

**UNOFFICIAL REPORT OF MAJOR ACTIONS  
COUNCIL ON DENTAL EDUCATION AND LICENSURE  
January 17-18, 2019**

The Council on Dental Education and Licensure (CDEL) met on January 17-18, 2019 at the ADA Headquarters Building in Chicago. The following is a summary of actions taken by the Council:

1. Confirmed its priorities and projects for 2019, in light of the ADA Strategic Plan and the Council's defined responsibilities.
2. Considered Unofficial Actions of the 2018 ADA House of Delegates and resolutions assigned to the Council for action.
3. Received a briefing by Dr. Kathleen O'Loughlin on Association matters.
4. Discussed licensure-related initiatives underway and supported the Board of Trustees action to be a founding member of the Coalition for Modernizing Dental Licensure with the American Student Dental Association and American Dental Education Association.
5. Directed that written comments be sent to the Commission on Dental Accreditation regarding proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs, Advanced Education Programs in Dental Anesthesiology, Advanced Education Programs in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics, Dental Assisting Education Programs, and Dental Hygiene Education Programs.
6. Directed that written comment be sent to the Commission for Continuing Education Provider Recognition supporting the proposed amendment to the ADA CERP Eligibility Criteria whereas commercial entities would no longer be eligible for ADA CERP recognition.
7. Directed that written comment be sent to the Commission on Recognition of Dental Specialties and Certifying Boards noting the Council's conclusion that the application submitted by the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists to the National Commission meets the *ADA Requirements for Recognition of Dental Specialties* and urging that dental anesthesiology be recognized as a dental specialty.
8. As requested, provided guidance and examples to the National Commission on Recognition of Dental Specialties and Certifying Boards related to how a certifying board may document a close working relationship with its sponsoring organization, while maintaining operational independence for its certification examination.
9. Directed that steps be taken to better inform the communities of interest (e.g., members, delegates, state dental associations and state dental boards) on the roles and responsibilities of the Council on Dental Education and Licensure, the National Commission on Recognition of Dental Specialties and Certifying Boards and the Commission on Dental Accreditation.
10. Accepted the 2018 annual reports of the National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology and Dental Assisting National Board, Inc.

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