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A Letter from the DC Dental Society President Julian Moiseiwitsch, BDS, PhD



Dr. Julian Moiseiwitsch

Dear Colleagues:

I want to thank everyone who was able to attend last month's Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting that occurred March 24-26 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center. Though attendance was markedly down compared to prior years, attendee feedback both on the quality of the meeting program and the manner in which the event was run were high. My sincere thanks go out to 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Committee Chair Dr. Said Mokhtarzadeh for all his

tireless work over the past two years to put together such a high caliber meeting. I also want to thank the members of the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Committee—Dr. Luis Barr, Dr. Ladan Basiri, Dr. Carol Blake, Dr. Larry Bowers, Dr. Kathryn Clark, Dr. Luz Driscoll, Dr. Ali Fassihi, Dr. Nishan Halim, Dr. Chris Loukaitis, Dr. Kim Menhinick, Dr. Michael Pollowitz, Dr. Catherine Pulse, Dr. Andrew Schwartz, Dr. David Spiegelman, and Dr. Selen Tolu—for their efforts in both the planning and onsite implementation of the meeting. It is only through the active work of our member volunteers are we able to put together such a wonderful meeting.

The long-term viability of our Society is directly related to the success of our annual meeting; and it will take all of us, working together to realize this goal. In the coming weeks the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Committee, Advisory Committee for the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting, Finance and Advisory Committee and the Board will be working together to review the 2016 Annual Meeting data and begin planning for the 2017 Annual Meeting.

Finally, my thanks go out to all of our members who nominated themselves or a deserving colleague for consideration to serve on the Society board or a committee for the 2016- 2017 term. As you all know, volunteers are the lifeblood of our organization, and I'm glad to see so many of our members, both new and established, stepping up to fill these roles. Nominees for officer and board positions will be announced at the April 12th Monthly Meeting.

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The Awards & Nominating Committee is currently reviewing committee nominations and will send their formal recommendation to the board later this month and an announcement made to the membership in May.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or anyone on the Society's board should you have any questions or comments.

We are DCDS: passionate about our profession, our community, and our future!

Sincerely,

Julian Moiseiwitsch, B.D.S., Ph.D. President, DC Dental Society

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Thank You for Attending the 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting

The DC Dental Society wishes to thank everyone who attended the 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting. Your commitment to the dental industry and the Society are what made this meeting successful. Additionally, thank you to all of our volunteers who helped introduce all of our speakers and check-in attendees! Lastly, thank you to all of our exhibitors and sponsors!

Thank You to Our 2016 Sponsors!













If you attended the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting, your feedback is wanted to help provide the meeting organizers with valuable insight into how we can better deliver a meaningful and informative meeting to you and other future attendees. We encourage you to share your opinions and complete the 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Evaluation by Monday, April 11. The survey takes between 5-10 minutes to complete and allows us to improve on your experience and further support our members and the industry as a whole. We look forward to reviewing your feedback.

2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Committee

Dr. Said Mokhtarzadeh, General Chairman

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2016 Advisory Committee to the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting

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Thank you Dr. Said Mokhtarzadeh for all of your tireless work over the past two years to put together such a high caliber meeting!

Left: Doug Fesler, DCDS Executive Director; Dr. Julian Moiseiwitsch, DCDS President; and Dr. Said Mokhtarzadeh, Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting General Chairman

Right Top: Attendees interacting with exhibitors, learning about their products and forming professional connections

Right Middle: Drs. Julian Moiseiwitsch, Steven Guttenberg, Carol Summerhays (ADA President), Sally Cram, Pat Grogan, Steven Tigani, and Chris Loukaitis at the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting VIP Reception and Dinner at the Newseum

Right Bottom: Attendees interacting with exhibitors, learning about their products and forming professional connections

Join Us for the April 12th CE Meeting

The next DC Dental Society monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 12th at the Westin Georgetown and will feature a presentation by Dr. Jonelle Grant-Anamelechi titled "Pediatric Dental Trauma Management for the Non Pediatric Dentist."

Session Abstract

This session will be a lively review of common pediatric dental trauma clinical scenarios and management for the non-pediatric dentist.

Learning Objectives

- 1. Review common pediatric dental trauma scenarios and management including specialty care
- 2. Review IADT guidelines for pediatric dental trauma

Members planning to attend the April meeting should RSVP <u>online</u>, by phone at (202) 367-1163, or via email at <u>info@dcdental.org</u> before noon on Tuesday, April 12th.

PRESENTATION TOPIC

Pediatric Dental Trauma Management for the Non Pediatric Dentist

SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m. - Networking Reception 5:45 p.m. - Business Meeting 6:00 p.m. - Presentation

LOCATION

Westin Georgetown 2350 M St NW Washington, DC 20037



Jonelle Grant-Anamelechi, DDS

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The DC Dental Society designates this activity for 2 continuing education credits.

Foundation Seeking Donations to Purchase White Coats for HUCD Graduates

The DCDS Foundation is calling upon Howard University College of Dentistry (HUCD) alumni, Foundation mentors and DCDS members to support the 2016 HUCD class by making a donation to this year's "White Coat Fund". White Coats will be presented to each graduate during the May graduation ceremony. Your donation will help to defray the cost of the coats.

The recommended donation is \$50 which covers the cost of one white coat. You may give a general donation or specify a specific student which you would like to sponsor. Those interested in donating should contact HUCD Alumni Association President Dr. HUCDAA Reginald Salter on Facebook or by email at rsalterdds@gmail.com. Or you can mail a check, made payable to "HUCD Class of 2016", to:

Dr. Reginald Salter
Howard University College of Dentistry
Alumni Association
600 W Street NW
Washington DC 20059

Let's demonstrate to our graduates the support we expect of them as future dental professionals and the pride we have in welcoming them into organized dentistry.

Catholic Charities Dental Clinic Seeking Volunteers

The DC Dental Society is incredibly thankful for our members who volunteer their time, and have faithfully done so over the last 30 years, to the Spanish Catholic Charity Dental Clinic in Washington, DC. You all have built up a legacy that continues to the present and extends into the future.

The Spanish Catholic Center DC Dental Clinic provides a full complement of family dental services including: cleanings, x-rays, dental hygiene education, fluoride treatments, emergency visits, extractions, restorative (including crowns), pediatric and adult root canals, and dentures. The updated modern clinic, established in 1975, has five operatories, one full-time salaried dentist, one full-time hygienist, volunteer hygienists, three full-time salaried dental assistants and two receptionist/front desk employees. Volunteer specialists treat patients at the clinic as well as off-site at their own private office. The clinic gets approximately 6,000 total visits per year and 2,100 new patient visits. The mission of the Spanish Catholic Center Dental Clinic is to provide dental services to low income, uninsured patients in the DC area. Therefore, the clinic does not accept patients with private dental insurance or Medicaid.

SCC is extending an open invitation to DCDS members and all DC licensed dentists and hygienists to visit the DC dental clinic to talk to the providers and staff there and check out SCC's facility, including the newly renovated laboratory. Ultimately, SCC hopes that you and/or your dental office staff will donate your time and services to the clinic as they are greatly needed. Your time will not go unrewarded.

The SCC DC Dental Clinic is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with three evening clinics from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information on how to get involved with the SCC DC Dental Clinic, please contact Livia Amezcua, Director of Dental Services at livia.amezcua@catholiccharitiesdc.org or call 202-939 2400 ext. 925

Election for Open Alternate Delegate Position Set for April 12th

The contested election for the Society's one open alternate delegate position to the ADA House of Delegates will occur on Tuesday, April 12th prior to the Monthly Meeting at the Westin Georgetown. Each candidate, Dr. Eugene Giannini and Dr. Angela Noguera, will give a two minute speech to the membership prior to the opening of voting. Biographies and statements of interest from each candidate are below.

Eugene Giannini, DDS



I am asking your support to serve our society as an alternate delegate to the ADA. I am proud to be a DCDS/ADA member dentist. Our delegation to the ADA serves to bring the voices of our society's members to our national organization. In attending our regional caucus, the delegation represents our society's members and the issues important to us. When our local regional caucus attends the national meeting, our delegates work to strengthen these relationships to promote our society. It involves being aware of the issues facing our profession and advocating in the interests of our members.

My commitment to organized dentistry began my freshman year at Georgetown, when I served as an ADA Washington intern. Continuing as the legislative consultant for the American Student Dental Association (ASDA), I was elected to serve two terms as ASDA's National Vice President. I served on the ADA's Council on Legislation as an ASDA representative and saw how the work of

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volunteer dentists enacts change in the ADA House of Delegates. I was there when the ASDA President became a member of the ADA House in 1985.

After dental school and residency, my return to DC allowed me to become a part of this dynamic dental society. My business partner and mentor, Dr. Bernie McDermott was an influential part of my continued involvement in organized dentistry. After several years serving on committees, I chaired our annual meeting and subsequently served as DCDS President. I was fortunate to serve a 4-year term on the ADA's Council on Communication and also sat as a consultant on the ADA's Council on Government Affairs.

My interest in legislative matters affecting our profession resulted in me chairing DCDS's Public Policy Committee where I have been able to advocate our profession's interests before members of the DC Board of Dentistry, DC City Council and other health related groups. I continue to represent DCDS on the national level at the ADPAC and ADA Lobbyists conferences.

Being a small dental society does not mean that we have to have a small voice. DCDS has a strong reputation on the national level in providing leadership and we have our current delegation to thank for this. I have worked to foster the relationships that began in my early years of involvement and they have grown to a network of ADA member dentists, delegates and others who are committed to strengthening our profession. I believe that I have demonstrated to my fellow members that I have a proven record of service and results. I know what it takes to serve on the national level and I am prepared to continue the excellent work of Dr. Alan Singer in advancing DCDS and our profession in the coming years. I ask you for your support in this election.

Angela P. Noguera, DDS, MS



I am an active member of the DCDS for more than 25 years. I have served on numerous Society committees, culminating in the chairmanship of the Nation's Capital Dental Meeting (NCDM), in 2003. I rose into leadership becoming Vice-President, President-Elect and finally, President in 2006. Subsequently, I was active on the Finance and Advisory Committee, Chaired Give Kids a Smile Day, and was a member of the Advisory Committee to the NCDM. I am currently an active member of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Outside the DCDS, I hold membership with the Hispanic Dental Society, am a former President of both the Maimonides Dental Society and the Edward C. Penick Endodontic Study Club; the most prestigious Endodontic Club in the nation. I have volunteered with the Spanish Catholic

Center Dental Clinic for over 25 years, and I currently hold a seat on the Advisory Council of Hispanic and Latino Affairs of Catholic Charities. I am an assistant professor at GW University, Oral & Maxillo-Facial Surgery and Dentistry division of the Surgery Department. I graduated from University of Maryland, BCDS, Postgraduate-Endodontic program in 1988 with a degree of Master in Science and a Certificate in Endodontics. I became a Board Certified Endodontist in 1994. I am married to Dr. Ali Fassihi and have three daughters, Eliana, Maryam and Roxana.

I am interested in serving on the delegation because I feel strongly that I can have an impact in carrying the voice of our members to the ADA House of Delegates. I am in touch with the everyday needs, challenges and concerns of our profession. My work as a volunteer and business owner has given me a unique perspective of the challenges we all face as dentists. Most importantly, times are changing and we must adjust as well, in order to represent and advance our profession. The demographics of the DCDS membership have changed dramatically over the last decade. Our membership reflects the evolution in our nation, as both have become increasingly diverse racially and ethnically. As a Hispanic woman, I feel I would bring "diversity" to our delegation that more accurately represents the make-up of our society. If elected, I will bring new energy and full commitment to ensure our issues are heard at the national level. I am a true representative of the DCDS mission statement: passionate about our profession, our community and our future!











We can't wait to see everyone again at the 2017 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting!

Top: 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Onsite Guide

Left Middle: Attendees in one of the many sessions held at the 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental meeting, learning valuable information to help better themselves in the dental field.

Right Middle and Left Bottom: Friends and exhibitor in the exhibit hall enjoying the meeting

Right Bottom: Attendees interacting with exhibitors, learning about their products and forming professional connections

Nominations Open for Several ADA Council and Commission Appointments

Several ADA Councils and Commissions are seeking recommendations for appointments from the Fourth District.

The Fourth District will appoint a member to the following Councils:

- Council on Access, Prevention and Inter-professional Relations (CAPIR)
- Council on Dental Benefit Programs (CDBP)
- Council on Member Insurance and Retirement Plans (CMIRP)

In addition, the ADA Board will appoint members to the following Council and Commissions:

- Commission for Continuing Education Provide Recognition (CCEPR)
- Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)
- Council on Scientific Affairs (CSA)

Nomination forms for each of these Councils and Commissions, which list eligibility requirements and selection criteria, are attached. Also attached is the <u>conflict of interest form</u>.

Interested individuals must submit a completed nomination form for the specific Council or Commission he or she is interested in, a signed conflict of interest form, and a CV to the DC Dental Society Business Office via email at info@dcdental.org or fax at (202) 367-2163. The DCDS Board will review all nominations and forward Board endorsed forms to current ADA Fourth District Trustee Jeffrey M. Cole, MBA, FAGD. Please note that the "Statement of Qualifications of Nominee" section of the nomination form must be filled out and must contain a short biography of the applicant, which should include a list of qualifications. This section is important as this narrative is all that will be forwarded to the Board and to the House of Delegates to review if appointed. Additionally, the conflict of interest form must be signed by hand; an electronic signature will not be sufficient.

The deadline to submit a nomination form for the Council on Scientific Affairs (CSA) to DCDS Staff is April 13, 2016. The deadline for all other recommendations is April 25, 2016.

Please note that no individual can serve on more than one Council or Commission at a given time. Additionally, there is a two-year waiting period form the time an individual completes his or her service on a Council or Commission and the time he or she can be appointed to another.

Should you have any questions about the nomination form or process, please feel free to contact the DC Dental Society via email at info@dcdental.org.

Oral Cancer Foundation 5K Walk/Run



The 2nd annual Oral Cancer Foundation (OCF) 5K Walk/Run In Memory of Peter McGee Hoffman will take place on April 16, 2016. This is the only oral cancer awareness event in the Washington D.C. area with the mission of informing the community of the signs of oral cancer, and raising money to help OCF spread awareness on a national level. The District of Columbia Dental Society Foundation is a proud sponsor of this event. To learn more about the event please visit Peterswalkrun.com or Facebook.













Thank You to Our Volunteers! Why do you volunteer?

Top Left to Bottom Left: Dr. Luis Barr; Drs. Scott Hetz and Andrew Schwartz; and Dr. Selen Tolu

Right Top to Right Bottom: Dr. Julian Moiseiwitsch, DCDS President and Dr. Said Mokhtarzadeh, 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting General Chairman; Drs. David Spiegelman and Ali Fassihi; and Dr. Chris Loukaitis, 2017 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting General Chairman

CMS Delays Enforcement of Medicare Part D Prescriber Enrollment to February 2017

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is delaying enforcement of the Part D Prescriber Enrollment Requirements until **February 1, 2017**. With the revised date, prescribers will have sufficient time to complete their enrollment activities.

CMS also strongly encourages prescribers of Part D drugs (except those who meet the definition of "other authorized prescribers") to submit their Medicare enrollment applications or opt-out affidavits to their Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) before **August 1, 2016**. This should provide the MACs with sufficient time to process the prescribers' applications or opt out affidavits and thus prevent prescription drug claims associated with their prescriptions from being rejected by Part D plans beginning **February 1, 2017**.

Questions concerning this announcement may be addressed to PartDPolicy@cms.hhs.gov.

If you need assistance with the process of enrolling in (or validly opting out) of Medicare, please contact the MAC within your geographic area. To locate your MAC, please refer to the MAC list on the CMS website at: go.cms.gov/partdmaclist.

Please visit the CMS Part D Prescriber Enrollment website at <u>go.cms.gov/PrescriberEnrollment</u> for helpful information about the requirements of enrollment.

First Nutrition Roadmap Crosses Health Disciplines

How can dentists and other health professionals better understand nutrition in order to help people improve and sustain their overall health?

The nation's first Nutrition Research Roadmap, released March 4 by the Interagency Committee on Human Nutrition Research, identifies that as well as several other key areas for research from 2016-20.

"Nutrition research now requires approaches that cross traditional health-related fields," stated the committee, adding that dentistry, dietetics, medicine and genetics can all play a role in improving the public's eating habits.

The ADA, which contributed <u>comments</u> in June 2015, was encouraged by the new roadmap, which shows the significance of the interdependent relationship between diet, nutrition and oral health.

"The ADA is pleased that the new roadmap incorporates dentistry and oral health throughout, and that the Interagency Committee on Human Nutrition Research is aware that eating patterns and nutritional status affect oral health," said ADA President Carol Gomez Summerhays.

In addition to improving eating habits, the roadmap also calls for an increased focus on federal research in hope that it will lead to more individualized advice for promoting health and preventing disease. This includes improving research gaps in nutrition-related chronic diseases and health disparities, particularly for at—risk groups such as pregnant women, children and older adults. It also gives special consideration in understanding the role of nutrition for optimal performance and military readiness.

Find out more about the ADA's nutrition-related activities at ADA.org/nutrition.

The Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting is for everyone! Bring the entire dental office staff next year!



Left to Right: Doug Fesler, DCDS
Executive Director; Dr. Jeffrey Cole,
ADA 4th District Trustee, Dr. George
Shepley, Maryland State Dental
Association Past-President, Dr. Sally
Cram, DCDS ADA Delegate, Dr. Pat
Grogan, DCDS ADA Delegate, Dr. Said
Mokhtarzadeh, Mid-Atlantic Dental
Meeting General Chairman

Middle: Friends attending the 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting together.

See you next year!



Bottom Left: Attendees interacting with exhibitors in the hall

HIPAA Audits May Come for Dentists

The federal government has begun auditing some health care providers, including dental practices, to ensure they are complying with patient privacy laws and health care information security laws.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights announced on March 21, 2016 that it has begun its second phase of audits of covered entities and their business associates to assess their compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Privacy, Security and Breach Notification Rules, according to a news release. The Office for Civil Rights will review whether the policies and procedures adopted and employed by the groups meet selected standards and implementation specifications of the law.

"We want dentists to be aware that this is happening and to take HIPAA compliance seriously," said Dr. Andrew Brown, chair of the ADA Council on Dental Practice. "There are steep consequences for health care providers that don't comply with the law and we don't want to see any dentists having to pay tens of thousands of dollars in a penalty."

A dental practice would be considered a covered entity if they use electronic dental claims.

"The first phase of audits, which began in 2012 included at least one dental practice," said Paula Tironi, senior associate general counsel in the ADA Division of Legal Affairs. "If a dental practice receives a communication from the Office for Civil Rights that they're to be audited, they may only have a few days or weeks to send documentation demonstrating that they're complying with HIPAA, such as security risk assessment, policies and procedures, training records and business associate agreements."

The Office for Civil Rights will begin the audit process by emailing covered entities and their business associates to request they send their contact information and answer a pre-audit questionnaire in order to gather data about the entity's size, type and operations.

Those who don't respond to the government's request to verify its information may still be selected for an audit or subject to a compliance review, according to the news release. Communications from the Office for Civil Rights will be sent via email and may be incorrectly classified as spam so health care providers should check their junk or spam folders.

"It would be prudent to have documentation demonstrating HIPAA compliance ready and up to date should a dental practice be audited. If an audit determines a dental practice has not been complying with the law, the government may initiate a compliance review," Ms. Tironi said. "It can be a lot of work and may be difficult to gather all the required documentation if a practice is caught unprepared."

OCR will post updated audit protocols on its website closer to conducting the 2016 audits, the news release stated. "The audit protocol will be updated to reflect the HIPAA Omnibus Rulemaking and can be used as a tool by organizations to conduct their own internal self-audits as part of their HIPAA compliance activities," according to the release.

To learn more about the second phase of audits, visit hhs.gov/hipaa.

The ADA has a number of resources to help dentists become HIPAA compliant. Dentists can help protect their practices from HIPAA violations by purchasing and implementing the concepts in the ADA Complete HIPAA Compliance Kit (J598). It's available at ADACatalog.org and is \$300 for members and retails for \$450. Free HIPAA resources are available at ADA.org/hipaa and ADA members can access exclusive HIPAA tips on the ADA Center for Professional Success website at Success.ADA.org.

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For covered dental practices that are seeking a secure, encrypted email solution, ADA Business Resources endorses PBHS Inc. as a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act-secure email and collaboration system provider for Association members. PBHS Secure Mail can help member dentists, specialists, staff and patients easily communicate within a secure environment. ADA members can choose this HIPAA-compliant email solution that starts at \$10 per month or purchase an upgraded package that uses the even higher standards of direct messaging. For more information, contact PBHS at 1-855-WEB-4ADA or visit pbhs.com/securemail.

The ADA's Standards Committee on Dental Informatics developed a technical report published in January to walk dentists and their offices through the guidelines for the secure transmission of protected health information. Technical Report No. 1085, Implementation Guidelines for the Secure Transmission of Protected Health Information in Dentistry, is available at no cost for member dentists in the ADA Catalog.

New Member Spotlight

Following is a list of members who have recently joined DCDS, along with the dental schools from which they graduated. Welcome new members!

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Top: Delaware State Dental Society members and staff at their membership lounge in the Exhibit Hall





Middle Left: Attendees interacting with exhibitors in the hall

Middle Right: The DC Dental Society 150th Anniversary lounge held valuable artifacts from the National Museum of Dentistry and photographs of members throughout the years

Bottom: Attendees interacting with exhibitors in the hall, learning about their services and technology!



DCDS celebrated 150 years at the 2016 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting.
We'll celebrate again at the June Awards Dinner!

CDC Issues Summary of Infection Control Guidelines

Dentists can access resources designed to help them follow infection prevention guidelines thanks to new materials released March 29 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The guide, "Summary of Infection Prevention Practices for Dental Settings: Basic Expectations for Safe Care," includes 2003 CDC infection control recommendations for dentists and other recommendations published in CDC guidance documents since then. It also includes a first-of-its-kind comprehensive checklist to evaluate administrative policies and clinical infection prevention practices, the CDC said in a statement.

"Compliance with Standard Precautions is critical for preventing transmission of infectious organisms in dental settings," the CDC said in a statement announcing the new summary. "We hope that these tools and additional resources will be of value to all dental health care personnel in all types of dental settings to ensure adherence to administrative and clinical infection prevention recommendations."

The ADA urges all practicing dentists, dental auxiliaries and dental laboratories to employ appropriate infection control procedures as described in the 2003 CDC Guidelines, and to keep up-to-date as scientific information leads to improvements in infection control, risk assessment and disease management in oral health care.

Dr. Elliot Abt, chair of the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs, lauded the CDC resources. "This new checklist may help streamline the process of infection control in a dental practice," he said. The CDC calls the materials a "comprehensive,

user friendly resource" that "can help dental health care personnel maintain proper infection prevention practices."

The resources include a summary of basic infection prevention principles and recommendations, with emphasis on the importance of having one person in every dental office assigned as the infection prevention coordinator; and references and resources for areas of focus including sterilization, safe injection practices and hand hygiene.

The CDC guide is online here. The Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention has created tools and resources meant to help dental teams understand the guidelines and new summary. These are available at OSAP.org. The ADA has compiled a list of infection control resources, available at ADA.org.

The ADA Practical Guide to Effective Infection Control is another tool to help train dental staff in sound infection control practices. This DVD and workbook (P692) are available at a reduced rate for members at ADAcatalog.org or 800-947-4746. Readers can save 15 percent by using promo code 16115 by May 31.

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GENERAL DENTIST NEEDED – Private practice in upper Northwest DC near Friendship Heights Metro station is seeking a General Dentist for a family practice. Candidate must have a knack for working with kids as our practice sees a good number of children. Position is for Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Candidate should have at least 2 years clinical experience. Please submit resume for immediate consideration. Contact information (202) 362-7413 - dc@fideldentalgroup.com.

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BUSINESS SOLUTIONS – CT Business Solutions is helped pioneer true Managed Services in the U.S. and is a rarity amongst regional IT services as it offers HIPAA compliance in their IT solutions and assists clients in the audit process. Also provided is an assortment of online training at costs no one can beat. Contact: Sean Epstein, (571) 471-5022 or sean@ctmedit.com.

Advertise with DCDS

Classified ads in the DCDS Newsletter are easy to coordinate. Simply fill out an advertisement contract and email the completed contract and your ad to info@dcdental.org. We will then send you an invoice and request payment information. Without the payment, your ad will not run.

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Members: \$30 for the first 30 words, \$0.20 for each additional word.

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Dental Students and New Graduates: Free! You must be a member of the ASDA or DCDS to qualify.

Deadlines:

The Newsletter is distributed on the first Wednesday of every month. Therefore, ads are due to the Society two weeks in advance in order for them to appear in the next newsletter.

In conjunction with its 20th Annual Conference, the National Hispanic Medical Association and its partners are hosting a

Community Health Fair

with important vision and dental screenings.

When: Friday, April, 22, 2016 from 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Where: The West Lawn of Carnegie Library 801 K St NW. Washington, DC 20001 Metro Stop: Mt. Vernon Square

Details:

- Envolve's Vision Van, SeeMore will provide free screenings to all, and free exams to children in need under the age of 18.
- Colgate's Bright Smiles, Bright Futures dental van program will provide free education, screenings and treatment referrals to children up to 12 years old.
- On-site community organizations and health professionals.
- Farmer's Market (FREE to screening participants) BOUNCE and fitness activities for kids • ZUMBA • Many Giveaways







