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Annual Day of Free Care Planned For November 1

Mark your calendar and sign up your general or specialty practice for the 11th



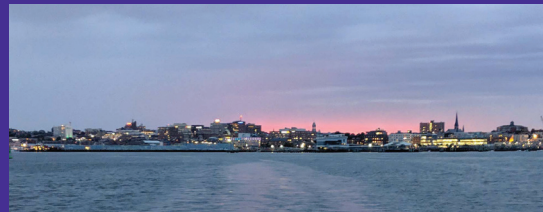
Annual Dentists Who Care for ME, a day where Maine dentists volunteer their time and offer

free care to those who need it, on Friday, November 1.

Maine dentists have treated more than 4,000 patients and donated services valued at nearly \$1.3 million in the last 10 years.

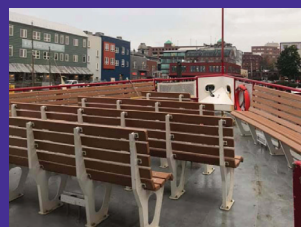
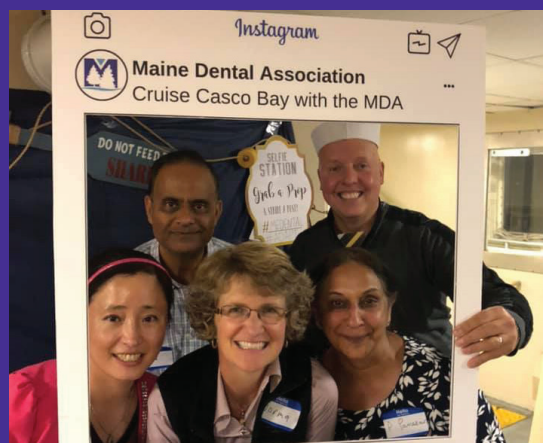
The program offers cleanings, fillings, or extractions for adults who have no

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The MDA Sets Sail

The Maine Dental Association and ADA Practice Transitions partnered to co-sponsor a networking cruise on September 26 in Casco Bay. MDA members, students, and guests all enjoyed an evening sail, along with hors d'oeuvres, music, drinks, a photo booth, and giveaways. A big thank you to Casco Bay Lines and the crew of the Wabanaki!



2019-2020 CE Series Kicks Off

The Maine Dental Association kicked off its 2019-2020 Continuing Education Series at a new location – Maple Hill Farm Inn and Conference Center in Hallowell – with courses on September 20 and October 11.

September, and Dr. Jamison Spencer lectured on “All TMJ Patients are NUTS, Right? How To Evaluate, Diagnose, and Treat the Most Common TMJ Problems” and “Obstructive Sleep Apnea: Looking Beyond The Teeth and Saving Lives” in October.

Dr. Kevin Muench presented his course “Getting To ‘YES’ ... Then What?” in

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MDA MISSION STATEMENT:

To support members in achieving excellence in dentistry

MDA VISION STATEMENT:

To be leaders in oral health in Maine



From The Executive Director's Desk: Fall Is A Busy Season

By Angela Cole Westhoff, MDA Executive Director



With the crisp air and the autumn leaves changing colors, the MDA is moving into a busy season. We just held our **Fall Networking Cruise** in Casco Bay in Portland on September 26. Over 70 dentists, students, and guests joined us for the inaugural voyage!

Live music, food, fun photo props, giveaways, and lots of camaraderie helped set the stage for a fantastic evening, despite the rain. Thanks to all who joined us, and special thanks to Dr. Suzanne Ebert and Bree Simmers from the ADA Practice Transitions program for joining us on the cruise. ADAPT co-sponsored the cruise with the MDA.

Speaking of ADAPT, the platform is live now in Maine and Wisconsin, and soon will expand into neighboring states. This new service is offered through the ADA Business Innovations Group to make the process of entering and leaving a practice both predictable and enjoyable. The purpose is to match dentists who are looking to join a practice with owners who are seeking a partner, associate, or someone to purchase their practice.

The service includes an online platform with tips, tools, and training relevant to each dentist's situation. In addition, an American Dental Association advisor is assigned to the partnership to help facilitate the process and foster a positive relationship for both parties beyond the transaction.

If you haven't heard by now, the **first two matches** were made here in Maine! We are very proud to have been an initial pilot state, and have confidence the program is going to continue to grow.

We are also in the midst of another series of **networking events for new dentists** with financial support from

the ADA Engagement Grant program. The first event was held in Bangor on October 2. Additional dates include October 23 in Saco at Run of the Mill and November 6 in Hallowell at the Quarry Tap Room. If you are a dentist in practice 10 years or less, be sure to contact the MDA to register for these networking events! The MDA New Dentist Committee is co-chaired by Dr. Christopher Murphy and Dr. Kirston Barrett.

Fall also means that the dues renewal season is upon us. Membership dues notices will be sent out at the end of October. In 2020, membership cards will be digital, as the American Dental Association is making them available online and will no longer mail physical cards. Members can still print their card, but the cards will now be accessible via smartphones and other digital devices. Members will also continue to receive their window decal through the mail.

We appreciate your ongoing support of the Maine Dental Association. Your membership dues are vital to our efforts to continue to advocate on your behalf at the state house, to provide good quality, cost-effective continuing education programs, and be a resource for dentists across the state.

The MDA is also working with the University of New England's ASDA Chapter to organize a meet and greet on **Thursday, October 24 at 6 pm** in Innovation Hall, Room 116. We invite member dentists to come network and share your experiences with future dentists. They really enjoying meeting you all! Finally, **UNE's White Coat ceremony will be held on Friday, October 25 at 6 pm** in Innovation Hall on the Portland campus. MDA Board members and staff will be in attendance.

The MDA office will be closed:

- Nov 11 (Veterans Day)
- Nov 28, 29 (Thanksgiving)
- Dec 24, 25 (Christmas)



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News from the President's Corner

Brad Rand, DDS



Continuing Your Education

Dentists are busy people! We maintain practices. We have families, hobbies, travel, civic, and other responsibilities. Most dentists I know fill every corner of their lives with good things. Continuing education can be just another thing you have to do.

The Maine Board of Dental Practice requires that dentists maintain 40 hours of continuing education that is “directly related to dental practice.” As you probably know, there was a recent change, in that practice management and other courses formerly known as “category 2” are now disallowed. This is particularly important, because we all need to renew our licenses at the end of this year. You also may want to make sure that you have completed your opioid training for this biennium.

What is your personal CE plan?

There are lots of CE opportunities out there, and of varying quality and modality. There are free courses put on by manufacturers of dental products. Your price of admission to those courses is usually advertisement of products the CE sponsor sells.

Maine has component chapters of national dental academies and study clubs that provide great opportunities for professional growth. These generally command higher costs per hour of continuing education, they have high quality CE, and provide members with an identity of belonging to a group or ideology.

There are many other organizations based in Maine and elsewhere that provide quality continuing education.

Why should you choose to take continuing education credits from the MDA?

As you have likely noticed, we have made some changes recently.

We have a new venue. We have a new look and feel. We are continuing to modernize and update the speakers and lecture topics.

As I personally did some calculations, I was shocked at how much less expensive our CE credits are per hour compared to other commercial offerings. I remember saying in a CE committee meeting: “Thinking as a business person, we need to raise our prices!” As you

can imagine, I was met with opposition. Wiser heads prevailed, and now I can say I’m proud that we can offer such quality at the price point that we do.

It’s not inexpensive to bring people out to lecture in Maine. We have been working on ways to bring higher-dollar speakers here and still keep our CE fees low. While sometimes it is nice to travel somewhere for continuing education, it’s certainly nice to have nationally-acclaimed speakers within a morning’s drive! You can get 6 or more hours of credit and be back doing what you want to do by mid-afternoon that same day!

Another benefit of in-person continuing education is networking. Last month, while I attended the MDA continuing education course, I met a dentist I didn’t know previously. We got talking about practice management, and he gave me what I’d call a “pearl” that I have been able to use in my practice. He had willingly shared something that he had learned over his career. At that same course, I was also able to talk with some new dentists that attended the lecture - perhaps something I said benefited them. It struck me that we are fortunate to have so many dentists who are willing to advance the careers of other dentists who might otherwise be seen as competition. This is one of the many reasons I truly appreciate practicing in our state.

I would invite you to evaluate your current continuing education track and see if it’s meeting your needs and goals for your professional growth:

- **Do you feel challenged academically, and is the education making you a better clinician?**
- **Do you feel like you are getting the most value for your continuing education dollar?**
- **Are you able to network and to give back to newer grads?**

If you answer no to any of these, maybe it’s time to reconsider where you commit your CE time and finances.

Lastly, if you have been wowed by someone on the lecture circuit and you think that individual would be someone of broad interest to our membership, I or anyone on the MDA’s continuing education committee would love to hear about her or him. Thank you for all you do for your communities, patients, staff, and for your profession.

I’m proud that the MDA can offer such quality continuing education at the price point that we do.

News from the First District Trustee's Corner



Judith Fisch, DDS

Now is a time for reflection, as I come to the end of my term as ADA First District Trustee. Throughout the four years, I have listened to many presentations, attended council meetings, committee meetings, and state meetings, been a part of many conversations, and the list goes on and on. At a recent board meeting, I began to reflect on all the changes that have taken place at the ADA since the tumultuous time for the ADA in 2009. Some of you may recall the events of that time frame and, for others, it doesn't really matter anymore. What does matter is the incredible amount of changes and improvements in multiple aspects of the ADA since 2009. I thought it would be beneficial to highlight them to help us see how far we have come.

To begin with, there were 106 member databases at the ADA in 2009 and, shortly after, Aptify was set in place and the process of data conversion began. Now, 48 state associations are on the Aptify platform, and this has made a huge improvement in consistency and accuracy of member data across all segments of the ADA.

The ADA Library was converted to a mostly all electronic system, and physical books and relics were archived at the ADA or returned to the lending body.

Governance training has been provided to many state associations to help increase their stability and support.

Science – funding has been provided to the Volpe Research Center to help increase the strength of their research and to support their work, as well as their patents. The science division at the ADA is also very strong and vital since the hiring of a very energetic and committed VP of the division a few years ago.

ADA Foundation – after several years of financial struggles, the foundation is now being restructured, and the Volpe Research Center will join with the ADA science division to become the ADA Research Foundation. The joining of the administration of these two will create an organized, efficient, and stronger result for our scientific research and a more unified division.

Website – the ADA website has been rebuilt to be more user-friendly and less cluttered. Through this process, we acknowledged that Google is THE search engine and the ADA's search engine can never compete with Google, nor can we afford the type of search engine Google has. So we have come to accept that our search engine can never be the same as Google, and it is understandable why members use Google!

Communications – since the hiring of a new VP of Communications, we have had amazing marketing and graphics. The numerous videos that have been produced, the graphics and research on personas, member segmentation, and advertising for find-a-dentist are examples of the stellar ideas coming out of this division, which have resulted in numerous national awards.

To say the least, this has all occurred since our current Executive Director, Dr. Kathy O'Loughlin, was hired. She has worked tirelessly since 2009 to "right the ship" and improve the efficiency and functioning of the ADA. The Council on Annual Sessions was restructured and became the Committee on Annual Meetings, with fewer members that are not district appointments. The Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs has been restructured as well to consist of fewer members and, again, not district appointments. Trustees are provided with a yearly summary of council demographics compared to best practice standards in leadership composition. Essentially, it indicates the percentage of diversity within the councils and highlights the areas that are lacking, such as new dentists, women, and ethnically diverse. It is a reminder for trustees to consider diversity when making appointments, so that the ADA leadership might eventually look like the ADA membership.

There is definitely more that has changed in these 10 years, but my goal was to present the highlights and allow us to reflect on the progress that has been made.

As I conclude my term, I want to thank each and every one of you for your support and friendship. It has been an honor and a privilege to represent the First District, and an opportunity for which I will always be forever grateful. I have been very proud of the First District, and have communicated to the board how much our district deals with all the issues facing dentistry at one time or another, and that the issues just keep rotating around through our six states. And I have made it very clear that we did not ask for all these issues at one time, but have very eloquently stepped up to the plate and dealt with them. Thank you again for all your hard work dealing with these struggles throughout the years.

Dr. Rich Rosato from New Hampshire will replace me, and will be an amazing trustee! I will return to Vermont, and, hopefully, begin to enjoy some R&R (even though my husband does not believe that is possible for me).

Again, many thanks!

STEP 1



STEP 2



STEP 3



Membership Cards Online Starting in 2020

Come 2020, the American Dental Association is making its membership cards available online and will no longer mail physical cards in an effort to improve convenience, according to the Association.

Members can still print their card. However, the cards will now be accessible via smartphones and other digital devices anytime, anywhere. In addition, ADA members will continue to receive their ADA membership window decal through the mail.

Members will be able to access their

eCards in their MyADA profile on ADA.org. By logging into ADA.org/MyADA, members can choose to print their own cards at home or save it to their smartphone's virtual wallet.

According to the American Dental Association, benefits of switching to eCards include allowing members to access their card anytime and anywhere; digital cards can't be lost or stolen; and reducing waste by not printing physical cards.

Questions? Reach out at 800-621-8099 or membership@ada.org.

Watch Mailboxes For Dues Invoices

Bills for 2020 tripartite membership dues (ADA, MDA and local component society) were mailed in the end of October. Payments are due January 1, 2020.

If you retired in 2019, or plan to retire by January 1, 2020, and have not yet notified the MDA, please do so as soon as possible. It is necessary for members to complete an Affidavit for Retired Membership to allow the MDA Office to change your dues rate.

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Dentists Who Care

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other access to dental care, as well as vouchers for specialists. Appointments are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

All of the necessary paperwork, along with patient education materials and goodie bags, will be provided.

The Maine Dental Association is again offering its help to organize Dentists Who Care for ME.

"The MDA is pleased to continue its support of this important program," said Executive Director Angela Cole Westhoff. "We are committed to aid in ensuring its continued growth."

The University of New England College of Dental Medicine, which will be opening their Oral Health Center, and practices from throughout the state are seeing patients during this year's Dentists Who Care for ME.

If you and/or your office are interested in volunteering, contact the Maine Dental Association Office at (207) 622-7900 or email info@medental.org for a registration form.



November 1, 2019

This year is the 11th annual event - please consider getting involved!

For more information, contact the MDA Office at (207) 622-7900 or email info@medental.org

Allied Dental Team Members Can Join MDA

The Maine Dental Association has added hygienists, assistants, lab technicians, and dental office staff members as allied dental team members, as the MDA feels that the Association can only become stronger by including all dental professionals.

A MDA allied dental team member is defined as "a licensed dental hygienist in good standing in the state of Maine, a dental assistant, a dental laboratory technician, or a dental administrative staff person working or residing in Maine."

Among the benefits of becoming a

MDA allied dental member:

- Quarterly lecture series
- An e-newsletter specifically for allied dental team members
- Quarterly printed newsletter
- CE course discounts

The annual fee to be an allied dental team member is \$50, with a membership cycle from January 1 to December 31.

If you would like to become a MDA allied dental team member for 2020, or for more information, go to www.medental.org and click on ADT Membership, or call (207) 622-7900.

Diversion Awareness Training November 6

The Drug Enforcement Administration's New England Field Division will be offering a practitioner diversion awareness training session on Wednesday, November 6 at the Augusta Civic Center.

The program is free for DEA registrants and registration can be to attend in-person or for a live stream feed. To register, and for more information, go to <https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/mtgs/index.html>.



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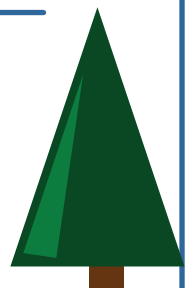
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CE Series

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“The MDA CE Committee has been working diligently to revamp our continuing education series, starting with a new venue at Maple Hill Farm,” said MDA Executive Director Angela Cole Westhoff. “The feedback we have received has been overwhelmingly positive.”

Package Plans for dentists, hygienists/assistants/staff members, and allied dental team members are available, and you can also sign up for courses individually. Online registration is available by going to www.medentalce.org. You can also go to www.medental.org, and click on Continuing Education, to find a registration form and the 2019-2020 CE brochure.

The following is a schedule of upcoming courses that are included in the Maine Dental Association’s 2019-2020 Continuing Education Series:

MDA, AGD OFFERING HANDS-ON COURSE

The MDA is partnering with the Maine Academy of General Dentistry to present a hands-on workshop, “Clinical Endodontics for the General Dentist,” on Saturday, November 23 at Maple Hill Farm Inn and Conference Center, starting at 9 am. For details and registration information, go to www.medental.org, and click on Continuing Education.

November 22, 2019

Emerging Trends and Hot Topics for the Entire Dental Team
Dr. Cathy Turbyne
(Maple Hill Farm)

December 6, 2019

The Impact of Alternative Medicine on Dentistry/Update on Oral Health Products
Karen Baker
(Maple Hill Farm)

March 13, 2020

Elevating Your Restorative Practice
Dr. Marcos Vargas
(Maple Hill Farm)

April 10, 2020

Oral Ulcers, Erosions and Red Lesions/ The Cancer Patient/Oral White Lesions
Dr. Sook-Bin Woo
(Maple Hill Farm)

May 29, 2020

Integrative Approaches to Pain/ Life Is Your Best Medicine
Dr. Tieraona Low Dog
(MDA 2020 Annual Convention)

May 30, 2020

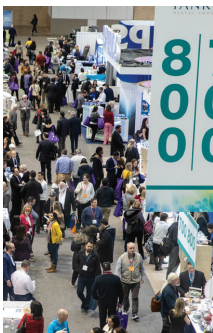
25 Shades of Grey and a Whole Lot Less Risqué/Great Cases with New Faces
Dr. John Svirsky
(MDA 2020 Annual Convention)

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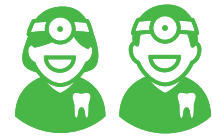
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Low Dog, Svirsky To Present at 2020 MDA Convention at Samoset Resort

Don't miss the 2020 Maine Dental Association Annual Convention, May 28-30, at the Samoset Resort in Rockport.

Perched on 230 waterfront acres overlooking Penobscot Bay, the Samoset Resort has a rich history that dates back to 1889, and offers elegant accommodations, oceanside dining, an 18-hole championship golf course, a 200,000-gallon "zero entry" pool and multi-tiered deck, spa and salon, Ultimate Backyard, and Samoset Kids Club.

Dr. Tieraona Low Dog and Dr. John Svirsky will both be presenting at the event.

Dr. Low Dog, whose presentation will include "Integrative Approaches to Pain" and "Life Is Your Best Medicine," is a physician, author, and educator. She practiced herbal medicine, midwifery, massage therapy, and martial arts before earning her medical degree from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine. She is one of the foremost experts in the United States on the safe and appropriate use of botanical remedies and dietary supplements. She has overseen the evaluation panel for supplement/botanical safety for United States Pharmacopeia, including joint reviews with the Department of Defense, for the past 20 years. Dr. Low Dog has published 54 research articles in medical/science journals, and written 24 chapters for medical textbooks. She has been honored with many awards from academia, public health, and industry throughout her 40-year

career. She has been invited to speak at more than 600 conferences. She has authored five books.

Dr. Svirsky will present "25 Shades of Grey and a Whole Lot Less Risqué" and "Great Cases with New Faces." He is a board-certified oral and maxillofacial pathologist at Virginia Commonwealth University, and has developed a broad background in research, published numerous articles in dental literature, and earned a master's degree in adult education. He is a sought-after speaker, with an international reputation as an informative and entertaining lecturer. He is an honorary member of the Thomas P. Hinman Dental Society, and has received a presidential citation from the American Dental Association for significant contributions to the health of the public and the profession of dentistry. The Alumni Association of Virginia Commonwealth University chose Dr. Svirsky to receive the 2013 Outstanding Alumnus Award. In 2015, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the

Dawson Academy for advancement of the dental profession through research, publication, and education, and has been awarded an honorary membership in the American Academy of Oral Medicine.

Dr. Low Dog's presentation will be offered on Friday, May 29, and is part of the 2019-2020 Hygienist/Assistant/Staff Member Package Plan. Dr. Svirsky's presentation will be offered on Saturday, May 30, and is part of the Dentist Package Plan.

The annual Risk Management Seminar will be offered Thursday, May 28 at the Samoset from 12:30 to 5 p.m. The Risk Management Seminar is not part of any Package Plan.

Exhibitors will also be in attendance at the convention on Friday, May 30.

Watch for convention and Risk Management Seminar registration forms to be coming soon, as well as the 2020 Annual Convention brochure.

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MDA Member Dentists Inducted Into ICD, Receive Awards From AGD

Maine dentists were inducted into the International College of Dentistry, and were Academy of General Dentistry awardees, recently.

The International College of Dentists USA Section presented Dr. David Kerr, who practices in Portland and is the MDA Board of Directors President-Elect, with a membership plaque, gold lapel pin, and gold key for his induction as a fellow of the College at its 85th Annual Convocation on September 6.

The ICD is “dedicated to the recognition of outstanding professional achievement, meritorious service, and the continued progress in the profession of dentistry for the benefit of all humankind.”

At the regalia ceremony, 350 dentists from the United States and abroad were inducted into the ICD. The College, with representative chapters in more than 123 countries, has over 11,000 members, including about 6,500 in the



INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS



United States.

The Academy of General Dentistry announced that Dr. Benjamin Lawlor, who practices in Gray, received a Fellowship Award, and Dr. Nicholas Roy, who practices in Buxton, received a Mastership award during the AGD's Convocation Ceremony, held at the AGD's scientific session on July 18 - 19, 2019, in Uncasville, Connecticut.

Drs. Lawlor and Roy accepted their awards along with over 200 other recipients.

In order to receive the fellowship award, Dr. Lawlor completed 500 hours of continuing dental education, passed a comprehensive written exam, and

fulfilled three years of continuing membership with AGD. As a recipient of the award, Dr. Lawlor has joined a group of more than 17,340 members of the dental community.

To earn Mastership in the AGD, you must complete several requirements, including completing at least 1,100 hours of approved CE as an AGD member, with at least 400 hours of CE being from participation courses in specific disciplines and at least 600 hours meeting minimum hour requirements in specific disciplines.

The AGD is a professional association of more than 40,000 general dentists dedicated to providing quality dental care and oral health education to the public.



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ADA Backs Legislation On Vaping Devices

FROM ADA NEWS

The ADA reiterated its support for legislation aimed at regulating vaping devices and liquids in the same manner the Food and Drug Administration regulates cigarettes and other tobacco products.

In an Oct. 15 letter to Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Health Chair Anna Eshoo, D-Calif., and Ranking Member Michael Burgess, R-Texas, the ADA urged legislators to favorably consider HR 2339, the Reversing the Youth Tobacco Epidemic Act of 2019.

The bill would:

- Require FDA to implement the graphic health warnings for cigarette packages (which includes an oral cancer image) within 12 months.
- Extend the federal tobacco advertising and sales requirements to vaping devices and other types of nicotine products.

- Regulate vaping devices and other products covered by the Tobacco Control Act in the same manner as cigarettes and smokeless tobacco.
- Raise the minimum age for purchasing nontobacco nicotine products to 21.
- Prohibit non-face-to-face sales of all tobacco products, including e-cigarettes and e-cigarette accessories.
- Prohibit all characterizing flavors of tobacco products, including menthol.

The letter was sent ahead of the committee's Oct. 16 hearing on the bill, namely its provisions to regulate electronic nicotine delivery systems.

In supporting the legislation, ADA President Chad P. Gehani and Executive Director Kathleen T. O'Loughlin wrote that tobacco use is "causally associated" with higher rates of tooth decay, receding gums, periodontal disease, mucosal lesions, bone damage, tooth loss, jaw bone loss, and more.

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National Children's Dental Health Month's Focus For 2020 - Fluoridation

FROM ADA NEWS

2020 will mark the 75th anniversary of community water fluoridation, and the ADA is helping dentists celebrate the occasion as National Children's Dental Health Month approaches.

In honor of the program, the slogan for the 2020 National Children's Dental Health Month is "Fluoride in water prevents cavities! Get it from the tap!"

Brought to the public by the ADA, National Children's Dental Health Month is held every February as a month-long national health observance that brings together thousands of dedicated professionals, health care providers and educators to promote the benefits of good oral health to children, their caregivers, teachers, and many others.

"National Children's Dental Health Month has a special meaning now that I am a grandmother," said Dr. Bonita D. Neighbors, a former member of the ADA Council on Dental Practice who also served on the National Fluoridation Advisory Committee. "Drinking fluoridated tap water supports my granddaughter's health through proper hydration and by preventing cavities. As a profession, let's celebrate with our patients and our community one of

the top 10 public health achievements of the 20th century, community water fluoridation. As dentists, we know the important role of pediatric oral health on systemic health and disease prevention."

Free posters — with English on the front, Spanish on the back — about the observance are available to order on the National Children's Dental Health Month website, ADA.org/ncdhm. They can also be downloaded and printed in poster and flyer size.

Other NCDHM materials on the website include:

- A 2020 National Children's Dental Health Month program planning guide, which offers resources that promote the benefits of good oral health to children. The guide includes easy-to-do activities, program planning timetable tips, a sample National Children's Dental Health Month proclamation and more.
- Publicity resources, including a create-your-own press release, radio broadcasting tips and sample newspaper articles.
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