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FINAL MESSAGE

Dr. Jonathon E. Lee

Dear Fellow Members,

As your 44th President, this is my last official President's column. This administrative year, we had the special opportunity to have Dr. Lonnie Lovingier serve as our fifth Executive Director and improve the operation of California Society of Pediatric Dentistry (CSPD). Lonnie and I have been so touched by your appreciation and thanks over the past year. Now, it is our turn to express our gratitude.

"Our Society depends on member participation and it depends on its leadership to listen to our members. At the end of the day we all share the same proud title: Member Pediatric Dentist."

We have listened to you- our fellow members, our association management company, and our fellow CSPD volunteer leaders, partners and stakeholders. It has been our conversations with you that have kept us honest and motivated. Lonnie and I communicate on a daily basis. It has been my pleasure having served as your 44th President and having Lonnie serve as your fifth Executive Director. It is with sadness that I announce that Lonnie will be retiring as Executive Director this spring. However, he will remain with CSPD as an unpaid mentor and transition advisor to the next Executive Director and to the next President.

Coincidentally, both Lonnie and I first came to organized dentistry when we were in our early 20s. I remember getting that first email from Dr. Paul Reggiardo at my @ucla.edu account recruiting me to be on the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry's New Dentist Committee. Early on in my career as I was trying to figure out who I was as a pediatric dentist and searching for a purpose to my life, it was evident that opportunity and change only happens when ordinary people get involved and come together for the common good. This was also the calling of our founding charter members who came together to establish CSPD as the organization that would represent the specialty of pediatric dentistry in the State

of California, advocate for optimal oral health for California's children, and serve

our members. It is that common good that rallies the Past Presidents to meet every year for breakfast at our annual meeting to offer their mentorship. And it is that common good that energizes the volunteers who have kept this organization alive through both good and tough times. After two decades in pediatric dentistry, I still believe this.

Our Founders gave us a wonderful gift. For 45 years, our members' call to organize and to advocate, has given work and purpose to each generation of pediatric dentists. This is what led leaders like Dr. Tom Barber, Dr. Paul Reggiardo, Dr. Mel Rowan, Dr. Roland Hansen, Dr. Steve Niethemer, Dr. Lonnie Lovingier and many others to devote their lives to CSPD. Concurrently, this is why people are stepping up to the plate to serve. We now have our newly appointed Public Policy Advocate (PPA), Natalie Mansour, and our current volunteer leadership.

Organized pediatric dentistry in California in the CSPD has been exceptional and has served as a model across the country. We have shown the capacity to face challenges and to adapt to them in order to make our profession and organization better. The organizational work of CSPD has often been challenging and sometimes contentious. But, in the end, our hard work and dedication to our profession has always led CSPD towards forward progress and expanding influence.

Last spring, what if I had told you that CSPD would have to quickly transition to a new PPA, stand at opposite sides with the California Dental Association and then have to reboot our relationship with them? What if I had told you that we would need to open up a new chapter in Sedation Policy Development, restore our Spring Annual Meeting at minimal cost and have two Annual Meetings six months apart, five board meetings in one presidential year, and a complete overhaul of the CSPD Administrative Policy and Procedure Manual? What if I had told you that we would need to find solutions to fix the inconsistencies in our membership categories and associated CSPD directory, and to look at the financial sustainability and dues structure of our organization? You might have said that our sights were set a little too high.

Well, we accomplished all of that! You- the members spoke, wrote letters and emails, and addressed issues that needed attention. You were the change! It has been because of you that by almost every measure, CSPD is in a better and stronger place.

In April, our members will witness a hallmark of our organization that has happened only five times - the transfer from one President and Executive Director to the next. Lonnie and I have committed to the Board that our administration would ensure the smoothest possible transition. It is up to all of us to make sure CSPD can help us meet the many challenges we still face. We remain one of the largest and one of the most respected organizations in Pediatric Dentistry. Our energy and drive, our diversity and openness, our boundless capacity for risk and reinvention mean that the future is ours to shape.

But that potential will be realized only if we listen openly while putting the society first.

Today, we have a Board of Directors ready to fulfill that potential and are encouraged to openly share their perspectives. For example, at the past Board of Directors meeting, we finally put into place what was approved in 2015. We have formalized the policies and procedures of our long-standing tradition of the "Past Presidents' Advisory Group Breakfast Meeting." This will continue to provide mentorship and institutional memory to CSPD's current administration. The Past Presidents has been the group that I relied upon during this past year.

Leadership does not require or benefit from neither uniformity nor group-think. Our founders quarreled and compromised and expected us to do the same. However, they also knew that what the society requires is a basic sense of solidarity. This means that for all our outward differences, we can agree to disagree because we are all in this together. We rise or fall as one.

There have been moments throughout our history that had threatened to fragment that solidarity. The change of the annual meeting to the fall has been example of those moments. Today, the challenges come from increased competition, growing influence of third-party payer; practice model changes and the demise of expertise. These forces have tested our practices, prosperity, and our specialty. And how we meet these challenges will determine our ability to serve the kids and to practice our specialty. In other words, how we meet these challenges will determine our future.

Going forward, we must create opportunity for all members to contribute and for leadership to listen and have open dialogue. As I mentioned before, change only happens when ordinary people get involved and come together for the common good. As Atticus Finch said in *To Kill a Mockingbird*, "You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view...until you climb into his skin and walk around in it."

Our Society depends on member participation and it depends on its leadership to listen to our members. At the end of the day we all share the same proud title: Member Pediatric Dentist. Our Society needs you over the full span of a lifetime. If you see something that needs a change, start a grass roots organization. If you are disappointed in leadership, volunteer for office. Show up. Dive in. Persevere. Sometimes you'll win. Sometimes you'll lose. There will be times when the process disappoints you. But for those of us fortunate enough to have been a part of this work and to see it up close and personal, it can also energize and inspire. And more often than not, your faith in Organized Dentistry will be confirmed.

To Lonnie Lovingier- you have been a great Executive Director. I love you and Jan like family, and your friendship is a gift I will treasure for the rest of my life. I hope you get some well-deserved rest with your family.

To my Board of Directors, Elected and Appointed Officers, Interns, Chairs and Staff- I have learned from you and thrived from your energy. When times became tough and frustrating, you never let it get the better of you because you put the Society and its Membership first. I am proud of our team and know you will continue to make a difference.

To the Membership- You are the best supporters that anyone could ever hope for, and I will forever be grateful. You have influenced positive changes in our profession and in our Society.

I will leave this Presidency with good feelings. I know our work has not only helped so many children and our members, but it has also inspired so many Pediatric Dentists outside of our state, such as our colleagues in Mississippi and the Western District. It is comforting to believe you can make a difference and create something meaningful and impactful.

My fellow members, it has been an honor to serve you. I will be right there with you, not as a Past President, but as a Member. For now, I do have one final request as your President. I ask for you to make a difference.

Thank you,
Jonathon Everett Lee, D.D.S.
CSPD Member



BEGINNINGS AND ENDINGS

— Dr. Lonnie Lovingier

As time passes, we can look back at difficult events in our lives and recognize how we grew through those trials. This time too will pass. Even for only one year as Executive Director, I am grateful.

It was a Thursday, about the middle of December 1974. Jan and I had recently finished my pediatric dental program that summer. It was a drizzly rainy day as I drove from the Santa Ana Assistance League Dental Clinic. I worked in that clinic Thursday mornings for a few years, as well as in Dr. Mel Rowan's office a couple of days a week. For the previous three months I had been working with my cousin to build out our first office. We cut the concrete, did all the framing, drywall, and electrical; I laid out all the plumbing joints, but had a family friend solder them. It took him one entire night. We built the cabinetry in my cousin's garage. My sister made some cute western curtains and smocks out of cartoon character material. Now we were about to open our practice cold. We had no idea what we were doing; we were just guessing our way through decisions. We had no money and no patients.

Earlier that month we tried to behave like an established practice; we held a staff meeting with just Jan and me. First, since Christmas was coming, we planned our office party. We drew names and, of course, I lost and had to buy a gift. We discussed our upcoming opening day of the practice. We role-played and discussed what was going to happen. We planned our approach, and reviewed our schedule. We had been taking appointments for about 4-6 weeks; our appointment book was a spiral notebook. I am sure we had other patients scheduled somewhere, but for our first day we had one family with three kids, two older boys and their younger

pistol of a sister named Angie, maybe 10, 8 and 6. I remember them very well, but for this article I will call them the Brandenburg's.

The big moment had come. I rushed to the office only to find it locked. Gosh, the Brandenburg's would be coming soon; where was my wife, (my receptionist)?! I can remember rushing through the office, turning on lights and setting up trays. I just knew I would forget some things. I was so nervous I did not notice Jan was lying on the back office floor in tears. Being the perfect sensitive caring husband since high school, I said the only logical thing. I stepped over her and said "Jan, you can't be lying on the floor crying; we have our first patients due any minute, better to go home if you're hurting that much, otherwise it will look like we've been fighting."



The Brandenburg's arrived a little early. The office was in a plaza called the Wild West Plaza; so, of course, the décor was a little western. It had an entry onto a boardwalk with a saloon-type look. There were swinging saloon doors between the open bay and the reception room. So, it was easy to raise my voice to say hello to Mrs. Brandenburg and the kids from the open bay.

"I'll be right there in just a minute, Mrs. Brandenburg," I said. They sat down, but Angie was already running back and forth through the swinging doors. I walked out and handed a clipboard to Mrs. Brandenburg with a contact information page, which was already started by Jan, but required confirmation and a health history page too. That was about it in those days; insurance was rare; we'd never heard of HIPPA or all the stuff we do today. I explained a bit about what we were going to do in the way of radiographs, prophylaxis and fluoride application. The fee was probably about 8-10 dollars per child. But mostly I found myself apologizing for having no receptionist; it was just me. I found myself telling Mrs. Brandenburg about me and Jan and our history.

I had taken radiographs and was in the dark room when the office phone rang. After the first or second ring, Angie was trying to get into the dark room; I held my foot against the door to keep it closed; I was deep into the development process. Angie was yelling through the door, "Dr. Lovey". (She never did get the name Dr. Lovingier.) "Dr. Lovey, the phone is ringing!" Finally, I said "Angie, can you have your mother answer it?" Sure enough she did. She took the name, number and a little information and said I would call back. Later she explained to me that my neighbor had taken my wife to the hospital. As it turns out Jan was passing a kidney stone. We had just moved to Mission Viejo a week or two earlier. We didn't know anyone yet. That's how we met our neighbor and our first patients. The Brandenburg's grew up through our practice and as with many patients, became friends.

Why am I telling you this story? By the time this Bulletin reaches you I am sure everyone is aware that I am not able to continue as the CSPD Executive Director. I would rather write an article about my first day of practice than one about having to leave this position. I am really disappointed that has to be the case, but I am convinced the decision is the correct one. As time passes, we can look back at difficult events in our lives and recognize how we grew through those trials. This time too will pass. Even for only one year as Executive Director, I am grateful. I got to work with some really wonderful people. I wish to thank the members of the CSPD for all the wonderful friendships and memories, and for the honor and privilege of serving you. I would like to thank everyone individually including those at Smith Moore and Associates. It has been a tremendous experience and opportunity to be able to learn from and work with Dr. Jonathon Lee; he is incredibly resourceful and knowledgeable. We will remain Eagle Scout brothers forever. May God Bless each and every one of you.



ENJOY MAGICAL MOMENTS

— Dr. Oariona Lowe - Annual Meeting Chair



Early bird registration for the CSPD/ WSPD Spring Annual Scientific Session and Annual Meeting is now available online. Join us April 4-7, 2019 at the Grand Californian Hotel and Spa in Disneyland, Anaheim, CA. Bring the family! Enjoy Magical Moments while celebrating with colleagues and family, and rekindle friendships while learning from experts.

Earn up to 22 Continuing Education credits during your visit to the Magical Kingdom... The academic course line-up begins with an update on the current California Sedation Legislation and Analysis of recent Sedation Tragedies which is planned for Friday. Lectures will be presented by Jonathon Lee, DDS, Stephen Long, MD, Edwin Zinman, DDS, JD, and Steven Yun, MD. On Saturday morning, Ms. Anna Gross and Soroush Zaghi MD, will speak on Myofunctional Therapy and Sleep Disordered Breathing, Pediatric Airway Health and Dental Perspectives. The Dentist Insurance Company -TDIC will lecture on Risk management Challenges for the Dental Team on Saturday afternoon. All TDIC and prospective new policyholders attending, will be offered a 5% discount on all policy renewals. Savor a parfait or a delicious, warm pastry with a cup of coffee while listening to our Sunday morning Poster Presentations. Following the poster session, Dr. Jeanette MacLean will speak on "Less is More: Minimally Invasive Treatment Options for Enamel Caries and Defects".

For those of you who need to certify or renew certification, a PALS course is offered on Thursday afternoon. Sign-up early, the course is filling up fast!

Fun and Exciting social activities are being planned. New Dentists, reserve your spot early and join us for a Magical Happy Hour in Downtown Disney. Space is limited. Refreshments and a special presentation for Dr. Paul Reggiardo is planned for Friday evening. **A Special GALA Social Hour in the Brisas Courtyard featuring a Jazz Trio and Disney characters will take place on Saturday night.** Special moments in the "Happiest Place on Earth" await you with Stormtroopers from Star Wars and Chewbacca. Take great photo shoots with Disney characters and enjoy the great Southern California Spring weather while renewing friendships and spending family time. Dine at the elegant Napa Rose Restaurant and enjoy breakfast in the Storytellers Café with Mickey. Remember, guests of the Disneyland Resort hotels are eligible for an Extra Magic Hour. Visit Disneyland on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays and check out Disney California Adventure on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays up to one hour prior to regular park opening.

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NEW DENTIST FOCUS GROUP RESULTS

The Membership Services Committee conducted an informal poll of a small focus group of New Dentists this past fall to assess their interest in Annual Meeting activities targeted specifically for practitioners in their first ten years of practice.

Many expressed an interest in a track of courses that focused on practice management, business, and financial planning. Partnerships, associate opportunities, and purchasing a practice with the associated financial implications also ranked high in interest.

Several of the respondents were enthusiastically about attending a relaxed, fun social networking activity with other early career pediatric dentists such as a happy hour in an off-site location. Others mentioned bowling or hanging out at a golf range together. All expressed their desire to meet, mingle and network.

In response to our survey, CSPD will be planning a New Dentist CE track during the 2020 Annual Meeting in San Francisco. And we are also excited to announce that a special New Dentist Happy Hour will be held during this year's Annual Meeting at Disney in April. Generously sponsored by NuSmile, it will be held at Tortilla Joe's in Downtown Disney on Friday evening during the meeting.

If you are an early career pediatric dentist and would like to become involved in planning events for fellow New Dentists and residents, please contact either Dr. Sahar Hamedani, chair of the New Dentist SubCommittee or Dr. Gila Dorostkar (DrGila@DrDorostkar.com), chair of Membership Services. We welcome your comments, suggestions and feedback.





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ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

"PALS Re-certification Provider Course" - 5 Hours CE Credits

Presented by: Jeff Laabs, RCP
When: Thursday, April 4, 2019
12:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.



Many states now require PALS® certification by the American Heart Association for practitioners who perform sedation on children and adolescents in their office. But, a pediatric emergency may occur on any patient in your practice. Are you prepared if an emergency situation happens in your office? Can you recognize pediatric emergencies and manage them successfully? Are your "hands on" life support skills current?

Attendees must register separately for this course. Price is \$210.

"PALS Full Certification Provider Course" - 6.5 Hours CE Credits

Presented by: Jeff Laabs
When: Thursday, April 4, 2019
12:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

"Sedation Review - Safe Sedation for Kids"

Presented by: Stephen Long
When: Friday, April 5, 2019
8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.



This session will be an in-depth review of pediatric airway anatomy, respiratory physiology, pharmacology, and monitoring during sedation. It will focus on patient safety with discussion regarding the practical and clinical implications of sedation.

"Less is More: Minimally Invasive Treatment Options for Enamel Caries and Defects"

- 2.5 Hours CE Credits

Presented by: Jeanette MacLean
When: Sunday, April 7, 2019
8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.



Unsightly congenital enamel defects and acquired white spot lesions can be troublesome for many patients. Historically, these

blemishes have been treated with invasive and costly resin bonding and veneers. Dealing with enamel defects can prove particularly troublesome for young patients, which when left untreated, often become a source of embarrassment for the patient. Or worse, some lesions may progress to cavitation, particularly post-orthodontic white spot lesions. In this course, the instructor will review three simple and painless options to manage enamel defects. MI Paste, Icon Resin Infiltration, and etch/bleach seal can improve or even completely reverse the appearance of congenital enamel defects and white spot lesions while preserving tooth structure and repairing the patient's natural enamel. Decision making on when to surgically intervene for incipient approximal lesions in the posterior also presents a challenge for the dental practitioner. This course will review two non-invasive treatment options to consider in lieu of a "watch and wait" approach. Resin infiltration and silver diamine fluoride are alternatives to the surgical management of non-cavitated proximal lesions which preserve sound tooth structure.

Be sure to visit the annual meeting website at conference.cpsd.org for more details regarding these sessions and to view the full tentative schedule.

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INFECTION CONTROL FOR PULP TISSUE & WATERLINE SAFETY

Dr. Natalie Monsour - *Chair of Patient Services Committee and Public Policy Advocate*

Effective January 1, 2019 the Dental Board of California (Board) adopted a new regulation when it comes to irrigation solutions and pulp tissue exposure.

This new regulation is a direct result of a mycobacterial infection outbreak that occurred at a Southern California dental clinic in 2016. The investigation found that bacterium was introduced by water into the pulp tissue during pulpotomy procedures. More than 60 children were hospitalized due to the outbreak. Therefore, the Dental Board of California issued waterline safety guidelines and created regulation to address infection control during pulp exposures. The Assembly Bill 1277 (Daly, D-Anaheim), signed into law last October by Gov. Jerry Brown, states that this bill would require the Board to amend regulations on the minimum standards for infection control to require water or other methods used for irrigation to be sterile or contain recognized disinfecting or antibacterial properties when performing dental procedures that expose dental pulp.

Dental unit waterlines cannot be sterilized and are typically connected to municipal water sources or closed-bottle systems. These waterlines should be routinely cleaned and disinfected. Waterborne microorganisms can accrue in the dental unit waterline and form a biofilm if proper cleaning and disinfection does not occur. Biofilm is a slime layer of microorganisms or bacteria that adhere to the surface of the dental unit waterline, and this biofilm can dislodge and enter the water stream. It occurs during frequent periods of stagnation, and from the potential retraction of oral fluids. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) states, "Contaminated dental unit waterlines can cause a risk of infection to the patient, particularly during surgical procedures by direct exposure of waterborne pathogens and to dental professionals due to inhalation of aerosols. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Guidance Document Guidelines for Infection Control in Dental Health-Care Settings — 2003 recommends treating the water with chemical germicides to meet drinking water standards. The American Dental Association (ADA) recommends routine monitoring of the water to demonstrate bacteria count of less than or equal to 500 Colony Forming Units (CFU) per milliliter of heterotrophic bacteria."

Using a commercial testing service or using an in-office test kit can help see if your waterline protocols are effective. To temporarily reduce the microbial count and help clean the handpiece waterline, the dental water line should be flushed for 20-30 seconds between patients and every morning for several minutes. The advantages of self-contained water is that it allows the dental personnel to select the quality of the water used and maintenance of the water system can be under the control of the dental staff. For dental professionals the use of high volume evacuation, mask, and protective eyewear or face shield helps reduce inhalation of aerosols from the water lines. Dental practitioners should adopt appropriate infection control procedures for dental unit waterlines based on the manufacturer's instructions for use.

The new requirement is in addition to existing Dental Board regulations on water quality mentioned above. As explained in the CDA December Update article and according to the new law, when performing procedures on exposed dental pulp, water or other methods used for irrigation must be "sterile or contain recognized disinfecting or antibacterial properties". The dentist must prevent pathogens from entering the pulpal tissue. The treated dental unit water is not considered as containing recognized disinfecting or antibacterial properties. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recommends that for surgical procedures, we need to use sterile irrigating solutions, such as sterile water or saline. Appropriate delivery devices (e.g., bulb syringe; sterile, single-use disposable products; or sterile water delivery systems that bypass the dental unit by using sterile single-use disposable or sterilizable tubing) should be used to deliver sterile irrigating solutions during surgery. Other appropriate oral irrigation agents include chlorhexidine, EDTA, BioPure MTAD, and sodium hypochlorite. For further information please visit the CDA website or the FDA website.

IN RECOGNITION...



▲ *Tribute to past presidents of CSPD and WSPD at the Annual Meeting, Torrey Pines, October 12, 2018: (Back row, from left to right) John Gibbons, Christine Roalofs, Dick Mungo, Dave Okawachi, Dennis Nutter, Steve Chan, Santos Cortez, Larry Luke, Marty Steigner, Mark Lisagor. (Front row, from left to right) Jonathon Lee, Ann Azama, Oariona Lowe, Lynn Fujumoto, Sharine Thenard and Kyler, Jacob Lee, Philip Wolkstein, Weyland Lum, Ray Stewart, Richard Sobel. Photo credit: Dr. Steve Neithamer.*



▲ *Pediatric Dental Caucus of the CSPD members at the CDA House of Delegates, Anaheim, November 10, 2018: (Back row, from left to right) Robert Ripley, Jacob Lee, Randy Heckert, Harvey Lee, LaJuan Hall, Santos Cortez, Tiffany Green. (Front row, from left to right) Sahar Jaffrey, Isabella Piedra, Purvi Zavery, Natalie Mansour, Jonathon Lee, Lonnie Lovingier, Oariona Lowe, Trice Sumner.*

DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA REPORT

— Dr. Natalie Monsour - *Chair of Patient Services Committee and Public Policy Advocate*



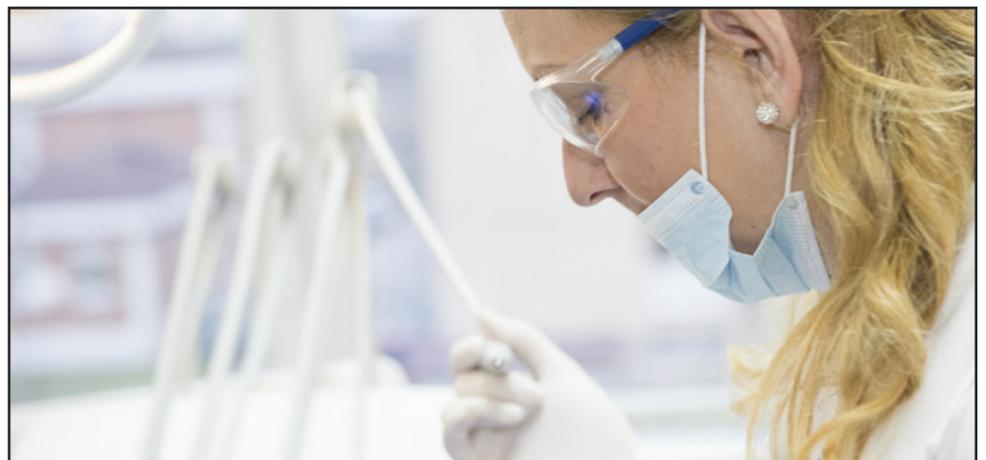
The Dental Hygiene Board of California

The Dental Board of California President, Dr. Thomas Stuart, attended the DHCC (Dental Hygiene Committee of California) on Friday Nov 16th and 17th in Fresno. Karen Fischer and Joan Pacheco RDH, were also in attendance at the meeting. He reported on DBC activity and congratulated their committee on becoming their own board, now known as The Dental Hygiene Board of California, effective Jan 1, 2019.

CDA House of Delegates - Opioid

Dr. Stuart also spoke at the CDA House of Delegates during the Opioid Policy Session. The meeting was well received. He mentioned if a dentist has a Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) license they must register for the Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation (CURES). The California Department of Justice explains that CURES provides “all prescription drug history information maintained in the California’s Controlled Substance Utilization

Review and Evaluation System, or CURES, a database which contains 86 million records. The database includes information about the drug dispensed, drug quantity and strength, patient name and address, prescriber name, and authorization number including DEA number or prescription number. California doctors and pharmacies are required to report to the California Department of Justice, within seven days, every schedule II, III and IV drug prescription that is written. There are 7,500 pharmacies and 155,000 prescribers in California reporting prescription information annually. There are 34,015 active licensed dentists in the state of California. Of which, 24,633 California dentists are licensed to prescribe, however, only 14,011 are currently registered in CURES. CURES is a valuable tool to assist in this matter. The California Department of Justice provides webinars on how to use CURES. The mandate to consult CURES prior to prescribing, ordering, administering, or furnishing a Schedule II-IV controlled substance became effective on October 2, 2018.



Update on RDA Program Re-Evaluations and RDA Exam Passing Rates

The Dental Board of California (Board) is in the process of evaluating the RDA programs. The Board has the authority to audit programs and courses for compliance with regulations in the event the Board deems it necessary. California Code of Regulations (CCR), section 1070 (a)(2), states; the Board may approve, provisionally approve, or deny approval of any program or course for which an application to the Board for approval is required. All Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) and Registered Dental Assistant in Extended Functions (RDAEF) programs and dental assisting educational courses shall be re-evaluated approximately every seven years but may be subject to reevaluation and inspection by the Board at any time to review and investigate compliance with this Article and the Dental Practice Act. Re-evaluation may include a site visit or written documentation that ensures compliance with all regulations. Results of re-evaluation shall be reported to the Board or its designee for final consideration and continuance of program or course approval, provisional approval or denial of approval.

The RDA programs were chosen based on the findings of the Law and Ethics and the RDA Written Examination school statistics; the overall students pass/fail percentage and the year the program was given full approval. It was decided that 50 RDA programs required a reevaluation of their curriculum during this first stage. To date, Board staff have mailed out 45 RDA program re-evaluation notification letters and received responses from 37 programs.

The Dental Board of California offers four examinations in the Dental Assisting program: Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) General/Law and Ethics Written (RDAC); Registered Dental Assistant Extended Functions (RDAEF); Clinical/Practical, Orthodontic Assistant (OA) Written; and Dental Sedation Assistant (DSA) Written. The current passing rate for an RDA is 56%. The passing rate for the RDAEF clinical and practical was 69%. The Board is working with the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES) to see if the low passing rate is due to the test itself, or if the programs need some restructuring to better prepare students to pass the test. Schools with poor performance will receive re-evaluation first, and the Board will also try and ascertain if there are other mitigating factors, such as language barriers.



NEW RESIDENTS

NYU LANGONE DENTAL MEDICINE



Dr. Lais Dalmagro Peruchi

was born and raised in Criciuma, state of Santa Catarina, Brazil. While in middle school, she

participated in a tuition forgiveness program that allowed her to work part-time as a library assistant. This fantastic opportunity helped her realize how fulfilling it was working with children. Later, while working as a dental assistant, she discovered her passion in Dentistry. She attended the Federal University of Santa Catarina, where she earned a DDS degree and received recognition by her outstanding performance in Pediatric Dentistry. She practiced general dentistry in Brazil for two years and then moved to the United States to start a new life with her husband. Following her passion, she pursued a DDS degree at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC. Since her graduation from USC in 2016, her interest in attraction to Pediatric Dentistry has steadily grown while working as General Dentist at a Community Clinic in Los Angeles. In her free time, Lais enjoys the ocean, hiking, traveling, cooking, trying new restaurants and spending time with her friends and husband Neimar, who is also a dentist. She loves animals and has a rabbit called Loly.



Dr. Zachery T. Davis

was born in Hollywood, California; but grew up all around the West Coast. Since he moved frequently

he learned to make new friends often, which lead him to become extremely outgoing. While other children wanted to be firefighters or astronauts, Dr. Z was the child who always wanted to be a dentist. From an early age he loved to make people smile and is still just a big kid at heart.

Dr. Z went to Itineris Early College High School, graduating early with his high school diploma as well as his Associates degree. He was awarded a full ride scholarship to attend Southern Utah University for undergrad; where he completed his Bachelors degree in Biology/Zoology with a minor in Chemistry. Dr. Z completed his Doctor of Dental Surgery at Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry where he served as the class Vice President during all four years. Throughout dental school he led and was active in many organizations devoted to serving pediatric patients including those with special needs. He knew early in his education that he had a talent and passion for working with kids; leading him to pursue a career in pediatric dentistry.

While attending SUU, Dr. Z met his beautiful wife of six years. He has been blessed with two wonderful little girls that are the center of his universe. His favorite things to do with his spare time are to hang out with his girls, watch and play sports, cook, and spend time refining his photography skills.



Claire Dupey

was born and raised in Des Moines, Iowa. She attended Iowa State University and earned a bachelor's degree

in Early Childhood Education with an endorsement in Special Education. Prior to dental school, Claire was a substitute teacher in Urbandale, Iowa. She has always loved volunteering and working with children, making pediatric dentistry a fitting career choice. The youngest of five children, Claire is the only one in her family to pursue a career in healthcare. She attended Midwestern University College of Dental Medicine in Glendale, Arizona where she earned her D.M.D. degree.

Claire enjoys traveling and has been fortunate to travel abroad several times. Growing up, she went on family vacations to Mexico, Canada, Jamaica, and parts of Central America. In high school, she went to Rome with a large choir group. They were the first American choir to sing for newly elected Pope Benedict XVI. During her time at Iowa State, Claire spent a summer abroad in Thessaloniki, Greece where she was able to visit Santorini and the Parthenon. As a dental student, Claire went on a service trip to Tonga where she provided free dental services to native residents. She hopes to continue traveling throughout her lifetime, including more dental-related service trips to serve those in need.



Matthew Parisek

was born and raised in the state of Arizona. Being born in Phoenix and raised primarily in Gilbert, Arizona, he grew

up braving the heat and loving the outdoors. Loving where he was from, he attended Arizona State University to obtain his undergraduate degree in Applied Biological Sciences. After his studies at Arizona State, Matt began dental school at Arthur A. Dugoni – University of the Pacific School of Dentistry in San Francisco, California. Prior to and during his dental school career, Matt has loved to serve the community in dental outreach events, and also gained a love for working with and teaching children. This love for teaching children initially developed mainly from his experiences as a swim instructor at a local swim school in Arizona. Teaching young children how to overcome their fears of the water, and to swim their best, directed him toward a profession where children and teenagers are at the center. What Matt enjoys the most is being with his loving family; his wife Carlee and daughter Goldie. Together, they spend a lot of time outdoors, trying new foods, and exploring new places. Matt also has passion for running, hiking, biking, and playing various sports. One interesting fact about Matt is that he has a love for road trips. He looks forward to his time in San Diego pursuing pediatric dentistry and

solidifying his love for teaching and serving children and adolescents.



Dr. Crystal Hanano

was born and raised in Los Angeles, California where she grew up with her older brother and parents. Her

parents emigrated from Paraguay to the United States just after they were married. Crystal felt grateful and lucky to have been able to grow up in a country where there were so many opportunities for her and her family. As a child, she attended Japanese School, performed calligraphy, played basketball, studied Japanese martial arts, also known as Kempo, and even learned how to use the abacus and attend competitions. Her parents sacrificed a lot for her and her brother to experience everything they possibly could.

During high school, playing on the Junior Varsity and Varsity basketball team was her extracurricular activity of choice. When she attended UCLA, her activity of choice was playing taiko, which is a Japanese style of drumming. She learned how to play taiko and joined an intercollegiate taiko team where she had made her lifelong friends.

While attending UCLA, Crystal became interested in dentistry due to her parent's poor oral health care and education. Her parents had grown up in Paraguay, a third world country where oral hygiene was not strongly implemented. Crystal started shadowing a pediatric dentist and volunteered at a children's dental clinic, where she decided she wanted to make pediatric dentistry her life career. As she applied to dental school, she worked at Kaiser Permanente as a support coordinator for the Population Care Management Department.

One Tuesday afternoon, three weeks after her dental school interview, she was accepted to Roseman University. Not only did she earn her Doctor of Dental Medicine Degree, but she also earned her Master of Business Administration degree as well. She is now excited to be back in California, where she can be close to her family

and study to become a pediatric dentist. She looks forward to working with and getting to know her co-residents and faculty in sunny San Diego.



Dr. Ariel Marder

was born in Dallas, Texas and grew up in the suburb of Plano, Texas. Her passion for art led her to the profession of

dentistry. Her parents recognized she had a talent, and they enrolled her in a summer art camp where she learned to create vivid drawings using pastels. In addition to art, Ariel realized that she had a gift for athletics as well. She started youth soccer and quickly moved up the ranks to play for the top club team in the nation. She worked as hard in school as she did on the soccer field and earned an athletic and academic scholarship to play Division I soccer at Marshall University in West Virginia. As fate would have it, the time she spent in Huntington, West Virginia exposed her to an area in the country where dental care was sorely lacking.

After two years Ariel transferred back to Texas where she continued her soccer and academic career at Austin College where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in Biology with a minor in Art. It was through her experience in West Virginia seeing such a lack of oral health, and her science and art background that led her to apply to dental school. She then went on to earn her dental degree from University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio.

Following a mission trip to Guatemala the summer after her first year of dental school, she interacted with many children and adults in an underserved area of the world and began to set her focus on the field of pediatric dentistry. Her desire to become a pediatric dentist only intensified after participating in a variety of service projects involving pediatric oral health in and around the San Antonio community. She will begin her residency this fall at NYU Langone Health in San Diego, California. Ariel enjoys exercising, painting, and spending time with her family, her pets Jack and Louie, and her friends.

INTRODUCING NEW INTERNS

GSLA PROGRAM INTERNS



Irene Ching was born and raised in San Francisco, CA. She received a BS degree in Biology from Georgetown University ('13),

an MS in Global Health Sciences ('14) from UCSF and her dental degree from UCSF. Irene is interested in orthodontics, community health, global oral health, health policy and organized dentistry. She hopes to enter private practice and teach.



Dr. Shuran Liang was born in Mengzi a small county of Yunnan, China and immigrated to Canada with his family in the early

2000's. As a proud graduate of Washington University in St. Louis and a survivor of the rigorous NYU College of Dentistry program, Dr. Liang pushed to explore his love of working with the pediatric population by pursuing an education in the pediatric dental field. As he finds himself surrounded by the amazing pediatric dental family of NYU Langone Dental Medicine San Diego, Dr. Liang hopes that these past two years will help mold him into a competent pediatric dentist. Dr. Liang is very excited to be selected as a Santos Cortez GSLA intern this year and hope to share this experience with his peers. In the near future, he also wants to become heavily involved in pediatric dental public health initiatives in his local community.



Joanna Meekay was born and raised in Sacramento, California. She grew up the youngest of four in a large Armenian

household. Joanna received her B.S. in Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior from U.C. Davis in 2013.

Joanna then attended dental school in San Francisco at University of the Pacific, there she was involved in various student organizations. Throughout her time at Pacific she was social chair for her class and dental fraternity, Delta Sigma Delta, attended dental mission trips and was a founding member of an advanced treatment planning study club. Her favorite memories include being the tooth fairy for the annual Give Kids A Smile Day event and being a recipient of the Henry Sutro award for Clinical Excellence in her senior year. After she earned her DDS in 2017 she moved on to complete a general practice residency at NYU Langone - Brooklyn. Upon completion of her GPR she matriculated into the Pediatric Dental Residency at UCSF. Outside of residency Joanna loves to travel, cook, work out, and spend time with friends and family.

WARREN BRADLI INTERNS



Dr. Danielle Goodman was born and raised in Orange County, CA. She completed her undergraduate education at Tufts

University, where she graduated magna cum laude. Dr. Goodman went on to obtain a Doctorate of Dental Surgery (DDS) degree at the University of Southern California and is completing her advanced training as a pediatric dentist at the University of Southern California, where she serves as a pediatric dental resident at the Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC).

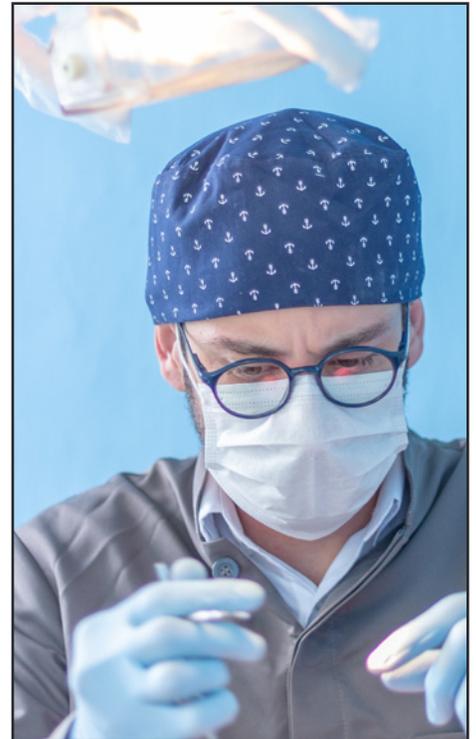
Dr. Goodman is looking forward to serving as a Warren Brandli Intern and advocating with CSPD for the optimal oral health of infants, children, and adolescents. She values treating underserved communities both locally and abroad. She has volunteered with dental service organizations, treating children in the Dominican Republic,

Mexico, Fiji, Peru, and Thailand. Her other passions include traveling, exploring local hiking trails, golfing, practicing yoga, and spending time with her niece and nephews.



Katarina Calilung is a Southern California native raised in Irvine. Dr. Calilung earned her Bachelors in Psychology from

UC Davis and continued her education at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC where she received her DDS degree. Katarina remains in Los Angeles as a resident of the Advanced Pediatric Dentistry Program at USC. After graduation, Dr. Calilung plans to incorporate private practice, community outreach, and organized dentistry in her dental career. Outside of dentistry, Katarina enjoys being by the beach, traveling, exploring new restaurants, and spending time with her family and friends.





WARREN BRANDLI INTERN NOTES

— Dr. Remya Niranjana

"A strong sense of team work among the board members convinces me that the strength of this organization is its members."

I have been a proud Warren Brandli intern over the last year and as my internship comes to an end, it gives me the opportunity to reflect on how the internship has widened my horizons and what I have managed to achieve. This internship has easily been a very valuable and fulfilling experience. It has helped me not only to work on my leadership traits but also in advocacy skills while serving the board. The meetings that I have attended over the last year has given me a better understanding of how the board works. The wholehearted and steadfast commitment that each board member has in spite of their busy schedules - be it at their clinics, private practices or academic duties - has inspired

and motivated me more than ever before. The intense passion to make a difference manifested by each member is something that has rubbed off on me. The variety of rich opinions and ideas on offer ensures that optimal dental care will be available to all be it adolescents or children alike. A strong sense of team work among the board members convinces me that the strength of this organization is its members.

I practiced in rural underserved areas of California as a General Dentist for five years prior to applying for the pediatric dental residency program. The vast unmet dental needs of really young children was the sole motivation for me to apply for the program. I had seen some really young children that were referred out to specialists and were put on a wait-list that would take up to a year to clear. I had a stray thought back then to improve oral

care for this underserved population. Now that idea is closer to reality and the Warren Brandli internship has been a great platform for me to make giant strides towards that goal. It has equipped me with sufficient knowledge as to how to advocate for these underserved children. I have met many board members who share the same goal that I have and I would like to personally thank every board member for this opportunity. I am sure this rich experience as a Warren Brandli intern will bear very good results for me in the years to come.



HIGHLIGHTS OF STAFF CONTINUING EDUCATION SURVEY

— Dr. Gila Dorostkar, Secretary



We couldn't do it without 'em. They are working alongside us every step of the way during our patient care. How can we support and continue to inspire our team? One way is to offer learning opportunities. We all know what a great feeling it is to come back from a CE weekend re-energized and motivated to try new techniques and methods.

CSPD reached out to 50 pediatric dental practices across California this past fall and requested their staff to fill out a CE survey. We received 29 responses. Some highlights include:

- Location and content of the course are the most important factors in making a decision to attend a conference.
- Even though cost was ranked 3rd in importance, it probably does make an impact considering that certain locations cost more than others for teams to attend.
- The number of CE units offered does not appear to be a factor.
- CE topics ranking highest in interest are: marketing your practice, emergencies in the dental office, and restorative materials and techniques.

- One day of courses would be significantly better attended than a weekend of courses. Friday was overwhelmingly the preferred day to attend.
- There was slightly greater interest in attending a course with the doctor rather than only with staff.
- Highest interest in exhibitor products included: Dental restorative materials (most popular), preventive products such as electric toothbrushes and toothpaste, marketing and promotional materials and patient communication services or products.

We wish to thank those doctors who distributed the survey to their staff. CSPD gained a wealth of data to use in planning for future meetings. It is our goal to support you and your team with an outstanding program of continuing education that won't strain your budget.



REFLECTIONS ON A WINTER WONDERLAND

Sarah Hulland, BSc, DDS, Pediatric Dentist, MSC, President WSPD

WSPD epitomizes the concept of "Do, or do not. There is no try".

I personally love this time of year as it allows us all the opportunity to pause and regroup to realize how amazing our lives are and how we daily have the potential to make a positive difference in the lives of the children we manage. So many of us go far above and beyond this with our volunteer work and charitability.

The WSPD Executive Committee is a great representation of this concept with an amazing amount of dedication and energy present at every meeting. Indeed, we had the highest attendance at our caucus in La Jolla on Friday October 12, 2018 which afforded us the opportunity to cover a vast array of topics very effectively in a three hour window of time. As we grow we are afforded the opportunity to broaden our range of services we can provide to our members. Indeed, we are very excited to have Utah and Montana return to the table with active representation.

We are delighted to have hired our own Dr. Christine Roalofs as the inaugural WSPD Administrative Assistant. This is a perfect fit as she finishes her tenure of representing Alaska and is now moving to Wisconsin to begin a new adventure in her life. Having her continue with the WSPD brings an amazing amount of institutional memory to the table, in combination with a record of absolute commitment to the WSPD. With this expansion of the team we look forward to increasing our communication with the states/provinces and the individual

members within them. It has been the commitment of the WSPD to bring this forward as a foundation of our district and with the belief that this will enable us to be leaders from within the AAPD. Dr. Roalofs will be working directly with Dr. Natasha Bramley to produce the initial edition of 'The Odontoblast' which will be sent out electronically to all our members.



We continue to work with the AAPD to ensure that Pediatric Dentistry is well represented and the hosting of the Leadership Summit and PPA conference in Chicago is a good example of this. We were honored by having many students and mentors from our district present both to engage in the political aspects of our specialty, but to also provide the flagstones of their leadership training. I would say that the future looks very bright within our district. We will continue working with the AAPD by participating in the Oral Health Conference taking place February 24-27 in Washington, D.C.. I would also like to congratulate the seven WSPD graduates of the AAPD/Healthy Smiles Healthy Children Cohort V for completing their three year program (Kyoko Awamura – Hawaii; John Gibbons – Washington; Sarah Hulland – Alberta; Travis

Nelson – Washington; Christine Roalofs – Alaska; Thomas Tanbonliong – California; and Joseph Wilson – Washington)

The StAMP fund continues to be a benchmark for the WSPD and is thriving under the watchful eye of Dr. Ora Lowe. The other districts are looking carefully at how well this

program is working and many are in the process of replicating it. Given the success of the program we encourage educators to enlighten their students of the existence of this program.

In closing I would like to thank the entire membership for supporting my efforts as President of the Western Society of Pediatric Dentistry. I believe that the WSPD epitomizes the concept of "Do, or do not. There is no try". Let's keep on doing the best we can!!

Sarah Hulland
BSc, DDS, Pediatric Dentist, MSC
President WSPD



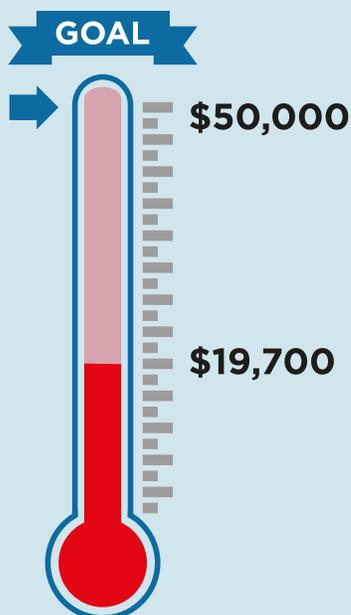
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Recorded Saturday January 19, 2019

Motion: 01.19.2019:01 Dorostkar: Move to approve the October 11, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:02 Schmitt: Move to edit section IX of the APPM to clarify the CSPD policy regarding dignitaries invited to the CSPD ASS/AM
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:03 Schmitt: Move to accept the modified description of the Sponsor Relationship Liaison (SRL). This will comply with the previous motion of 07.14.18.8.
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:04 Nichols: Move to accept the policy description for the CSPD-WSPD Reception at the AAPD Annual Scientific Session in the APPM.
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:05 Nichols: Move to accept the updated description and protocol for the Past Presidents Advisory Group and Breakfast to be added to the APPM.
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:06 Dorostkar: Move to forward the above description of the Presidents Advisory Group to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee for review and editing.
MOTION FAILED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:07 Schmitt: Move to send a recommendation for a dues increase to the membership
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:08 Schmitt: Move to increase dues by \$85 to a total of \$395 for Active members starting with the next billing cycle.
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion: 01.19.2019:09 Schmitt: Move to give the Board the discretion to raise dues by up to the current CPI. Any increase would not be automatic and would only be implemented after fiscal review. Any increase above CPI would still require membership approval.
MOTION CARRIED. (1 OPPOSED)

Motion: 01.19.2019:10 Schmitt: Move to restore Affiliate general dentist member dues to 100% of Active member dues.
MOTION CARRIED. (1 OPPOSED)

Motion: 01.19.2019:11 McCreedy: Move to approve the Social Media Subcommittee bylaws as submitted in the January 19, 2019 Communications Committee Board report
MOTION CARRIED.



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