition, our community service chairs strengthened our relationship with Generation Her by providing oral hygiene instruction to their expecting mothers. They also organized a visit with a special needs

classroom at a local elementary school to provide oral hygiene instruction and gain experience interacting with special needs children.

Our research chair continued to support our Pediatric Journal Club. During the journal club, students volunteered to share a peer reviewed article and lead a discussion with attendees. In addition, over 15 students were matched with residents and faculty to be a part of their research teams.

We hosted University of Utah's, Dr. Taylor, to speak about her experience treating special needs children. In addition, we hosted a pediatric residency panel to provide pre-doctoral students with advice for applying to pediatric residency programs.

To promote community and morale, our social chairs planned our annual holiday party where teams of faculty, residents and students competed to make the most creative gingerbread house. We had a record amount of holiday grams sold to the student body to fundraise for our other various activities. We also celebrated our graduating seniors and this year's accomplishments with a special dinner.

Our highlight of the year was our trip to AAPD's Annual Session in Washington D.C. where 12 students attended lectures, mingled with residents and faculty, and explored the nation's capital. We enjoyed the camaraderie and adventures this year had to offer and can't wait for next year!



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Public Policy Advocate's Report

Legislative Bills of Interest to CSPD

Prepared for the California Society of Pediatric Dentistry August 20, 2017

Paul Reggiardo, DDS, CSPD Public Policy Advocate



CSPD follows a number of bills under consideration by the state legislature which potentially impact pediatric oral

health. Members having questions or wishing to comment on these or any other legislative matters are invited to contact CSPD's Public Policy Advocate, Dr. Paul Reggiardo, at reggiardo@prodigy.net.

AB 15 (Maienschein):

Denti-Cal: Reimbursement Rates.

The bill would have directed that Denti-Cal provider reimbursement rates for the 15 most common services be doubled beginning in the 2017-2018 fiscal year and that funds derived from the 2016 Proposition 56 Tobacco Tax Initiation be used to pay for the additional costs.

CSPD Position: Support

Outcome: Died in Senate Appropriations Committee.

Comment: Proposition 56 allocates a specified percentage of tobacco tax revenues to the Department of Health Care Services to increase funding for existing health care services which increase access and improve quality under the Medi-Cal program. This bill would be consistent with these objectives. Passage was always unlikely.

AB 224 (Thurmond):

Pediatric Dental Sedation.

This bill would have establish new definitions and revised permitting structure for the administration of deep sedation/general

anesthesia, moderate sedation, and minimal sedation for patients under 13 years of age and require an analysis of outcomes and complications related to dental sedation.

CSPD Position: Watch

Outcome: Removed from consideration in this session of the legislature by the author.

Comment: A provision to require a separate anesthesia provider for children 7 years of age or younger from that of the operating dentist included in earlier renderings of the bill is absent from this version. The author proposed in hearing that the dedicated anesthesia monitor for patients under 7 years of age be a dentist holding a general anesthesia permit, a physician anesthesiologist, a clinical nurse specialist with pediatric critical care or recovery room experience, a registered nurse anesthetist, or a nurse practitioner with pediatric critical care or recovery room experience. That provision was not accepted by the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee.

AB 1277 (Daly):

Dental Waterlines.

The bill directs the Dental Board of California to adopt final regulations by 12/31/18 to require that water or other irrigates used for procedures that expose the dental pulp to be sterile or contain recognized disinfecting or antibacterial properties.

CSPD Position: Support

Outcome: Under consideration by the Senate. If passed, will go to the Governor for signature.

Comment: The bill arises out of the cases of mycobacterium abscesses contracted at a dental clinic in Anaheim last year. An earlier provision that would have authorized the Board to "proactively" inspect the premises of a licensed dentist in the absence of a complaint has been removed.

AB 1707 (ASB B&P):

Registered Dental Assistants: Practical Examination.

Under existing law, the suspension of the RDA practical examination mandated by the Office of Professional Examination Services expires July 1, 2017. This bill extends that suspension until January 1, 2020, or until the board determines an alternative way to measure competency, whichever occurs first.

CSPD Position: Passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor into law 8/7/17

Outcome: Under consideration by the Senate. If passed, will go to the Governor for signature.

Comment: The bill will serve as an interim solution until the Board can resolve the issue of the RDA practical examination explained more fully under the Report of the Actions of the Dental Board of California located elsewhere in The Bulletin. It becomes effective immediately.

SB 220 (Pan):

Medi-Cal Children's Health Advisory Panel.

This bill would make minor changes to the composition of the three Medi-Cal parent members, create member term limits, and provide the ability to remove a panel member for cause.

CSPD Position: Support

Outcome: Under consideration by the Assembly. If passed, will go to the Governor for signature.

Comment: These are changes that do nothing to improve the structure or effectiveness of the panel.

SB 379 (Atkins):

Oral Health Assessments. The bill would require the Department of Education to consult with the State Dental Director in strengthening the reporting requirements of the school-entrance Oral Health Assessment on caries experience and centralizing the reporting of data.

CSPD Position: Support

Outcome: Under consideration by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

Comment: The reporting on caries experience is intended as an ongoing measure of the effectiveness of one area (reduction in childhood caries) of the State Dental Plan.

SB 601 (Glazer):

Dentistry: Anesthesia and Sedation.

The bill revises sedation definitions and the requirements for the administration of all levels of sedation in the dental setting. Requires at least three people present when deep sedation/general anesthesia is provided to a patient under 7 years of age, with one person solely dedicated to monitoring the patient.

CSPD Position: Support as amended

Outcome: Under consideration by the Assembly. If passed, will go to the Governor for signature.

Comment: The bill most closely mirrors AAPD Guidelines regarding all levels

and all aspects of dental sedation. CSPD created and required amendments which would establish a single standard for all patients under 13 years of age (instead of a less stringent requirement for 7 – 13 years of age) under moderate sedation, established personnel requirements for moderate sedation consistent with AAPD guidelines, and removed the prohibition that minimal sedation be limited to the administration of a single drug in addition to local anesthesia and a mix of oxygen and nitrous oxide. These three changes (and others in subsequent modifications) bring the bill closer to AAPD guidelines and allow a SUPPORT position.



We Want You!



The CSPD Leadership Development Committee Announcement for 2017-18: Warren Brandli Internship & Santos Cortez Graduate Student Legislative Advocacy Internship Applications Now Being Accepted

The CSPD Leadership Development Committee is now accepting applications for these two very prestigious programs, designed to identify and empower future leaders for both CSPD and organized dentistry. Pediatric dental residents training in programs in California are encouraged to learn more about these internships on the CSPD website at <http://www.cspd.org/?page=WBI>. The application deadline is November 9th for both programs. Residents are encouraged to discuss their interest with their program directors or with Leadership Development Committee Chair, Dr. Mark Lisagor at marklisagor@gmail.com. The CSPD Foundation supports these internships.

Warren Brandli Leadership Intern Program

The Warren Brandli Leadership Intern Program is named in honor of Dr. Warren Brandli who served as president of the California Society Pediatric Dentistry from 1986-1987. He was on the Board of Trustees of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry from 1988-1991 and was on staff at UCLA School of Dentistry from 1969-2001. He passed away on October 9, 2002. Dr. Brandli was a visionary leader who was highly respected by his peers and whose dedication to our specialty and to CSPD was inspirational to us all. The CSPD Foundation funds the leadership training and mentorship for young pediatric dentists to develop the future leaders in our profession.

Qualifications of Applicants:

- Applicants who are interested in leadership development.
- Pediatric dental residents who demonstrate an interest in CSPD governance and leadership or
- A recently graduated Pediatric Dentist (within their first 5 years of completing their residency) who resides and practices in California.
- Interested in learning about CSPD governance with a goal to serve in CSPD volunteer leadership.
- Current member of CSPD.

Santos Cortez Graduate Student Legislative Advocacy Intern Program

In 2010, the Leadership Development Committee developed and implemented a program to support three current California Pediatric

Dentistry residents in training, to attend and participate in the AAPD Public Policy Advocacy Conference (previously known as "Lobby Days") in Washington D.C. The purpose is to have our members participate in strengthening the voice of dentistry on behalf of children's oral health at the national level. Several pediatric dentistry programs have participated in this conference and attendees have found it to be a positive introduction to children's oral health advocacy at the national level. The residents have appreciated the generous donation of time and the kind support of "senior, seasoned advocates" who arrange for and pay for a group dinner to sponsor the residents. This has been a good way for them to network, discuss the issues of the day, and strategize for the Hill visits.

After a morning of instruction and discussion of current pertinent AAPD legislative issues, mentors and residents are transported to congressional offices to keep their previously set-up appointments. The mentors lead the discussions and engage the residents to participate in presenting the talking points to the representatives and/or their staff. Over twenty-eight congressional appointments and visits were made with the mentors and residents.

Pediatric dentistry residents in California programs are encouraged to apply for these internships to gain valuable insight and mentorship in the advocacy process, both in Sacramento and Washington, DC. Those selected for this program will spend four days in Washington, joining residents and AAPD members from all over the country in an orientation workshop, briefings on children's oral health policy and participation in visits with legislators from California. A team of CSPD member volunteer mentors will accompany the interns. Last year's mentorship team included Drs. Ray Stewart, Mark Lisagor, Shina Patel, Paul Reggiardo, Francisco-Ramos Gomez, and Jim Crall.

The interns will also participate in CSPD Advocacy Day in Sacramento. Hosted by CDA, the day includes briefings and lunch, followed by appointments with legislators to discuss critical issues in California, again accompanied by a team of CSPD members as mentors.

Calling All CSPD Members

Want to Get Involved?

As a professional organization, CSPD is heavily dependent on volunteers. By serving on a committee, you will have the chance to support this great organization, acquire wonderful experience in some aspects of non-profit volunteerism, and get to work with awesome colleagues, while helping CSPD continue to be the voice of pediatric dentistry in California.

The opportunities are almost limitless. Please contact us on the CSPD website at <http://www.cspd.org/general/?type=CONTACT>. Tell us how you'd like to help, or simply ask us to get in touch with you to discuss the possibilities. Someone from our Leadership Development Committee will take it from there. This could be the start of something Big!

Application for CSPD Elected Officer Positions

CSPD is a volunteer led organization in continuous need for enthusiastic, dedicated volunteer leaders willing to help support the profession of pediatric dentistry and meet our organization's vision of optimal oral health for California's pediatric population.

The Leadership Development Committee is now actively identifying and recruiting potential candidates for available openings in the elected officer and board of director positions.

If interested, please complete and submit a brief application at <http://www.cspd.org/?page=VolunteerLeadership>

The deadline for applications is Sunday, October 1, 2017



Culture, Vision and Mission

Jonathon Lee, DDS

In 2014, CSPD updated its Mission from:

To serve its membership and the public by advocating optimal oral health of infants, children and adolescents.

To: To help members excel in the practice of pediatric dentistry and advocate for quality oral health of infants, children and adolescents.

Its Vision is: *Exemplary oral health for all infants, children and adolescents.*

Just as our Mission statement states, CSPD, as well as our District- WSPD and our National Organization- AAPD are here to help members excel in the practice of pediatric dentistry and advocate for quality pediatric oral health.

Organized Pediatric Dentistry has been at the forefront promoting exemplary oral pediatric health and establishing guidelines and policy. Today, however, healthcare including dentistry finds itself in a flux with increasing influences from third parties. To maintain relevance and have a seat at the table, Pediatric Dentists and our Pediatric Dental Membership Organizations must be active and vigilant to both what is happening now and what may be happening down the road.

Thus as mentioned in my last President-Elects Column, AAPD recently revised its Strategic Plan. It also updated its Vision and Mission

Statements. First thing you will notice is the emergence of a shorter Vision. Very simply, it is based on the idea that the entire organization including its members will be able to easily articulate what the Vision and Mission are. To that end, the simplest articulation is one that resonates, is understood, and finally embraced by the largest segment of both the membership and the public.

AAPD's Updated Vision is: *Optimal oral health for all children.*

Although the terms: infants, adolescents and those with special needs are no longer listed, AAPD is certainly not intending to lose the entire swatch of "children" over their lifetime but simply consolidating to a statement that easily resonates.

Note that our expanded definition of Pediatric Dentistry includes infants, adolescents and those with special healthcare needs. Again they are not lost because they are firmly in the definition of our specialty.

AAPD's updated mission is: *To advance optimal oral health for all children by delivering outstanding service that meets and exceeds the needs and expectations of our members, partners, and stakeholders.*

AAPD has been responsive to the membership. For example, the membership

expressed interest in the current status of the Pediatric Dental Workforce. Annually, we know that the Specialty of Pediatric Dentistry continues to grow with approximately 400-500 new Pediatric Dentists joining the national workforce. Is creating more residency programs the answer to improving access and quality of care? We do not know. Thus our parent organization, AAPD, recently commissioned a study to examine the Pediatric Dental Workforce.

Culture is the current Buzzword for businesses and organizations. And as such AAPD adopted its First Cultural Statement:

Our members put children first in everything they do, and at the highest standards of ethics and patient safety. As such, the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry is THE leading national advocate dedicated exclusively to children's oral health. We are the embodiment of our members' expertise as the big authorities on little teeth.

So what does this all mean? At CSPD's Last Board Meeting in July, a motion was put forth to examine CSPD's current Vision and Mission Statement to see if it needs revising and to the adoption of a Cultural Statement.

What do you think? I would be interested in our membership's feedback. Please feel free to contact me.

Report of the Meeting of the Dental Board of California

Prepared for the California Society of Pediatric Dentistry

Paul Reggiardo, DDS

The Dental Board of California met August 10-11, 2017 in Burlingame. The following report summarizes actions and issues coming before the Board pertinent to pediatric oral health. Members having questions or comments should contact CSPD's Public Policy Advocate, Dr. Paul Reggiardo, at Reggiardo@prodigy.net

CURES 2.0 Registration

The Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES) 2.0 is a database of Schedule II, III, and IV controlled substance and prescriptions dispensed in California. The goal of the CURES 2.0 system is the reduction of prescription drug abuse and diversion without affecting legitimate prescription practice or patient care. Legislation passed in California in 2016 requires a health care practitioner to consult the CURES database to review a patient's controlled substance history before prescribing a Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance and at least once every 4 months thereafter if the substance remains part of the treatment of the patient.

All prescribers are required to submit a CURES application. Registration requirements are not based on dispensing, prescribing, or administering activities but, rather, solely on possession of a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Controlled Substance Registration Certificate. The Dental Board's Enforcement Division will begin to include compliance with this requirement as part of its routine inspection activity when a complaint is under investigation.

Comment: The Board reports that 24,633 California dentists are currently licensed to prescribe controlled substances under a DEA certificate. Only 7,882 have registered with CURES. A link to CURES 2.0 registration is available on the first page of Dental Board's website (<http://www.dbc.ca.gov/>).

Suspension of the RDA Practical Examination

Acting on the findings of an analysis by the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) of the Department of Consumer Affairs, the Dental Board in April voted to suspend administration of the Registered Dental Assistant practical examination as a condition for licensure. The analysis concluded that the practical examination failed to meet psychometric standards of reliability, test security and standardization while also questioning the practical's necessity, accuracy and content validity. Specifically, OPES identified inconsistencies in different test site conditions, deficiencies in scoring criteria, poor calibration of examiners, and the lack of a clear definition of minimum acceptable competence. OPES estimated a low risk of harm to the public from the suspension of the examination because of other measures in place (i.e., passing a written examination and the fact that RDAs are under general or direct supervision of a licensed dentist). During the suspension of the practical examination, the Board will continue to license applicants who have not taken, or have not successfully passed, the practical examination, so long as all other requirements of licensure, including successful completion of the RDA Written Examination and the RDA Law & Ethics Examination, are met. Legislation (AB 1707) signed by the Governor in August extends the authority of the Board to suspend the practical examination to January 1, 2020, at which time a practical examination or an alternative means of measuring competency would be implemented.

Comment: The Board now needs to determine if a revised practical examination will be part of the RDA licensing process in the future (see next topic).

Alternative Methods to Measure Competency for RDA Licensure

Acting on a request of the Dental Board of California, the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) conducted a comprehensive review of options to evaluate the competency of RDA candidates to perform the clinical procedures necessary for licensure. After consideration of numerous options, the OPES recommended the Board develop a licensing model that includes a combination of certified course work and dentist verification of minimal competency. The OPES was insistent that development of a valid, reliable, and legally defensible examination would be inordinately costly for both the Board and the candidate and fraught with ongoing problems. It cited the mandate from the California "Little Hoover Commission" to reduce all unnecessary barriers to licensure under the Boards and Bureaus of the Department of Consumer Affairs. After lengthy discussion, the Dental Board of California voted to accept the OPES recommendation to eliminate the RDA practical examination and to appoint a subcommittee to explore and develop an alternative to RDA licensure after January 1, 2020.

Comment: The OPES reported that practical examinations for dental assisting licensure are not used except in two states, one of which is California. It further asserted that reducing this "barrier to licensure" for RDA candidates would increase the likelihood of reciprocity with other states and ease the transition of RDAs trained in the military to working in civilian dental practices. It is presumed that an "on the job training" pathway will be maintained.

Combining the RDA Written Examination and Law & Ethics Examination

At its December 2016 meeting, the Dental Board and the Dental Assisting Council discussed combining the Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) general written examination and the RDA law and ethics examination into a single test to ease the path to licensure for RDA candidates. Such action was supported by the 2016 RDA Occupational Analysis by the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES). Under a combined examination, candidates would only have to schedule and pay for one written examination instead of scheduling and paying for two such challenges. The examination plan is now available on the Board's web site at http://www.dbc.ca.gov/formspubs/rda_law_ethics_combined.pdf

Comment: The Board estimates the single examination will be offered beginning May 2018. The change will not likely, in itself, increase pass rates (which are now only 62% for the RDA written exam and 65% for the RDA law and ethics exam), but at least will ease the candidate pathway.



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UOP School of Dentistry

Student Activity Update for School Year 2016-2017

We know how much children love the holidays. Annually, University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry Pediatric Dentistry Study Club organizes the US Marine Corps Reserve Toys For Tots Drive where we collect a variety of toys to give back to our community. We donated these new unwrapped toys to low-income children in the community with the goal of delivering a message of hope that will help them become responsible, productive and patriotic citizens.

Every year, University of Pacific

Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry holds Give Kids a Smile. Many of our Pediatric Dentistry Study Club members dedicated their time providing oral hygiene and nutritional information, while also providing free dental check ups and oral health screenings to over 200 low-income children.

At each quarterly meeting, a member from the study club volunteers to discuss and present on an AAPD article. This allows the members to be informed with the latest updates and

topics occurring in pediatric dentistry.

We were fortunate to have third year students who were newly admitted into pediatric programs present on the application process and their experience with interviews. They talked about what to look for in programs and formed a timeline to keep students motivated and on track with their future applications.

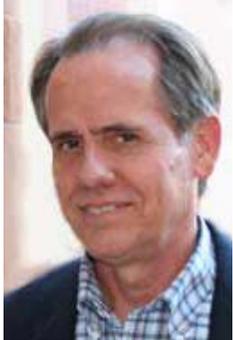
Also, we wish the best of luck to the UOP DDS Class of 2017 in their Pediatric Dental Residency Programs!



Website Notes

Are CSPD OCE Programs Acceptable for Recertification of your Dental License and Sedation Certificate?

Steve Niethamer, DDS



CSPD still receives questions about whether CSPD Online Continuing Education (OCE) programs are qualified to renew our California dental

licenses and Oral Conscious Sedation of Minors Certificates. I understand why this happens; our licenses and these certificates determine our members' livelihoods. We don't want to make mistakes with something so important. So, I have decided to review information about CSPD's OCE and the California dental license and certificate renewals.

CSPD is an ADA CERP Recognized Provider



The most important fact is that The California Society of Pediatric Dentistry (CSPD) is an ADA CERP Recognized Provider Approved by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. This means that CSPD has met all of the standards needed to qualify as a CE provider through the ADA CERP Extended Approval Process (EAP). It also means that CSPD's live and online CE programs are accepted by nearly all dental organizations and state boards for recertification as permitted by those organizations – which includes the Dental Board of California (DBC). The DBC regulations state that:

(1) Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 1016, licensees who attend continuing education courses given by providers approved by the American Dental Association's Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) or the Academy of General Dentistry's

Program Approval for Continuing Education (PACE) and who obtain a certification of attendance from the provider or sponsor shall be given credit towards his or her total continuing education requirement for renewal of his or her license with the exception of mandatory continuing education courses, if the course meets the requirements of continuing education set forth in this section.

In addition to being an ADA CERP provider, CSPD, under the umbrella of AAPD, also provides actual California CE units through the AAPD. This is where some of the confusion originates. AAPD is the actual CA CE provider and CSPD uses their provider information on our certificates. This means that CSPD is not listed by the CA DBC as a provider of CE, but the AAPD is listed. Hence, we regularly get inquiries about whether our OCE is accepted by the DBC.

To reduce this confusion, the CSPD is now applying to become a primary CA CE provider and in the future will be listed on the DBC website as a provider.

OCE Sedation Programs are qualified to recertify the Oral Conscious Sedation Certificate

Members are sometimes also confused when looking for CE units that satisfy the recertification for oral conscious sedation of minors requirements. Companies and schools promote one-day programs to recertify and sometimes three day programs for initial certification. These programs for initial certification must be judiciously approved by the DBC. The DBC, at the moment, has the following regulation about what CE qualifies for recertification:

A certificate holder shall be required to complete a minimum of 7 hours of approved courses of study related to oral conscious sedation of minor patients as a condition of

certification renewal as an oral conscious sedation provider.

Live programs are great ways to devote a weekend to get CE units while networking with your colleagues but also involve spending considerable amounts of money for time off, travel, hotel rooms and meals. The alternative online programs allow our members, while viewing programs, to pause, back-up, repeat and really study what lecturers are saying, for a much lower fee. However, both methods work.

What Else Do You Need to Know?

These online programs cannot makeup over 50% of the 50 total CE units used to recertify. Also required are CPR, Infection Control and California Dental Law courses. The Infection Control and CA Dental Law course must be approved by the DBC.

CSPD Gets Phished

Some bad internet scammers took our president's information from the website and used it to create a poorly written email that asked some of our membership to comment on some bogus strict laws going into effect on August 9. The information was contained in an attached PDF. It turned out that this PDF was downloadable from a "Drop Box" webpage setup to harvest login credentials. Within a short time, SMA's Director of Internet Technology, Justin Lewis, sent out an email cautioning all of our members of this targeted attack by a criminal element. It warned our members not to open the email or follow its link. If anyone did give private information, they should immediately change their passwords for all accounts.

This email was reported to appropriate authorities and our website in the future will not be allowing any email addresses to be viewable by nonmembers. Let's all be careful.

Steve Niethamer, DDS, Website Editor

UCSF School of Dentistry

Student Activity Update for School Year 2016-2017

2016-17 was an eventful academic year for the Student Society of Pediatric Dentistry (SSPD) at UCSF. We held our first evening social with residents in May 2016 and again in December 2016 to introduce pre-doctoral students to the specialty. Residents and students bonded over food and conversation, fostering long-term mentorships that will provide students with support and guidance throughout the application process and the beginning of their pediatric dentistry careers. In the spirit of the holidays, we collected over 100 donated toys and sang Christmas carols for children at the Eastmont Wellness Center Dental Clinic.

We also restarted our pre-doctoral journal club elective in January 2017, where groups of students presented various pediatric topics each week, including treatment planning, restorative techniques, commonly used pediatric medications, and trauma to the primary dentition. In March 2017, we hosted our 2nd Annual Pediatric Research Symposium where pre-doctoral students presented their research and received feedback from pediatric dentistry faculty.

In addition, SSPD organized numerous outreach and enrichment opportunities for our members. SSPD members had a blast

volunteering at community health fairs throughout the Bay Area and at mid-day tooth brushing events where we educated teachers and staff at elementary schools on proper oral hygiene for children. We also hosted monthly Lunch-and-Learns to discuss clinical case presentations and topics like practice management, as well as a residency application workshop and a post-Match panel with fourth year students. We are so excited to expand our activities in the coming year and to spread the joy of pediatric dentistry to more pre-doctoral students at UCSF!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CSPD Mid-Year Meeting

April 21, 2018
San Francisco, CA

2018 CSPD & WSPD Annual Meeting

October 11-14, 2018
La Jolla, CA

Registration for additional courses can be found online. Visit www.cspd.org to register online!

SIGNIFICANT APPROVED MOTIONS

Motion 7.15.2017:3 Jonathon Lee: Move to accept professional services agreement for meeting planning with Smith Moore & Associates.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:4 Tavana: Move to hire Richardson & Co, LLP for a full audit for the year ending June 30, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:5 Dr. Jonathon Lee: Move that the Board of Directors read AAPD 2017-2-2- Strategic Plan.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:6 Okawachi: Move to approve Jac Pederson for CSPD Life Membership.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:7 Mansour: Approval of the recommended changes to the Policy and Procedure Manual to remove Editor Stipend.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:8 Mansour: Approval of the recommended changes to the Policy and Procedure manual that all meetings will take into consideration religious holidays when planning and scheduling.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:9 Hsieh: Move that the Annual Meeting Committee look into Anaheim and Disneyland for 2020 meeting location.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:10 Hsieh: Move to change the leadership application deadline to October 1st.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 7.15.2017:11 Hsieh: Leadership development committee to evaluate expectations of new board members and create a job description for Board of Directors members.

MOTION CARRIED.

CSPD Professional Opportunities



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Have you been thinking about hiring an associate, but just aren't sure where to look? Or are you finishing your residency soon, and aren't sure where you'd like to live and practice? The answer is right on the CSPD website. To look at these opportunities and others, go to www.cspd.org

Sincerely, Don Schmitt, DDS

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