

**UNOFFICIAL REPORT OF MAJOR ACTIONS
COUNCIL ON DENTAL EDUCATION AND LICENSURE
January 18-19, 2024**

The Council on Dental Education and Licensure (CDEL) met on January 18-19, 2024, at ADA Headquarters. The following is a summary of major actions taken by the Council:

1. Approved transmitting resolutions to the 2024 House of Delegates proposing amendment to the following policies:
 - Development of Alternate Pathways for Dental Hygiene Training
 - Criteria for Recognition of a Certification Board for Dental Assistants
2. Approved transmitting resolutions to the 2024 House of Delegates proposing rescission of the following policies:
 - Dentist Administered Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene Education Programs
3. Reviewed and affirmed that the following ADA policies be retained as written and that this be reported to the 2024 House of Delegates:
 - Statement on Credentialing Dental Assistants
 - Certifying Board in Dental Assisting
 - Criteria for Recognition of a Certification Board for Dental Laboratory Technicians
 - Certifying Board in Dental Laboratory Technology
4. Received a briefing by ADA Executive Director, Dr. Raymond Cohlma, on recent and future changes at the ADA.
5. Received a progress report on the Dentist and Dental Hygienist (DDH) Compact. Currently three states have enacted the model legislation, and 12 states have legislation pending with additional states likely to introduce legislation in 2024.
6. Approved CDEL priorities and projects for 2024 in light of the priorities identified by the Strategic Forecasting Committee and the Council's defined responsibilities.
7. Directed that written comment be transmitted to the Commission on Dental Accreditation supporting the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (Residency). The Council also supported the proposed revisions related to the changing landscape of health care delivery centers to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry, General Practice Residency, Dental Public Health, Endodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (Residency), Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics (Residency), Craniofacial and Special Care Orthodontics, Pediatric Dentistry, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain.
8. Requested the ADA Department of Continuing Education (CE) conduct the proposed CE Pilot Program with monthly progress reports to the Council and CE Committee and a final report to the Council's June 2024 meeting.
9. Directed that a scoping review on moderate sedation in adults be conducted and agreed that within six months of receiving the results of the scoping review the Council will facilitate a Dental Anesthesia Provider Summit as requested by the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons with the primary objective of updating the ADA Guidelines for the Use of Sedation and General Anesthesia by Dentists.
10. Reviewed the Unofficial Actions of the 2023 House of Delegates and resolutions assigned to the Council for follow-up.

- In response to the referral for further study of Resolutions 401H-2023 and 401S-1H-2023 regarding amendment of the Comprehensive Policy on Dental Licensure, the Council considered and approved transmitting a resolution to the 2024 House of Delegates proposing additional amendments to the policy.
- In response to Resolution 408H-2023, directed that the Dental Education Committee conduct a scan of currently available allied dental career guidance resources and collaborate with other ADA councils and departments to review the resources and make recommendations on ways to enhance the current offerings, and report its findings for consideration at the June 2024 Council meeting.
- In response to Resolution 409H-2023, directed that the Council send written correspondence to the Commission on Dental Accreditation urging the Commission to: demonstrate transparent methodology for the establishment of faculty-to-student ratios and educational requirements for part-time and adjunct faculty in Allied Dental Education Programs; permit Registered Allied personnel with ten or more years of experience to work as part-time or adjunct clinical and laboratory faculty in Allied Dental Education Programs that have other faculty who meet educational degree requirements; and revise the clinical and laboratory faculty-to-student ratios in Dental Hygiene Education Programs to 1:6.

11. Accepted the 2023 annual reports of the National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology and the Dental Assisting National Board, Inc.

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