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"Spring:
 the music
 of open
 windows."
 - Terri Guillemets

MDA 2015 Annual
 Convention
 June 12-13
 Samoset Resort
 Rockport, Maine
 See pages 10, 11 & 14
 for more details



What's In It For Me?

June 12-13 is a great time to visit the Samoset Resort and spend a weekend on the ocean with family, friends and networking with colleagues. Friday's CE's complete the 2014-2015 Package Plan. Your confirmation to this last course will be your registration for the convention. As Package Plan Dentists and Hygients, your registration is free. Exhibitors will be there until 3 pm on Friday. Visiting them will earn you a free lunch and day-of-the-show specials. The exhibits help to fund the convention. Friday night's meal is on your own. The Samoset offers fine dining. Check the MDA website for alternative restaurants in the area.

Saturday Dr. Uche Odiatu returns for a morning and afternoon CE. There will also be a Lunch & Learn for Dental Students. New and experienced dentists are encouraged to attend. Lunch and two category two credits are included. Saturday night's Dinner Dance with *Mental Block*, an all dentist band, begins with a Dental Student reception.

If you haven't yet registered, the form is included in this issue. See you there!

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MDA Hosts Legislative Reception and Gives Dental Spotlight Awards

John Bastej, MDA Director of Governmental Affairs

On February 23rd the Maine Dental Association hosted its annual Legislative Reception. A mix of sixty two senators and representatives attended, about 1/3 of the legislature, the largest turnout ever.

Awarding the MDA's "Dental Spotlight" awards was one of the highlights of the reception. Three awards were given. One to a legislator who worked hard on dental issues last session, one to practitioners who exhibited outstanding service delivery skills and one for a clinic or association involved in public health. Senator Andre Cushing was recognized for his work with the MDA on many dental bills over the last two years. Kathleen Martin, RDH, and Vaneesa Woodward, CHPS (Community Healthcare Provider) were acknowledged for their work with the homeless clinic and the children of the City of Portland. The third awardee was the Oasis Clinic which was recognized for its almost ten years of work with the Merry Meeting Bay Dental Society members in helping the working poor in the Bath/Brunswick area.

Senator Mike Thibodeau, the President of the Maine Senate, presented the award to Senator Cushing, remarking on the Senators hard work on oral health issues. Dr. Jenny Fultz presented the Spotlight award to Martin and Woodward after explaining how hard they worked to get the children in the city into oral health homes. Dr. Fultz provides dental care to the children in Portland too, and previously was the dentist at the Homeless Shelter there. Finally, Dr. Rick Elsaesser, a member of the Oasis Board, as well as a participating dentist, in the clinic, introduced Dr. Jack Bauman, the director of the Oasis Dental Clinic, thanking him for his years of hard work in operating and organizing the clinic's twice a month sessions at the Jesse Albert clinic in Bath.

Dr. Rick Elsaesser introduced Dr. Jack Bauman, Director of the Oasis Dental Clinic.



Dr. Rick Elsaesser with Dr. Jack Bauman (center) and Dr. Timothy Oh.



Dr. Jenny Fultz introduces Kathleen Martin, RDH, and Vaneesa Woodward, CHPS.



Kathleen Martin, RDH, and Vaneesa Woodward, CHPS, pictured here with Dr. Jenny Fultz (left) and Dr. Timothy Oh (right), received Spotlight Awards.



Senator Andre Cushing (center) was presented a Spotlight Award by Senator Mike Thibodeau (right). Also pictured is Dr. Timothy Oh, MDA President. (left)

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In Search of Excellence

In a few weeks a significant portion of Maine's dentists will descend once again on Rockport for our Annual Convention. Beyond the usual CE, exhibitors, and networking opportunities, this year the MDA will be helping to put on a community outreach event on the Sunday following the regular Convention programming.

Recently, the ADA has begun incorporating a service project with their annual meeting and has met with great success. The M.O.M. day in San Antonio last fall involved a total of 938 volunteers, including dentists from 38 states and 10 countries who dedicated their time. According to the ADA, "more than 1,200 patients were treated. The total value of dental treatment received was \$526,474. The total cost to patients was nothing except for their time". I was able to spend some time at this event last year and was impressed by the total experience and the group effort involved. The MDA can help facilitate an event like this to have a similar positive impact on our state.

Let's face it – nearly everyone in Rockport knows when the "dentists" are in town. We eat in the restaurants, shop the stores, visit the galleries and museums, and take in a few rounds on the Samoset greens. Since we are in town, we might as well have a positive impact on the oral health of the community and not just the tip jar at your favorite restaurant or bar. As this program matures it has the potential to be an annual occurrence and a hallmark of our Association's public outreach. There are a number of charitable programs our members are involved with across the state and throughout the year. Last year's MDA President, Demi Kouzounas, used this column to highlight some of these activities. This year, we want to provide more of you another outlet to give back.

A Year of Service

While there are continual challenges facing today's dentists, the profession continues to be a rewarding occupation for all of us. Dental offices across Maine are dynamic small businesses offering stable year-round employment to 1000s of state residents. From our larger towns to the more rural, these businesses are often cornerstones in their communities. Each of us has given back to our community in our own way, but this upcoming year I want the MDA to publicly emphasize the philanthropy of our organization. Beginning with the dental outreach event in conjunction with the Annual Convention, I want to launch a Year of Service to include activities in every county of the state. As dentists, we uniquely hold the expertise and ability to provide a comprehensive range of services not only in our daily practice, but also in our charity endeavors. Serving people across the state displays the compassion we have for our neighbor and helps us win hearts and minds. I urge you to use the professional skills you have for the good of all Mainers and the MDA.

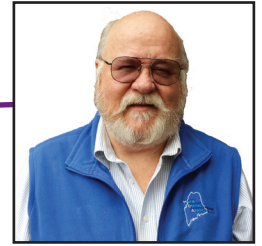
Call to Action

A far-reaching effort like this will require many hands during this next year and I hope to identify champions in every dental society that can help further this goal. Therefore, unlike many of the write-ups in this column, this quarterly piece is asking for your action. To volunteer for any part of the process of planning and/or implementing our MDA Year of Service, please contact me: TOh@caringhandsofmaine.org.

I look forward to seeing you and working with you in June!

Respectfully Submitted,
Timothy Oh, DMD

MaineCare Provides an Adult Dental but You Have to Follow the Rules



John Bastey, MDA Director of Governmental Affairs

A member recently asked me “Can I treat a MaineCare eligible adult in my office if I am a MaineCare provider?” The answer is “yes,” or maybe a better answer is “mostly, if you follow the rules.”

Here’s some recent legislative history -

Last session LD 1749 An Act To Create Greater Cost Efficiency and Improve Health Outcomes by Incorporating Increased Access to Dental Services for Adults through MaineCare’s Care Management and Coordination Initiatives was presented to the Health and Human Services Committee by one of its members, Representative Drew Gattine.

The crux of the issue was that many providers, patients, and others within the scope of the ebbing and flowing tide of MaineCare had different understandings of what the law said.

LD 1749 was simply a way to bring all those understandings together by writing them into the law. To do that the Health and Human Services Committee suggested that MaineCare create an Ad Hoc committee with the purpose of sorting out all of the confusion.

The committee was created and met several times. Included in the initial meeting was the MaineCare Dental Advisory Committee, of which the MDA is a member. The Committee reported to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services (HHS) that there were no changes needed in the law, as long as dentists knew what the law said. Legislation has been submitted giving that informational role more specifically to MaineCare. (LD 474) Here at the MDA we will also track and assist with understanding the details of the rules to help members.

So the quick answer is -

The current law does provide MaineCare eligible adults with dental care. For example, a tooth can be pulled or filled, gums can be treated, endodontics can be performed, or dentures can be provided to adults who otherwise are eligible MaineCare members. In fact, nearly every kind of care provided to children under MaineCare is provided for adults too.

Here is the difference, a child can be treated BEFORE a problem occurs but an adult cannot be treated until AFTERWARD. Here are three tests to use to see if the adult qualifies for MaineCare dental treatment.

1. If pain is a symptom when the patient shows up at the office, or
2. If a threat of eminent tooth loss is clear, or
3. If a Medical Doctor has written a prescription saying that the patient needs to have this or that dental treatment, including dentures.

If one of those conditions exists, and the person is a MaineCare member, or otherwise eligible for MaineCare, the treatment is most likely covered by MaineCare. The care may require prior approval. Your MaineCare manual will explain when prior approval is required. [In regard to criteria for services and prior authorization requests visit the MDA website (medental.org) for the pertinent policy citations.]

Here’s more detail – An adult can be given dental care by MaineCare if one of these condition exists:

1. Pain -

Does the patient have pain in the oral cavity? The oral pain can be the result of a trauma or just a sick tooth, and the amount of pain isn’t the issue. If the patient says it hurts that’s enough, the pain exists. The dentist can treat its cause and bill MaineCare for the services. Be sure to make ample notes in the patient record of the pain and the treatment.

2. Eminent tooth loss –

This can spring from something obvious, like an accidental hit in the face with a baseball bat or much less obvious injuries or disease processes like early loosening caused by periodontal disease. Both lead to eminent tooth loss and both are covered for adults. Again, maintain a strong set of notes about the problem and the treatment in the patient record.

3. Medical prescriptions –

Let’s say a patient is taking a medication that results in xerostomia, or abnormal drying of the mouth, and needs two prophys/year to correct the problem. If a physician finds that the use of the drugs causes the problem, and the prophys will treat it, MaineCare can cover the patient, even though he or she is an adult. While MaineCare adult dental care doesn’t specifically allow a prophylaxis on a patient like this, the physicians prescription will allow MaineCare coverage, usually after prior approval. Other dental procedures, say for a deep debridement, or dentures, would be handled in the same way, through a prior authorization.

Please observe that I said three times that notes in the patient record must be thorough. Like the Board of Dental Examiners says, “if it isn’t documented it didn’t happen” and notes will make your decision to treat bulletproof.

MaineCare Provides an Adult Dental but You Have to Follow the Rules (continued from page 4)

Billing -

To bill MaineCare a dental provider has to be an enrolled MaineCare provider. The process to enroll can be done right online via <https://mainecare.maine.gov/Default.aspx> where the provider's credentials are verified and there is a check to see if they are sanctioned by MaineCare or Medicaid. Once that's done, the dentist is enrolled as a MaineCare provider and can bill MaineCare according to Section 25 Chap II & III of the Mainecare benefits manual which can be found at at <http://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/rules/10/ch101.htm>.

Only dentists who currently accept MaineCare fees can be paid for MaineCare dental work. In other words, you need to be sure you are currently registered as a MC provider before sending in a bill. If you have never been a MaineCare provider this would be great time to sign up if you want to provide MaineCare coverage to children and, where appropriate, adults.

If you have any questions, you can contact MaineCare resources; Provider Services at 1-866-690-5585 or mainecareprovider@molinahealthcare.com If they cannot assist the provider they will make a referral to the appropriate staff who can.

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are needed for the Special Smiles screenings again this year so please save the date of June 6 for an enjoyable and rewarding experience. The Dental tent will be open from 9 am - 3 pm on the football field at the University of Maine in Orono. If it rains the screenings will be indoors. Bring your staff and your family. Many volunteers are needed. You won't regret it.

Third Molars

Charles J. Ruff, DMD, Waterville, ME



We've all had patients who've come in with a chief complaint of "Why are my teeth moving? They were perfectly straight ten years ago but now they're are really crowded." It seems that we all remember being told in dental school that erupting wisdom teeth will cause anterior teeth, particularly the mandibular anterior teeth, to become crowded. Of course, we all practice evidence based dentistry nowadays so it should be a simple matter to look in the literature to find justification for removing third molars. Not!

The role of third molars in post orthodontic tooth alignment was described quite early in the literature by Dewey who, in 1917, commented that "in some cases the mandibular third molar will become impacted due to the lack of space, in other cases it creates space for eruption by causing the anterior teeth to crowd." Since that time, numerous investigators have attempted to determine whether such a correlation really exists.

My favorite article on this subject matter came out of the University of Washington in 1990 and the lead author was Dr. Amin Ades. The title of the paper was "A long-term study of the relationship of third molars to changes in the mandibular dental arch."

Dr. Ades broke his study subjects into four groups: orthodontic treatment with premolar extractions, nonextraction orthodontic treatment starting with generalized spacing, nonextraction orthodontic treatment and finally serial extraction treatment without appliances of any kind. These four groups were further broken down into these subgroups: third molars that were impacted, erupted into function, congenitally missing or extracted at least ten years previously. Where applicable all were at least ten years out of braces.

He found that over time, mandibular incisor irregularity increased and arch length and intercanine width decreased. The findings between the subgroups in which mandibular third molars were impacted, erupted into function, congenitally absent, or extracted 10 years before postretention records revealed no significant differences between any of the subgroups for the parameters studied. In the majority of cases some degree of mandibular incisor crowding took place after retention, but this change was not significantly different between third molar subgroups.

So this study seems to say that there is a lack of evidence connecting third molars and an increase in lower crowding. Nonetheless, we still have a patient saying "Hey, doc, how come my teeth are moving and getting more crowded?"

Many researchers have suggested over the years that there are a number of factors at play in the problem

of an increase lower incisor irregularity with time. The etiologies of post pubertal increases in mandibular crowding both in orthodontically treated populations and in untreated populations is, of course, multi factorial.

In an excellent literature review, Richardson concluded that during the teenage years, pressure from the back of the arch is an important cause of late mandibular incisor crowding. Such pressure may cause forward movement of the buccal teeth causing shortening of the dental arch and an increase in crowding. The pressure may be due to various factors including physiologic mesial drift, the anterior component of force of occlusion on mesially inclined teeth, the mesial vectors of muscular contraction, as well as the presence of developing third molars. Other possible factors include late mandibular growth, skeletal morphology and complex growth patterns, soft tissue maturation, periodontal forces, tooth morphology, occlusal factors and connective tissue changes. In all, she listed 14 possible causes of this pressure from the back of the mouth.

Let me talk about just one: late mandibular growth. I think most people would accept the fact that girls are probably done growing around age 16 and boys perhaps at age 18 or 20.

Let me introduce the idea of cephalocaudal gradient of growth. This means that early in life (in utero and infants), most of the growth occurs to the head area and less growth occurs to the rest of the skeleton. After birth, the rest of the skeleton plays catch up. A simple way to look at it would be that bones that are further from the skull grow later.

There is even a differential between the growth of the maxilla and mandible that amounts to about 21% a year. So if the maxilla grow forward 1 mm the mandible grows forward 1.21 mm. That differential never stops and so during puberty when a lot of growth is happening, the amount of growth differential between the maxilla and mandible can be substantial.

It is easy to see that in a male patient with tall parents, there is a lot of growth potential. So if he starts at age 13 with normal overbite and overjet and then grows 12 inches, this might be reflected in occlusal changes if the overbite and overjet are maintained. In other words, something has to give and generally the lower teeth give and become more crowded. At least that is one of the variables but I believe a significant one.

Please feel free to visit my blog at orthodmd.blogspot.com or email me an orthodontic question at orthodmd@me.com

Correction: In the winter issue of the MDA News the article "I Hate Impacted Canines" on pages 10-11 was written by Dr. Charles Ruff. Apologies for this mistake.

Dr. Gary Creisher Announces Candidacy for MDA Vice President

Dr. Gary Creisher is a graduate of West Virginia University School of Dentistry. He received his post-graduate training in Pediatric Dentistry at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was the recipient of the American Society of Dentistry for Children Certificate of Merit Award. He is a member of the American Dental Association, the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, the Maine Dental Association and the Massachusetts Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Creisher practiced Pediatric Dentistry in Massachusetts for over 20 years and upon moving to Maine he is happy to continue his expertise. Dr. Creisher served as the Maine Society of Pediatric Dentistry from 2011-2014. He enjoys spending time with his wife, seven children and two grandchildren.



Candidates for other elected offices are:

President: Timothy Oh (currently serving as President)
Secretary: Dr. Michelle Mazur-Kary (currently serving as Secretary)
Treasurer: Dr. David Kerr (currently serving as Treasurer)
President-elect: Dr. Peter Drews (currently serving as Vice-President)

Any other member interested in running for the office of Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer should notify the MDA Central Office as soon as possible to assure their name on the ballot for the 2015 election. The Annual Business Meeting for MDA members will be Saturday, June 13 at the Samoset Resort during the MDA Convention.

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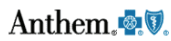
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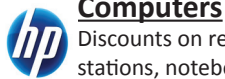
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MDA 2015 Convention



June 12-13, 2015
Samoset Resort
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Maine Dental Association
Convention 2015

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Convention Schedule

Friday, June 12, 2015

This is the last CE Course in the 2014-2015 Package Plan (one course with two parts):

AM - **Optimize Your Practice: CDT Code, Claims and More**
Dr. Ronald Riggins [3.5 Credits, Cat. 2] AND
PM - **HIPAA - What's New and What Do I Have to Do?**
Leslie Canham, CDA, RDA [2.5 Credits, Cat. 1]

Maine Diversion Alert Program - Clare Desrosiers, MSW
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Saturday, June 13, 2015

AM - **Wellness: The Value Added Practice: The Link Between Systemic Disorders and Oral Health**
Dr. Uche Odiatu [3.5 Credits, Cat. 1]

Lunch and Learn - What New (and experienced) Dentists Need to Know
Dr. Bill Simon [2 Credits, Cat. 2]

PM - **Your Sleep Deprived Patient: How Poor Sleep Quality and Quantity Affects the Heart, Brain, Digestive and Immune System**
Dr. Uche Odiatu [2.5 Credits, Cat. 1]

Dental Student Reception

Saturday Evening Dinner/Dance - Dinner, Music with the dental band, *Mental Block* and friends, and dancing

Dental Students Invited

Once again dental students have been invited to the 2015 convention. With a generous gift from Northeast Delta Dental, the students are invited to attend continuing education courses, a Lunch & Learn where they will enjoy lunch and an informative CE, and a reception where they will have the opportunity to meet MDA dentists. Take advantage of the opportunity to meet and encourage. Relationships could develop that may prove beneficial in the future.

Saturday Night Entertainment

Last year's debut performance of *Mental Block*, an all dentist band, brought down the house. They are returning



this year for a command performance. Bring your dancing shoes, your singing voice and join the fun!



The program brochure and registration form have been mailed and are on the MDA website.

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Please Note: Optimize Your Practice: CDT Code, Claims and More with Dr. Ronald Riggins is for Cat. 2 credits. It was listed incorrectly on the mailed Registration Form.

Registration Form – Maine Dental Association Annual Convention 2015 – Samoset Resort, Rockport, Maine

Registration Fee -- Check designation.

Duplicate this form for EACH attendee, including spouses and guests.

Name		
Address: <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Office		
Street/PO Box		
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Telephone:		
If purchasing meals with the MDA please note dietary restrictions:		

Designation		
Dentist Package Plan Mbr		included in Package Plan fee
Hygienist Package Plan Mbr		
MDA Mbr		\$ 25
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Non ADA Mbr		\$250
Hygienist		\$ 25
Assistant		\$ 25
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Lab Personnel		\$ 25
Denturist		\$ 25
Spouse		\$ 25
Guest		\$ 25

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FRIDAY Continuing Education Courses (Check corresponding box)	Package Plan Dentist or Hygienist	(practicing) Dentist	(NON- practicing) Dentist	Staff Spouse Guest
Part 1 FRIDAY CE--Optimize Your Practice: CDT Code, Claims and More with Dr. Ronald Riggins (8:00-11:30 am <i>Includes Continental Breakfast</i> – 3.5 hrs of Cat. 2 credits)	Included in Package fee	\$300	\$ 150	\$ 100
Part 2 FRIDAY CE--HIPAA - What's New and What Do I Have to Do? with Leslie Canham, CDA,RDA (1:30-4:00 pm – 2.5 hrs of Cat. 1 credits)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FRIDAY Free Presentation				
<i>Maine Diversion Alert Program with Clare Desrosiers, MSW (4:15-4:45 pm)</i>		FREE	FREE	FREE
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Meals / Festivities	Cost	Total Cost
SATURDAY Luncheon ONLY for Past Presidents, Pierre Fauchard Academy, International College of Dentists, American College of Dentists	\$25	<input type="checkbox"/>
SATURDAY "Evening" Dental Student Reception, and Dinner Dance (5:30 pm) <i>Entertainment with Mental Block and Friends</i> # _____ adults	@ \$50	\$

June 13, 2015

SATURDAY Continuing Education Courses (Check corresponding box)	(practicing) Dentist	(NON- practicing) Dentist	Staff Spouse Guest
SATURDAY CE--Wellness: The Value Added Practice: The Link Between Systemic Disorders and Oral Health with Dr. Uche Odiatu (8:00-11:30 am <i>Includes Continental Breakfast</i> – 3.5 hrs of Cat. 1 credits)	\$150	\$ 75	\$ 50
SATURDAY CE--Your Sleep Deprived Patient: How Poor Sleep Quality and Quantity Affects the Heart, Brain, Digestive and Immune System with Dr. Uche Odiatu (2:00 -4:30 pm – 2.5 hrs of Cat. 1 credits)	\$150	\$ 75	\$ 50

SATURDAY Lunch & Learn <i>Includes Lunch</i> (Check corresponding box)	New Dentist practicing 5 yrs or less	Dentist	Staff Spouse Guest
SATURDAY CE -- Dental Student and New Member Lunch & Learn (open to all MDA mbrs.) <i>What New (and experienced) Dentists Need to Know</i> with Dr. Bill Simon (noon-2:00 pm – 2 hrs Category 2 credits)	FREE	\$30	\$30
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Totals	
Registration Fee	\$
Continuing Education Total	\$
Meals/Festivities	\$
Sponsor a Dental Student \$50.00	\$
Total	\$

___ Enclosed is my check. ___ Please use my credit card
 Download registration form with credit card information
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Are You Protecting Your Practice from Identity Theft of Your Patients?

By Jennifer L. Nieto, President, Best Card, LLC

Most dentists want to practice dentistry and prefer not having to think about how they protect their own patient's information but in today's very litigious world, it is important that you do so. In light of the recent breach at Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield – the largest healthcare record hack ever – it is even more critical now.

On 1/6/15, IDB Investor Today published an article stating that (1) stolen patient records (via employees or data breach) can sell for \$50 each as compared to only \$1 for credit card stolen information; and (2) there has been a 600% increase in healthcare breaches for the first 10 months of 2014 over 2013 – electronic claims are a big target right now. Medscape Medical News article references a 2/2014 SANS Institute report released where the FBI stated that the healthcare industry “is poorly protected and ill-equipped to handle new cyber threats exposing patient records, billing and payment organizations, and intellectual property.” Almost all things digital in healthcare are getting compromised – radiology imaging software, medical devices, faxes, printers, virtual private networks, and routers. To make matters worse, healthcare information technology (IT) professionals believe that their defenses are adequate “when clearly the data states otherwise.”

Right now you may just want to throw up your hands and hope that your IT folks are doing a good job for you and put it on your to do list to check your insurance coverage should your records be compromised via hack attack or malicious employee. While I am no IT specialist, I will tell you a bit about what we see as related to the credit card industry. First let's start by asking you how many new credit cards were you issued in 2014? If you shopped at Home Depot, Target or K-Mart, or you dined at PF Chang's or even Dairy Queen last year, odds are you received new credit cards and were told that you are receiving the new cards as your account MAY HAVE BEEN compromised and you can get a free credit report to ensure no identity theft has occurred, etc. All of these merchants use online systems for processing credit cards. Swiping a credit card on a terminal using an analog line continues to be what we feel is the safest method for accepting credit cards and we are not aware of any breaches using this good old fashioned technology. If your dental practice swipes a credit card using an online system/Ethernet based connectivity – PCI (payment card industry) security standards require quarterly scans. Effective 1/1/15, the PCI Security Standards board have added new questions and two new types of questionnaires so you will want be aware of such when completing your annual questionnaire with your merchant processor.

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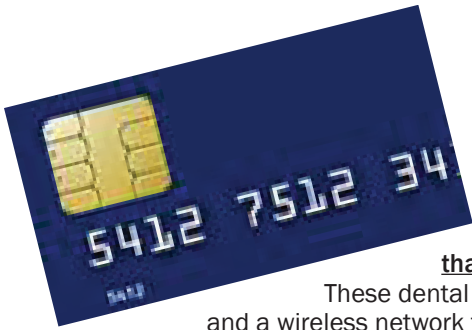
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These dental practices have malware software, anti-virus protection, and a wireless network that is separate and do a fairly good job of trying to secure their systems. Reasons for failure are numerous and can include not updating to Windows 7 or higher, unused ports being left open that need to be closed with internet service provider, outdated firm-ware routers, not obtaining patches or updates for software, etc. So if security breaches are happening to above entities, do know that it could happen to you and it is important to correct any weaknesses identified. Best Card charges \$36 annually for the mandatory PCI self-assessment questionnaire completion and only \$20 more for those dental practices required to do the quarterly scans and you can run the scans more often if desired (such as when you get new software or update, etc.). We now have some offices that use a terminal that are paying for the scans (even though not required) because they simply feel it is a good business practice to check for system weaknesses. While Best Card maintains a \$50,000 security breach policy on their merchants, this coverage is for forensic audit costs to determine how the breach occurred and not for costs related to patient identity theft, etc.

By October 2015, the credit card industry wants your equipment to be changed to what is considered safer technology called EMV “chip” technology. The magstripe will eventually be replaced with “chip cards”. Best Card has certification for some of their terminals/online systems but we are 3-5 months before all certifications of equipment are thought to be ready – we offer our merchants \$100 off any EMV equipment at www.BestCardTeam.com. Make sure when purchasing new equipment that you ensure it is NFC (near field communication) capable because Applepay is here to stay. We feel its tokenization (converts credit card number to a different number identified with your merchant account) is secure. **EMV, NFC, & APPLE PAY: OMG** that is TMA (Too Many Acronyms) but you can call us at 877-739-3952 and we will be happy to email or fax you our Newsletter. Best Card also has information available relating to “embezzlement in the dental practice” that we are happy to email or fax directly to the Dr. upon request.

Jennifer Nieto is the President of RJ Card Processing Inc. d/b/a Best Card and a former CPA/ Director of Finance for the Colorado Dental Association. Best Card is currently endorsed by 19 dental and medical associations due to their excellent rates (the average dental practice saves 26% in processing fees) and personalized customer service. They have extensive knowledge about the credit card processing industry and welcome your questions.

If you'd like more information about the material presented in this article, please feel free to call **Best Card**. They offer excellent rates and customer service to their endorsed dental association members, and have a wealth of knowledge about the credit card processing industry. Contact Best Card at: **(877) 739-3952**, or visit <http://www.bestcardteam.com/faqs/> to learn answers to many other common questions on credit card processing.

Website materials:

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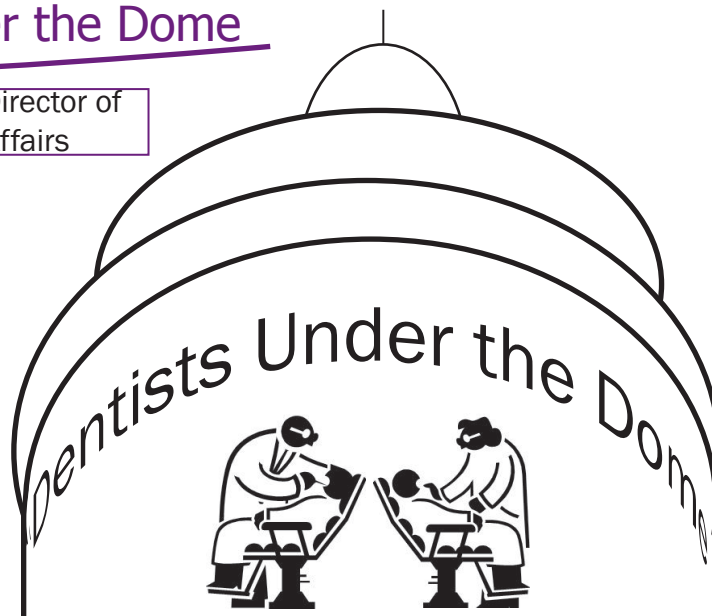
Stephanie Mains is a dental consultant with more than 20 years of business experience. She started her career as a dental hygienist and progressed through all aspects of the thriving, profitable dental business she and Dr. Chris Green built in Cumberland, Maine.

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Dentists Under the Dome

John Bastey, MDA Director of
Governmental Affairs



The more you know about Maine Government, the more effective you can be. With that in mind, the Maine Dental Association received permission to grant three Continuing Education Category II credits to dentists who attend a three hour class about Maine's government. The class is limited to no more than three dentists at a time and is taught by John Bastey, the director of Governmental Relations for the MDA. It starts at the MDA headquarters at 9 AM with a brief review of the Maine legislature, stuff you haven't thought about since fifth grade.

After the review, the class leaves the MDA and resumes in the State Office Building (SOB). We visit various committee rooms that you read about in the paper, starting with the Joint Standing Committees on Labor, Commerce, Research, and Economic Development. (LCRED) The committee deals with all licensing issues such as Dental Hygiene Therapists (DHTs) or Expanded Function Dental Assistants (EFDAs). From LCRED we move to the Committee on Health and Human Services which deals with dental, medical, and Medicaid issues, including funding and basic health care. After that, depending on time, we may stop in at one or two other committees important to dentistry, like State and Local Government and Insurance.

Next you visit the State House via the tunnel between the State Office Building and the State House. You will see important legislative sites below ground in the State House itself, and also given a description of the functions of these parts of the legislature.

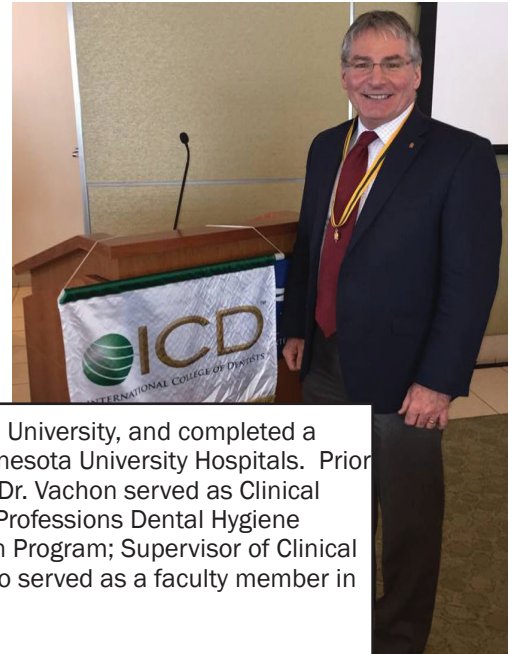
We then visit the State Senate and House Chambers, after stopping briefly in the Hall of Flags and the Office of the Governor. While in the chambers we may visit with senators or representatives of the dentists who are taking the class. After that we visit "the lobby" on the third floor. Located between the two chambers of government, it is the place where lobbyists and citizens have a chance to talk with legislators during the session. We talk about citizen lobbyists and the most effective ways to meet and talk with legislators in their own environment.

At noon, the group heads to the Cross Cafeteria for an MDA sponsored lunch and "debriefing." That is always the scene of lively conversation, with questions and answers that are always interesting and fun. By 12:30 the dentists head back to their busy practices with certificates and vouchers for the three credits they have earned.

Talk with a friend and call John at 622-7900 to make a plan. Class size is limited to two or three dentists so the group can have the best opportunity to learn in the busy legislative environment. Dentists who have completed the course, some 25 or more, have enjoyed the interaction with Maine's government and found it very helpful in understanding the legislative process. Meeting legislators, lobbyists, government program directors, and other members of the public is full of surprises and always enjoyable. It's a worthwhile three and a half hours. Classes can be scheduled around practice hours to some extent and while Tuesdays and Thursday mornings are the busiest times in the legislature, other days can be accommodated.

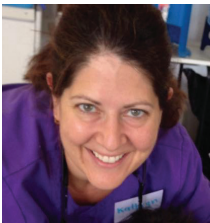
New Maine Members of the ICD

Congratulations to new members of The International College of Dentists (ICD). ICD has as its mission statement, "The International College of Dentists is a leading honor society for dentists dedicated to the recognition of outstanding professional achievement, meritorious service and the continued progress of dentistry for the benefit of all humankind." At ADA 2014 Annual Session in San Antonio, two Maine dentists were inducted into this honor society. Dr. Kathryn Horutz and Dr. Pete (Lionel) Vachon.



Dr. Lionel Vachon received his D.D.S. degree from Marquette University, and completed a General Practice Residency Program at the University of Minnesota University Hospitals. Prior to joining the faculty of the UNE College of Dental Medicine, Dr. Vachon served as Clinical Assistant Professor in the UNE Westbrook College of Health Professions Dental Hygiene Program. His duties included Director, Dental Student Extern Program; Supervisor of Clinical Procedures; and Program Administrator. Dr. Vachon has also served as a faculty member in the Inter-professional Geriatric Education Program at UNE.

Dr. Vachon practiced general dentistry for almost 30 years, and owned and operated his own dental practice in Sanford, Maine from 1985-2011. He is a member of the York County Dental Society, the Maine Dental Association, and the American Dental Association. He has served as a member of the Dental Hygiene Peer Review Committee, the College of Dental Medicine Feasibility Study Committee and the Physician Assistant Student Affairs Committee. As a member of the faculty of the College of Dental Medicine, he will also serve on the Dental Hygiene Advisory Board.



Dr. Kathryn Horutz is a general dentist in private practice in Portland, ME since 2007. She is a graduate of Lafayette College and University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. She has served as Vice President of the Greater Portland Dental Society and has been a member of the MDA Executive Board for the last four years. She is a Pierre Fouchard and AGD member. Dr. Horutz participates with the Dentists Who Care for ME program, Donated Dental Services, and Bright Smiles Clinic. She has done overseas dental mission trips to the Dominican Republic and most recently Guatemala. Her interests include travel, triathlon and restoring an old home.

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New Members

In the News

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MDA Staff Training for New ADA Software - Aptify

Cindy Sullivan, MDA Executive Director, (left) works with Lou Salerno, ADA trainer.



Sylvia Dodge, MDA staff, (left) trains with Alan Bardauskis, ADA trainer.



Patti Bureau, MDA Staff, (right) and Lou Salerno learning Aptify.



The MDA Central Office staff recently underwent training for the new software system the ADA has been implementing over the past year. Aptify is new software that will replace outdated systems formerly used for membership records and other functions.

According to the ADA, “Aptify is a faster, more flexible software that allows the ADA to interface with states in an effort to provide better service to members at whatever point they connect with the Association—national, state or local. It replaces outdated software and systems the ADA had used for membership records as well as allowing the development of the ADAcatalog.org website.”

Aptify offers modules that cover a variety of functions, including registration of attendees for continuing education programs and annual meetings.”

Aptify will streamline the membership renewal process. Eventually it will allow members to renew their membership on the ADA website. Members will have an easier way to update address changes, make dues payments, place orders, track CE, and receive current updates.

The ADA is offering this system to dental societies with no cost for the following: technical infrastructure, Aptify software (unlimited user licensing) and data conversion from the Tripartite System.

Dental societies are encouraged to adopt Aptify, which fits in one of the Members First 2020 goals in the ADA’s 2015-2019 Strategic Plan.

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- ★ The vernal equinox is the first day of the year when we have 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of night.
- ★ “Vernal” is Latin for “spring” and “equinox” is Latin for “equal night.”
- ★ There are two equinoxes every year – vernal and autumnal. Those two days are the only times during the year when the sunrise is due east and the sunset is due west.
- ★ To many cultures around the world, the vernal equinox signals the time to start planting crops.

from: <http://tidbitfun.com/03/20/spring-fun-facts/>

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MDA Calendar



April 20, 2015	Patriots Day (MDA Office Closed)	Anniversary of the Battles of Lexington & Concord
May 8, 2015	Executive Board Meeting	MDA Central Office - Manchester
May 10, 2015	Mother's Day	Celebrate and remember
May 25, 2015	Memorial Day (MDA Office Closed)	formerly known as Decoration Day
June 11, 2015	CNA Risk Management Course	Samoset Resort
June 12-13, 2015	MDA Convention	Samoset Resort
June 12, 2015	Executive Board Meeting	Samoset Resort
June 21, 2015	Father's Day	Celebrate and remember
July 4, 2015	Independence Day (MDA Office Closed)	Federal holiday in the United States commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from Great Britain.

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Multi-professional Peer Support Group Meetings

These weekly confidential meetings (Caduceus Groups) are mutual peer support meetings for the health professionals listed above who are experienced with recovery for chemical dependency, addictive behaviors and/or other medical or mental illness, including depression. Please call the contact number listed for more information.

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Patti: (480)221-9776

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Dave: (207) 461-8724

FARMINGTON: Tuesday at 5:00 pm - UMF - Education Bldg, Rm 322
Jen: (207) 272-4449 Jack:(207) 578-0232

LEWISTON: Tuesday at 7PM - New Wing St .Mary's Hospital Front Lobby,
Julie: (207) 784-2985

PORTLAND: Wednesday at 7PM - Mercy Hospital Level B2 Upper Aud.,
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September 25, 2015 - Dr. Andrea Zandona
Dental Caries Management

October 23, 2015 - Dr. Thomas Rams
Periodontal Anti-Infective Therapy

November 13, 2015 - Dr. Steven Rasner
Oral Surgical Procedures for the General Dentist

December 11, 2015 - Dr. Harvey Levy
Successful Management of Anxious & Special Needs Patients

April 22, 2016 - Dr. Mark Wolff
New Roles for the Dentists in the Healthcare System

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June 10, 2016 - Dr. Harold Crossley
Street Drugs Exposed - What Your Patients and Your Kids Are NOT Telling You

June 11, 2016 - Dr. Harold Crossley
Want Clues to Your Patient's Health: Look at Their Medications

