

**UNOFFICIAL REPORT OF MAJOR ACTIONS
COUNCIL ON DENTAL EDUCATION AND LICENSURE
June 19-20, 2023**

The Council on Dental Education and Licensure (CDEL) met on June 19-20, 2023, at ADA Headquarters. The following is a summary of major actions taken by the Council:

1. Approved transmitting resolutions to the 2023 House of Delegates proposing:
 - Amendment of the policy, Guidelines for the Use of Sedation and General Anesthesia by Dentists
 - Amendment of the policy, Guidelines for Teaching Pain Control and Sedation to Dentists and Dental Students
2. Affirmed that the following ADA policy be retained as written and that this be reported to the 2023 House of Delegates:
 - ADA Policy Statement: The Use of Sedation and General Anesthesia by Dentists
3. Received a briefing by ADA Executive Director, Dr. Raymond Cohlma, on his focus and vision for the ADA's future.
4. Received an update on the aggregate results of the Spectra Diversity and Inclusion Assessment.
5. Received a progress report on the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact. The development of the model legislation was funded by the US Department of Defense, managed by the Council of State Governments (CSG) and supported by the ADA and American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA). Three states have enacted the model legislation and four states have legislation pending with additional states likely to introduce legislation in 2023. Planning for advocacy efforts in 2024 are underway including a Legislative Summit hosted by CSG scheduled in September 2023.
6. Directed that written comment be transmitted to the Commission on Dental Accreditation supporting the proposed revision to Standard 3-6 of the Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs and the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Public Health. The Council also supported the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain with an additional proposed amendment to Standard 2-10.
7. Directed that the number of Dental Admission Test (DAT) partial fee waivers for first attempts be increased from 200 to 400 with the additional partial fee waivers (200) designated specifically for historically underrepresented racial and ethnic (HURE) candidates and available in 2024. Additionally the Council directed that the partial fee waivers be released at strategic intervals throughout the calendar year. The Council also directed that all candidates who receive a partial fee waiver on their first attempt receive a partial fee waiver on the first retest attempt and a full fee waiver on their first DAT practice test.
8. Awarded Dr. Jennifer Marie Forsythe, Dr. Kimberly Wade and Dr. Caroline Zeller the 2023 CDEL Tuition Scholarship to the Academy for Academic Leadership's Institution for Teaching and Learning.
9. Received a presentation from the Chief Staff Executive of the National Association of Dental Laboratories (NADL) and National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology (NBC) about potential actions to address the decline of CODA-accredited dental laboratory technology programs and the decline of the number of certified dental technicians. The Council directed that written comment be transmitted to the Commission on Dental Accreditation and National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology urging discussion about proposing a comprehensive review of the accreditation standards for Dental Laboratory Technicians.

10. Appointed two individuals to serve on the Council's Committee on Anesthesiology and one individual to serve on the Dental Admission Testing Committee; approved appointments to the Admission Test Constructor Pools; adopted the Strategic Goals and Roadmap for the DAT program; and approved the development of a proposal outlining the potential development of an ethics section for the DAT.
11. Reviewed a proposed resolution from the Council on Membership to establish a Tripartite membership pathway for foreign-trained dental school faculty members.
12. Elected Dr. Najia Usman to serve as the Council chair and Dr. Jason A. Tanguay to serve as the vice-chair for 2023-2024.

CDEL Members:

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