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2023 ADA House of Delegates Meeting Wrap-Up

by John P. Demas, D.D.S.

Each year, every local component of every constituent of the American Dental Association (ADA) sends their representatives (delegates and alternate delegates) to the governance meeting of the ADA, the meeting of the House of Delegates (HOD). The New York State Dental Association (NYSDA) makes up the entire second trustee district constituent of the ADA. Our local component, the Second District Dental Society (SDDS), is one of 13 components that make up NYSDA.

This year the ADA convened its HOD in Orlando from Saturday, Oct. 7 until Tuesday, Oct. 10. SDDS, as part of the larger NYSDA caucus, was represented by Drs. Alyson Buchalter, Tricia Quarthey-Sagaille and Paul Teplitsky as our delegates and by Drs. John Demas, Raymond Flagiello and Mitchell Mindlin as our alternate delegates. At this year's meeting, representatives were tasked with the analysis and deliberation of a total of 79 resolutions that would be put before the House.

Seventy-nine resolutions to be analyzed and deliberated within but two sessions of the House held over the course of just four days?

The reality is that the process, at least for the NYSDA delegation, had begun long before the actual governance meeting.

NYSDA President Dr. Anthony Cuomo had, months in advance of the meeting, assigned every delegate and alternate delegate of the NYSDA caucus to one of five study groups: **Business, Membership and Administrative Matters**, chaired by our own Dr. Tricia Quarthey-Sagaille; Budget, chaired by a former NYSDA Treasurer, Dr. Frank Barnashuk,

Alternate delegate at large from New York's Eight District; **Legislative, Health Governance and Related Matters**, chaired by Dr. Raymond Miller, alternate delegate from the Eighth District; **Dental Education, Science and Related Matters**, chaired by Dr. Suchie Chawla, delegate from New York County Dental Society; and **Dental Benefits, Practice**



SDDS delegates and alternate delegates at the 2023 ADA HOD meeting. From left to right: SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello (alternate delegate), SDDS President-Elect Dr. Tricia Quarthey-Sagaille (delegate), Dr. Alyson Buchalter (delegate), Dr. Mitchell Mindlin (alternate delegate), Dr. Paul Teplitsky (delegate) and Dr. John Demas (alternate delegate)

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The Liberty Warehouse, Brooklyn, NY, 12 P.M.—4 P.M.
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MONDAY
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SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting

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27

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and Related Matters, chaired by Dr. Louis Giordano, delegate from the Sixth District.

Dr. Flagiello served on Budget, Drs. Teplitsky and Mindlin served on Legislative, Health Governance and Related Matters and Drs. Buchalter and Demas served on Dental Benefits, Practice and Related Matters.

In mid-August the expanded caucus, (caucus chairs and NYSDA board of trustees) met via Zoom. During the next two weeks, individual study group meetings were held during which every delegate and alternate delegate from NYSDA was given a bit of homework. Each was assigned a handful of those resolutions and asked to become the authority on them.

In the first week of September, the second trustee district pre-caucus meeting convened via Zoom. The NYSDA Board, component delegates and alternate delegates and NYSDA staff met for four plus hours during which protocol and rules were reviewed and discussions were held regarding the two resolutions that had been submitted by NYSDA to the ADA board of trustees (ADA BOT). Study Groups (Membership, Education, Legislative, Benefits and Budget) broke out into smaller meetings within the meeting and the previously assigned “homework” was reviewed. After the study groups completed their discussions, the entire caucus reconvened to review the findings and recommendations of the groups.

Once in Orlando, on the day before the first session of the House, the expanded caucus

(caucus chairs, NYSDA board of trustees and staff) met, yet again, to review what had previously been discussed as well as to consider new resolutions that had been submitted too late to have been reviewed by the ADA BOT. The morning of the first official day of the meeting saw our caucus hard at work, with the study groups yet again hashing out the details of the resolutions before them, gathering more information from subject matter experts from the ADA or from our colleagues from other trustee districts who were the makers of some of the resolutions.

The afternoon welcomed in the first meeting of the HOD. As with all such meetings, a bit of time at the first session is spent on speeches, recognition of service by individuals and introduction of special guests and dignitaries (and possibly more speeches). This session was no different. The second day of the meeting, Sunday, saw virtually six hours of non-stop testimony for or against every resolution brought before the House in the form of four Reference Committee Hearings. Reference Committee hearings are an extremely important part of our meetings, as it is during these sessions that we learn of arguments (pro or con) that we might not have considered, hear of unintended consequences of certain resolutions or get clarification of intent.

Monday saw our delegation (from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.), again by study groups, putting the final touches on our recommendations, with numerous interruptions in the form of presentations to our

group by the candidates for the office of ADA president-elect and second vice president (the voting to take place at the final session of the House).

Before adjourning, each of the study group chairs had presented their committee recommendations to the entirety of the caucus with lively discussion throughout. The recommendations were ultimately compiled by staff and printed for distribution to our delegation so that each and every one of the representatives would attend the final sessions as well informed as they could possibly be.

The voting for the elective offices commenced at 7:30 a.m. on the final day of the meeting. Dr. Brett Kessler from Colorado was elected ADA president-elect and Dr. Edwin del Valle-Sepulveda from Puerto Rico was elected ADA second vice president.

Consideration of all the resolutions and all proposed amendments and substitutions were debated and voted upon during the final two sessions of the House. It was also officially announced that NYSDA’s Dr. Maria Maranga (of Suffolk County Dental Society) will be seeking the position of ADA president-elect in 2024 and Dr. Viren Jhaveri (of Queens County Dental Society) will be seeking the position of ADA second vice president.

A complete record of the proceedings should be available on the ADA’s website at <https://www.ada.org/en/about/governance/house-of-delegates>.

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Don't Let a Short-Term Illness Knock You Out

by Stuart L. Segelnick, D.D.S., M.S., C.D.E., SDDS Bulletin Editor

Most dentists have experienced some form of illness during their careers. There was even a time when working with a cold was considered standard dental practice procedure for many dentists in solo practice. Today we better understand the ethical dilemma of working while sick, which can bring an increased risk to the health of dentists' employees and patients and affect the dentist's decision-making capacity. A sickness that has caused the dentist to stay at home and not function could have a devastating effect on the practice. There are many different types of aid the dentist may be entitled to during these trying times such as disability insurance and social security disability. However, if the illness lasts for a short period of under a few weeks, then there is no vehicle for recouping the economic loss. Looking into mitigating the financial and collateral damage of a short-term work interruption

before the incident occurs may be a prudent course of action.

A few months ago, I personally had to deal with a health problem that closed my office. My gallbladder was the culprit. The gallbladder is used by our bodies to store bile and release it when fatty food is being digested (see <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK279386/> and <https://newsinhealth.nih.gov/2015/02/galled-gallbladder>). Otherwise, the gallbladder is not an organ that is necessary for survival because in its absence the liver, which produces bile, will continue to do so at a slow rate, emptying into the small intestines. My gallbladder was filled with stones which I saw clearly on a sonogram and special MRI called a magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography (MRCP) that the surgeon ordered. It had caused a few episodes of common bile duct obstruction leading to severe crushing pain in my right chest and back — severe agony that

had me doubled up and vomiting all night long. After the last attack, when my gallbladder became infected and almost had me hospitalized, I decided it was time to explore surgical options of removal (cholecystectomy), especially when my physician said it could become life threatening.

Since it was a planned surgery, it gave me time to plan for my absence. My surgeon had informed me that I could most likely return to work in five days, although most of my own online research pointed to two weeks. The patients were cancelled and the staff were coached on what to do while I was away. They would manage the office while I was gone and call me if there was anything that couldn't wait.

There are many consequences to being unable to practice for even a small amount of time. One of the first things you should do is have an emergency contingency plan. A very helpful website, the American Association of

Disabled Dentists (AADD) has a well thought out "Emergency Practice Continuity Care Plan," which you can find at <https://disableddentists.org/2016/06/24/activate-your-practice-continuity-plan>. I contacted one of the founders of the AADD, Dr. Ronald Marsh, who started the organization after having a stroke and finding the American Dental Association was not helpful in his plight. Dr. Marsh and three other people who have experienced terrible health issues are available to support and counsel any dentist who has questions on how to proceed during the trying times of disability.

Dr. Marsh advised that when purchasing your disability insurance, you make sure there is a short-term disability clause, which could have helped me in my situation. He also counseled, "When purchasing disability insurance, do it NOW; never delay, and get the best policy you can afford. This is NOT the time to be cheap. It could be the best investment you ever make. Ensure it has an "own occupation clause," and be open to buying a second policy. And yes, you can have more than one policy." He also stressed paying for your policy with post-tax dollars, which is a huge benefit, otherwise your benefits will be taxed. Dr. Marsh recommended buying a disability policy with a cost-of-living rider along with the option to increase purchased benefits as your practice grows and you have a higher income. If there are lifetime benefits available, Dr. Marsh recommended purchasing them too; although costly, he said, "It is well worth it." As a second backup if you are not in a group practice, Dr. Marsh said to make sure you get the practice an overhead rider, which will cover your rent, utility



Photo of the author's gallstones on top of an inverted 8-ounce plastic cup after nail polish application for long-term preservation

bills, insurance premiums for the practice and even your membership dues.

Dr. Marsh stressed that most disability policy benefits do not kick in for 90 days. Hopefully you'll get better before then; however, if you don't, make sure while receiving your medical care to maintain "rock solid documentation that you are disabled." He also said to make sure you STOP working because if you don't, it will weaken your claim. Always make sure you read your policy and then file a claim. Dr. Marsh suggests filing the claim yourself and if you are denied benefits, then it's time to hire an attorney and file an appeal.

During my recovery, I called my disability insurance carrier who said that I had their premier plan, which made me happy until he continued that the policy would only begin paying out benefits after 60 days of disability. Since I was planning to be back to

work much quicker, my disability plan would not cover my short-term absence. The agent suggested most dentists put away a couple of months of money, literally self-insuring these short events. He then compared the time away to taking a vacation. Needless to say, I was very upset to hear this analogy because my experience was so incongruous to joyful times.

Being prepared for short- and longer-term illnesses at the office is extremely important to a dentist's practice survival. Having a well-crafted emergency contingency plan will also help alleviate pressure from the stress of coping with a sudden illness and avoid additional mental anguish. As I continue to recuperate, I am reminded that without your health, everyone and everything else you love and treasure may never be available. So please, take care of yourself!

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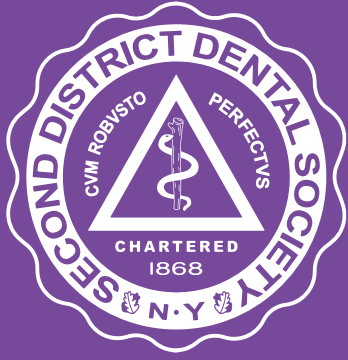
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by Alyson K. Buchalter, D.M.D.

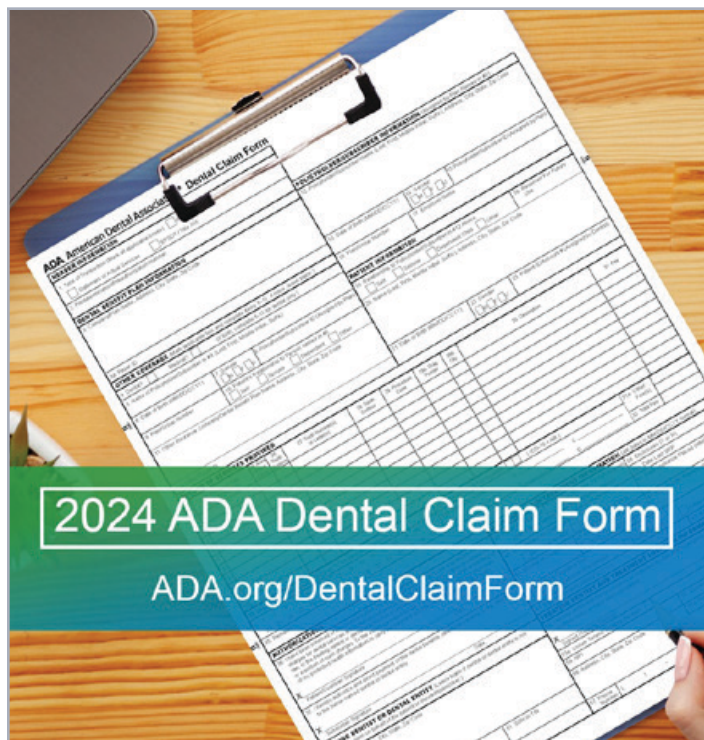
The 2024 American Dental Association (ADA) Dental Claim Form goes into effect January 1, 2024. The ADA, (@americandentalassociation), has produced a new video regarding the upcoming changes to the 2024 ADA Dental Claim Form. Visit <https://youtu.be/cFXN8jpE9M?si=3BuJUoOqX5X-IFTw> to watch the video.

The changes include indicating if claims are delivered by a Locum Tenens dentist, the date of the last scaling and root planing (box 29a) to expedite timely claim adjudication, and a space for the identification number self-assigned by third-party payers known as the payer ID (box 3D and 11D).

A Locum Tenens is the term for a dentist who is standing in

for another who is away for a short time for any reason including staffing shortage, leaves of absence, short-term disability, etc. There is a check box under the treating dentist's signature field to indicate if the treating dentist is a Locum Tenens.

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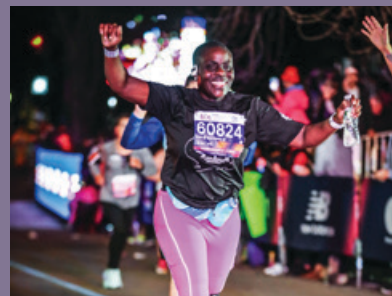
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Staten Island University Hospital residents attended the Richmond County Dental Society membership meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 19. Seated, from left to right: Drs. Claudia Luto, Evelyn Fonseca and Ummia Zaman. Standing, from left to right: Drs. Mark Fiorello, David Weisman, Mehribon Mila Muminova, Kevin Persaud, Sandra Battista, Dina AlSharif, Mohamed AlSharif, Kristina Accardo and Deanna Barranco (GPR program director)



SDDS Past President Dr. Mitchell Mindlin was inducted into the American College of Dentists during the ADA House of Delegates meeting in October 2023



SDDS President-Elect Dr. Tricia Quartey-Sagaille crosses the finish line of the NYC 2023 marathon. Congrats, Tricia, on completing the race!

SDDS PARTICIPATES IN BROOKLYN OUTREACH EVENT

by Esther Nelson, D.D.S.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, members of Second District Dental Society's Oral Health Committee participated in an incredible back-to-school event in Downtown Brooklyn. The Second District Dental Society (SDDS), along with Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures (BSBF) and Bethel Baptist Church, formed a successful trio collaboration to provide sufficient resources to the growing community. Many children were present with their parents in attendance. This became a great opportunity to recruit children under the age of 12 for dental screening and to give out free supplies.

Two young Colgate BSBF coordinators — Lakeshia and Matthew — were extremely helpful in providing volunteers with the proper protocol for dental screenings conducted inside the BSBF mobile dental van, as well as in educating the children with the props presented on the tabletop outside. SDDS is thankful to the following participating dentists: Drs. Lauren Smith, Natasha Patel, Michelle Shamaev, Esther Nelson and Sophia Scantlebury. Dr. Scantlebury is a well-known orthodontist in Brooklyn and her expertise was needed for children in need of orthodontic treatment. SDDS community outreach looks forward to future collaborations with the Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures program.



Volunteers at the back-to-school outreach event. From left to right: Drs. Lauren Smith, Natasha Patel, Michelle Shamaev, Esther Nelson and Sophia Scantlebury



Dr. Esther Nelson performing a dental screening on a toddler inside the Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures mobile dental van



SDDS volunteers gave demonstrations on proper flossing and tooth brushing and provided attendees with healthy snacking instructions. From left to right: Drs. Michelle Shamaev, Natasha Patel, Lauren Smith and Esther Nelson

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE #2024-01

Advance Registration Required — Register online at sddsny.org

Friday, February 9, 2024 ♦ SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn, NY ♦ 9:30 A.M. – 3 P.M. ♦
MCEU—4.5 HOURS

CPR and Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office

Instructor: **MICHAEL KALIROFF**

Certified Instructor, American Heart Association

This course provides dentists and their staffs with the knowledge and skills needed to properly respond to cardiopulmonary and other medical emergencies which can occur in dental offices. The specific advantages and disadvantages of performing CPR within the dental operator will be discussed. This program utilizes hands-on practice sessions for all participants. Topics to be covered will include heart attacks and strokes (signs and symptoms), sudden cardiac arrest/defibrillation, airway obstruction (choking), respiratory emergencies, anaphylactic reactions, emergency drug kits and more.

Upon successful completion of this course, participants will gain the knowledge and hands-on experience needed to administer CPR safely and effectively. Completion of this course will also satisfy the New York State Education Department's requirement for licensed dentists.*

This course may not fulfill the CPR certification requirements for staff/faculty of some hospitals/universities. CHECK WITH YOUR EMPLOYER BEFORE TAKING THIS COURSE.

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Unless otherwise stated, all featured speakers have disclosed that they do not have any relevant financial arrangements or affiliations with any corporate organizations that would constitute a conflict of interest concerning the continuing education activities stated herein.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE #2024-02

Advance Registration Required — Register online at sddsny.org

Friday, February 23, 2024 ♦ Hilton Garden Inn, Staten Island ♦ 9 A.M. – 4 P.M. ♦
MCEU—6 HOURS



The Dr. Meryl J. Efron Memorial Lecture Prosthodontics – A 40-Year Retrospective: Where We Have Come from and Where We are Headed

Featured Clinician: **LOUIS F. DESANTIS, D.D.S.**

Former Northeast Regional Director, American College of Prosthodontists; Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor, Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics, New York University College of Dentistry

Revolution or evolution? The last 40 years have witnessed tremendous growth and change in how we approach our treatment protocols. From advances in adhesive dentistry, implant dentistry, digital dentistry and evidence-based dentistry, the last 40 years have seen the greatest growth in both didactic and treatment workflows. With rapidly emerging technologies, how are we to focus on the future of our profession: utilizing AI to enhance our treatments or a return to the fundamentals?

Prosthodontics (restorative dentistry) underwent a revolution in 1983 and again in 1998 with the publication of three seminal research articles:

- **Osseointegration and its experimental background.** Brånemark, P.I. J Prosthet Dent. 1983 Sep;50(3):399-410. doi: 10.1016/s0022-3913(83)80101-2.
- **Etched porcelain facial veneers: a new treatment modality based on scientific and clinical evidence.** Calamia, J.R. J Dent. 1983 Sep-Oct;53(6):255-9.

In 1989 and 1999, digital impression and computerized CAD-CAM technologies were the second revolution.

- **Dental CAD/CAM technologies: the optical impression (I).** [Article in English, German]. Pfeiffer, J. PMID: 11351456 was published in 1998 with part II published in 1999.

Where we have evolved over the last 40 years as a profession came from inspirational, seminal research, along with vision. Since these early publications, our knowledge, techniques and work flows have changed dramatically. This presentation will look at the evolution of prosthodontic therapies and discuss, “where we came from and where we are headed.” The future is now. Upon successful completion of this lecture, participants will have an understanding of what truly is “the golden age of dentistry”: implantology, digital dentistry, aesthetic dentistry and dental mimetics. All these separate areas are interrelated and changing the way we look at dental issues and use best evidence to treat our patients.

Advance registration required for all listed events. Register online at sddsny.org (excluding SDDS Hospital Resident members, SDDS Associate members and SDDS Life members).

Buy more, SAVE MORE! Register for any TWO SDDS courses and get ONE course of equal or lesser value for free (excluding CPR). To redeem this offer, download a course registration form at www.sddsny.org and mail, fax or email to SDDS Headquarters.

#2024-02 “The Dr. Meryl J. Efron Memorial

Lecture: “Prosthodontics — A 40-Year

Retrospective: Where We Have Come from

and Where We are Headed for Your Practice”

SDDS Life Members	\$122.50
SDDS Members	\$175
SDDS Member's Staff	\$100
SDDS Hospital Residents	\$50
ADA Members	\$200
ADA Member's Staff	\$150
Non-ADA Members	\$275
Non-ADA Member's Staff	\$175

Louis F. DeSantis, D.D.S.

Friday, February 23, 2024

Hilton Garden Inn, Staten Island

9 A.M.—4 P.M.

MCEU - 6 hours

Breakfast and lunch included

“CPR and Medical Emergencies in the Dental

Office” *excluded from discount offers*

SDDS Members	\$180
SDDS Member's Staff	\$175
SDDS Residents	\$125
ADA Members/Staff	\$200
Non-ADA Members/Staff	\$295

Michael Kaliroff

SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn

(9:30 A.M. – 3 P.M.)

#2024-01 Friday, February 9, 2024

SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2023 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

President Raymond Flagiello called meeting to order at 7 P.M. A moment of silence was taken for all those lost during the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attack on NYC

MOTION: Minutes of June meeting accepted

PRESENT: : Drs. Flagiello, Shalan, Buchalter, Mistretta, Libramonte, Carute, De Leonibus, Demas, Wolfe, Meiselman, Mindlin, Albicocco, Teplitsky, Merlino, Scibetta, Sager and Venterina; Mr. Hackett

EXCUSED: Drs. Richard, Donato, Turchak, Segelnick and Quartey-Sagaille

GUESTS: Drs. Oshrain, Gounardes, Pavlakos, Sconzo, Young, Ratner, Santana and Flamer-Caldera; recipients of loan forgiveness awards

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

See “Upcoming Events” calendar.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Dr. Jay Skolnick re: Dr. Maria Maranga’s campaign for ADA president-elect
2. Letter from the International College of Dentists re: the Golden Pen Award
3. Letter from NYC College of Technology thanking Second District Dental Society (SDDS) for the student awards for the lab tech department
4. Email from Dr. Howard Lieb thanking SDDS for the condolences on his brother’s passing
5. Letter from NYSDA President-Elect Dr. Krishnan confirming her invitation to the SDDS March 7, 2024

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND STAFF:

President — Dr. Raymond Flagiello:

- Gave the report of the Nominating Committee and vote to be held at the November general membership meeting;
- Attended separate fundraisers for New York State Senators Jessica Scarcella-Spanton and Andrew Gounardes
- Attended the Joint Audit Committee meeting
- Attended the GNYDM travel budget meeting and the GNYDM Organization Committee meeting
- Participated in the ADA pre-caucus meeting
- Will preside over the joint fishing trip with New York County Dental Society on Oct. 1

President-elect report read by Mr. Hackett and Drs. Oshrain, Carute, Flagiello, Lieb, Mindlin and Ratner.

NYSDA REPORTS:

Dr. Demas reported on the latest developments regarding California’s possible plan to remove itself from the ADA and NYS’s bills to introduce “dental therapists.”

SDDS REPORTS:

Greater New York Dental Meeting

Report — Dr. Richard Oshrain:

- Reported on GNYDM progress — all numbers are up, i.e., booth sales, sponsorships, registrations, visa applications and education enrollments

Richmond County Dental Society — Dr. Christen Carute:

- Reported on RCDS scheduled meetings and installation scheduled for Jan. 27, 2024 — “A Magical, Mystical Evening”

Awards Committee — Dr. Ratner:

- Introduced this year’s recipients of the SDDS Loan Forgiveness Awards

Motion passed: To continue awards to NYC College of Technology and Tottenville High School

Motion passed unanimously: That the Committee is recommending to the Board that Dr. Steven Gounardes be awarded the SDDS Distinguished Service Award

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion passed (Mindlin): That SDDS contribute up to \$10,000 for the campaign to elect Dr. Maria Maranga as ADA president-elect; \$5,000 to be contributed now, up to another \$5,000 to be contributed in 2024 if needed

GOOD & WELFARE:

- Nov 3, 2023: “Scrubs & Stilettos” sponsored by Nassau County Dental Society and Suffolk County Dental Society

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 P.M.

SDDS Job Board

POSITIONS WANTED

GENERAL DENTIST AVAILABLE PART-TIME:

Experienced General Dentist available 1–2 days/ week and alternate Saturdays. Bay Ridge area, Park Slope, North Brooklyn and Staten Island. **Contact:** (917) 301-4436

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

DENTIST WITH PREMIER PRACTICE:

Looking for a dentist with high quality practice to join/merge into my well established, restorative/cosmetic practice in Staten Island, NY. Potential for future buyout. My practice is high-end and focused on fee for service. The office is conveniently located near mass transportation and easily accessible. We have a professional and capable staff. For further details, please contact Steven G. **Contact:** (917) 428-8848 | steven.g@btqconsult.com

DENTIST WITH NUCLEUS PRACTICE:

Looking for dentist with high quality practice to join/merge into my well established, restorative/cosmetic practice in Park Slope, NY. Potential for future buyout. My practice is high-end and focused on fee for service. The office is located conveniently by train lines, with a professional and capable staff. For further details, please contact Dr. Leonard Brenner. **Contact:** (516) 840-6153 | bmrndnl@aol.com

ASSOCIATE DENTIST WANTED: Modern private practice in Brooklyn (Kings Highway) is seeking an associate dentist proficient in performing all phases of dentistry. There are both part-time and full-time opportunities. If you are looking for a career opportunity with unlimited professional growth potential or a partnership track please contact us or email your resume. **Contact:** Dr. Safonova | (718) 376-1090 | taladentalinfo@gmail.com

EXPERIENCED PT OR FT DENTIST IN BROOKLYN:

Modern private practice in Brooklyn is seeking an EXPERIENCED PT or FT DENTIST. Candidate must be proficient in performing all phases of dentistry, including molar root canal therapy, surgical extraction, and cosmetic dentistry. Please submit your resume to familysmiledental@gmail.com or contact Tanya. **Contact:** Tanya | (718) 332-4060 | familysmiledental@gmail.com

PERIODONTIST: Looking for a periodontist. Hours and salary will be discussed upon interview. **Contact:** Dr. Nicholas Mattia or Alyssa | (718) 442-8440 | nmattiadds@gmail.com

GENERAL DENTIST: Full-time and Part-time dentist with minimum 2 years experience. **Contact:** Dr. Tamara | tibadental@yahoo.com

GENERAL DENTIST: Large dental practice on Staten Island looking for General Dentist. Flexible hours. **Contact:** Jill | (718) 494-0100 | jilldon310@gmail.com

ORTHODONTIST: Full or part-time position, for a busy Staten Island general and multi-specialist practice. **Contact:** Jill | jilldon310@gmail.com

ENDODONTIST AND PERIODONTIST (STATEN ISLAND): Multi-specialty practice is looking for an endodontist and periodontist to join our team. Flexible hours. **Contact:** hwdentalcare@gmail.com

PEDIATRIC DENTIST — BROOKLYN HOSPITAL: Board certified/ Board eligible pediatric dentist wanted for an attending position in a Brooklyn hospital, supervising pediatric dental residents. NYS license required. Please email your resume to Rena Kravitz. **Contact:** Rena Kravitz | rkravitz@maimonidesmed.org

ORAL SURGEON — ONE BROOKLYN HEALTH SYSTEM, PART-TIME: 2 day/week at Brookdale Hospital Medical Center. Responsibilities: supervision/teaching residents. **Contact:** Dr. David J. Miller | (718) 613-4707 | dmiller@interfaithmedical.org

ORTHODONTIST PT — STATEN ISLAND: Well-established, busy high quality practice in Staten Island, NY seeking part-time Orthodontist. Please email your curriculum vitae to Dr. Salvatore Indelicato. **Contact:** Dr. Salvatore Indelicato | (718) 967-5213 | straitteeth@aol.com

FT ASSOCIATE — BROOKLYN: Implant Practice seeks full time associate. Experience a plus. No Saturdays. Available immediately. **Contact:** Dr. Simon Kappel | (718) 436-0202 | doctorsmileone@gmail.com

PEDIATRIC DENTISTS — ONE BROOKLYN HEALTH SYSTEM: Full Time position, Monday–Friday at Brookdale Medical Center (full benefits package and loan forgiveness eligibility), Wednesdays at Interfaith Medical Center. Responsibilities: supervision/teaching residents. **Contact:** Dr. David J. Miller | (718) 613-4707 | dmiller@interfaithmedical.org

ORAL SURGEON — NYP BROOKLYN METHODIST HOSPITAL: Seeking part time oral surgeon to help with clinic and on-call coverage. You have the skills and expertise that these new dentists need. Compensation, free precious Park Slope parking, and the satisfaction knowing you have helped the new dentist be the best they can be. If interested please email your CV to Dr. Sconzo. **Contact:** Dr. Sconzo | jjs9014@nyp.org

GENERAL DENTIST — ONE BROOKLYN HEALTH SYSTEM: Part Time (3 days/week), Monday, Thursday and Friday preferred (full benefits package). Responsibilities: supervision/teaching residents. **Contact:** Dr. David J. Miller | (718) 613-4707 | dmiller@interfaithmedical.org

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ADVERTISING IN THE SDDS JOB BOARD

The SDDS Job Board is a free member-benefit program for all Second District members who are seeking employment and for all SDDS members who have positions available at their office address in Brooklyn or Staten Island. This member benefit is available only to Second District members in good standing. Please call Christine at (718) 522-3939 or send us an email at info@sddsny.org for details on placing an associate-ship listing.

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Isabel T. Whitehill-Grayson – New York University, 1961

Classifieds

GROUP PRACTICE FORMING, CO-OP ARRANGEMENT, INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONERS: Booming area, FT/PT, trial free rent, surgeon, pedodontist, endodontist. Private, Union, Insurance, Medicaid, GP practice available. (718) 634-2123.

BAY RIDGE, PRIME LOCATION: State-of-the-art, fully equipped, ultra-modern office on first floor in private building. 1,200 square feet, handicap accessible, heavy traffic. One block from train/bus. Two operatories available 1-3 days. Fully computerized, digital Sirona Panorex, Dexis digital X-ray system. TV/computer screens in front/back of treatment rooms, lab, private office, N202. Surround sound stereo system throughout office, 24-hour surveillance cameras and basement storage space. Have your own space without the headaches. Turn key situation. Option for future purchase of long-established private practice is negotiable. Daily rates also available. Unique opportunity. Contact: Dr. D. at (917) 658-4954 or docs@amendental smiles.com.

STATEN ISLAND GENERAL PRACTICE: Fantastic opportunity. Two-dentist partnership transitioning to retirement. Five operatories (3 dental, 2 hyg), avg. gross \$1.3 mil. 80% PPO & 20% FFS. No Medicaid, no DMOs. Contact Paul Flagg at dentalbusdevel@gmail.com.

DENTAL PRACTICE FOR SALE: Establish office for over 30 years. Six operatories, staff lounge, doctors office and reception area large building area. It's on a corner location. Call (646) 522-0318.

FOR RENT OR SALE: Turn key dental office, two ops in Manhattan Beach, Brooklyn. 35-year-old established practice with the original phone number. Patient charts included with purchase or lease. Flexible terms. Private doctors office, lab, storage closet and waiting room. Available immediately.

DENTAL OFFICE FOR RENT/SALE: Modern dental practice in a very busy area of Bensonhurst, Brooklyn, 11204/1st floor/corner building/approx. 1000 sq. feet (high ceiling). Three fully equipped operatories/custom cabinets/flat screen TVs/computerized/central AC & heat. Nitrous oxide/pulse

oximeter. Eagle software system, digital schick X-rays, panoramic machine, waiting room area & nice size reception area plus flat screen TV. Fully equipped laboratory area/kitchen/storage room/basement. Alarm & stereo system/phone system/24 hrs surveillance camera. Private office (separate entrance). Near public transportation. Long term lease/available immediately. Please contact us @ (718) 435-0045.

STATEN ISLAND PRACTICE & BUILDING FOR SALE: Established Staten Island practice offers perfect opportunity for new dentist starting out or existing practice looking to expand...5 fully equipped ops! Please contact (917) 295-6027 for details.

ADVERTISING IN THE SDDS CLASSIFIEDS

If you are interested in placing a classified ad online and in the SDDS Bulletin, please download the SDDS 2023 Advertising Contract at www.sddsny.org, which details ad rates, submission guidelines and submission instructions. Further inquiries may be directed to Shayo Farinre at sfarinre@sddsny.org.



Second District Dental Society
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2024 SDDS DENTAL STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM

Don't miss out on this opportunity!

Are you:

- A newly licensed dentist who has had your license for **five years or less** and has completed your residency program or specialty training program?
- **Licensed in New York** and in second year of postgraduate training (if you have converted to full Active membership)?
- An **Active tripartite member** of Second District Dental Society?
- Burdened with over **\$50,000** in verified dental school loan debt?
- Practicing the majority of the time in **Brooklyn** and/or **Staten Island**?

If so, now is your opportunity to apply for the SDDS Dental School Loan Forgiveness Program. You could be one of several new dentists selected to receive an award of up to \$10,000 to decrease your dental student loan debt.

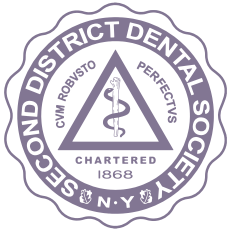
Visit www.sddsny.org for complete program eligibility details.

Apply by March 31 and you could be one of several new dentists selected to receive an **award up to \$10,000** to help decrease your student loan debt.

View eligibility requirements to see if you qualify.

Program opens on January 1, 2024
Application deadline is March 31, 2024





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Are you
in need of a
**DENTAL
ASSISTANT?**

The Dental Auxiliary Training Center's (DATC) "Fundamentals of Chairside Dental Assisting" course which started in March 2023 ended in June 2023 and graduates are ready for employment.

As a service to SDDS members, DATC has a placement service to help dentists

find trained prospective employees. We will be happy to discuss your job requirements and help you find a mature, responsible and motivated dental assistant.

Your job information can also be anonymously posted on the DATC Facebook page. DATC students and graduates search this page to find out about current dental assistant positions and must call DATC to obtain details and point of contact information. To view these postings, look at our Facebook page under the "NOTES" tab and don't forget to "Like Us." Visit us on the web at www.datcny.com. As has been our policy for the last 38 years, there is never a fee for this service. Please call Lisa Lyle at 1(888) 595-3282 for more information.