



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



Dr. Julian Moiseiwitsch

Dear Colleagues:

I am proud to announce that the DC Dental Society received four recruitment and retention awards in the Under 500 Active Licensed Members category at the 2016 ADA Annual Conference on Recruitment and Retention in Chicago, IL last month. The recruitment and retention awards recognize those societies that have made a significant difference in gaining new members, retaining current members or building

relationships with current and potential members. Drs. Chris Loukaitis and Maya Oliver accepted the awards on behalf of the Society. We received the following awards: Greatest Net Gain of New Dentists, Greatest Net Gain in Membership, Convert Highest Number of Diverse Dentists to Membership, Convert Highest Number of Women Dentists to Membership. Drs. Loukaitis and Oliver also presented on the Society’s efforts to increase outreach to local graduating dental students to provide them with information on the value of membership in the American Dental Association and its local ADA constituent societies.

This year’s National Signing Day also took place last month on April 15th at Howard University. I would like to give my sincere thanks to our Howard representatives, Gracie Castillo and José Liens, for their commitment to the success of this year’s Signing Day. I also want to thank the members of the Society — Drs. Said Mokhtarzadeh, Chris Loukaitis, Kevin Granger, Albert Coombs, and Alan Singer— and ADA 4th District Trustee Dr. Jeffrey Cole for their hard work in communicating the value of membership to these dental students. Membership engagement is the most important aspect to the future of our organization. Our efforts must remain focused on attracting active members and creating an open society to remain successful.

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I look forward to seeing you at the next monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 10th at the Westin Georgetown, which will feature Dr. Laurance Jerrold. He will be discussing “The Right Way to Get Rid of the Wrong Patient and Becoming Informed About Informed Consent”.

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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Join Us for the May 10th CE Meeting

The next DC Dental Society monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, May 10th at the Westin Georgetown and will feature a presentation by Dr. Laurance Jerrold titled "The Right Way to Get Rid of the Wrong Patient and Becoming Informed about Informed Consent".

Session Abstract

This lecture centers on the legal tenets behind what is and what is not the standard of care concerning the formation and termination of the doctor patient relationship. It will also provide the participant a clear understanding of how to obtain and document that a patient's informed consent was given.

Learning Objectives

The attendee is expected to:

- Understand specific legal and practice management concepts that form the basis for risk management decision making in clinical practice
- Utilize appropriate office forms and letters to augment risk management strategies
- Realize the role that the doctor patient relationship plays in clinical risk management and how to form and terminate that relationship
- Understand the difference between consent and informed consent and the legal tenets defining each concept
- How to appropriately obtain and document the receipt of a patient's informed consent

Clinical case scenarios coupled with ample time for questions and answers will enable each participant to see how the legal concepts and the risk management principles presented should be applied in daily clinical practice

Members planning to attend the May meeting should RSVP [online](#), by phone at (202) 367-1163, or via email at info@dcdental.org before noon on Tuesday, May 10th.

MAY MONTHLY MEETING

PRESENTATION TOPIC

The Right Way to Get Rid of the Wrong Patient and Becoming Informed About Informed Consent

SCHEDULE

5:45 p.m. - Business Meeting
6:00 p.m. - Presentation
Dinner to Follow Presentation

LOCATION

Westin Georgetown
2350 M St NW
Washington, DC 20037



Laurance Jerrold, DDS, JD



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

2016 ADA/DCDS Signing Day at Howard University College of Dentistry

DCDS hosted the annual ADA/ASDA National Signing Day Program at Howard University College of Dentistry last month. Signing Day is an exclusive event for graduating dental students that provides them with information on the value of membership in the American Dental Association and its local ADA constituent societies. Speakers included DCDS Membership Committee Chair and 2017 Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Chair Dr. Chris Loukaitis and ADA 4th District Trustee Dr. Jeffrey Cole.



DCDS Elections to Be Held June 7th

There will be an election held immediately prior to the June 7, 2016 awards dinner for five open positions on the DCDS Board of Directors and two open positions on the Advisory Committee to the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting. The slate of candidates and their statements of interest are below.

At-Large DCDS Board Positions (5 Positions Open)

Dr. Luis Barr



I hope to continue the work done by the past board to grow and expand organized dentistry in the District and provide a different point-of-view in leadership's consideration of present and future challenges.

Dr. Michael Blicher



I would like to serve the Dental Society as a member of the Board of Directors because I know that I can make positive contributions to the operation of our Society. I have had years of experience in various leadership positions within the Society including serving on the Board of Directors, being General Chairman of the Nation's Capital Dental Meeting, being President of the DCDS, and chairing the Finance and Advisory Committee. I have also served on a national level on the ADA's Council on ADA Sessions which I chaired from 2012 – 2013 and was General Chair of the ADA Annual Meeting in New Orleans in 2013. I currently serve on the AGD's Scientific Meeting Council.

I care deeply about the future of the DCDS and I feel that my experience on Board, Council and Committee levels, my knowledge of budgetary issues, meeting protocols and rules of order, along with my historical prospective of our Dental Society will allow me to help our Society move forward as a member of the Board of Directors.

Dr. Adam Eskow



I wish to serve on the board in order to help relay the many voices of our membership. We have a very diverse membership with varying wants and needs. My role will be to provide a voice on their behalf.

Dr. Jim Feldman



I wish to serve on the DCDS Board of Directors because I will be able to provide a unique perspective. I am a long time member of the DCDS who has served the society in most every leadership position. As a Former President, I have the experience to be able to look beyond the trees and see the forest. I have seen the DCDS evolve. I have been part of that evolution. What many of you may not know is that I have a son who is soon to be fourth year dental student at the University of Maryland Dental School. This helps provide me with the insight into what the young dentist member needs and wants from the DCDS. By melding my experience, my collegial contacts and my knowledge of the needs of the young dentist, I feel I can help the DCDS continue its transformation and serve both the mature member, as well as, the young member. The key is that we are all dentists and members of the DCDS. We all want what is best for the DCDS and I would appreciate the opportunity to again help move the society forward.

Dr. Kevin Granger



Since dental school, I felt compelled to participate in organized dentistry. We as dental professionals serve as healthcare providers, business owners, and community leaders. Service is a part of all roles mentioned. Protecting what we have worked so hard to accomplish is mandatory.

The DCDS is at the forefront of organized dentistry. As a part of this professional community I see no reason to watch things happen. The Board member at Large position allows me to serve DCDS in a leadership capacity. Fresh perspectives are helpful in even the most functional groups. I bring past experience with organized dentistry through participation in the Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia dental societies. My knowledge gained as a student, resident, community based clinician, associate, practice owner of fee for service and insurance based offices empower any dental organization I represent.

We are charged with protecting our colleagues and perpetuating our profession. As an At-Large Board member of the DCDS, you are entrusting me with influencing decisions that affect all of us. I would appreciate the opportunity to serve you in this capacity.

Kevin C. Granger, DDS

Dr. Michael Pollowitz



I would like the opportunity to serve the Society for a second term on the board as I want to continue to be an active participant in helping shape and guide our organization for the future. As a current member of the board, I am familiar with the ongoing challenges that face each and every one of us in the changing climate of dentistry. I bring to the table not a view of the few but instead a better understanding of the needs and voice of many. I hope to be able to continue my service in helping the Society be a better organization and provide leadership and guidance through the future ahead.

Advisory Committee to the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting (2 Positions Open)

Dr. Michael Blicher



I feel that I can be an asset to the Advisory Committee to the Mid Atlantic Dental Meeting because of my many years of experience in helping to plan and run dental meetings.

I served as chair of many of the sub-committees of the Nation's Capital Dental Meeting before becoming General Chairman of the meeting in 2006. I was appointed to the ADA's Council on ADA Sessions in 2009 and served as Council Chair 2012 – 2013 and was General Chairman of the 2013 ADA Annual Meeting in New Orleans in 2013. In 2014 I was appointed to the Academy of General Dentistry's Scientific Meeting Committee. I have helped with the planning and running of the 2014 AGD Annual Meeting in San Francisco and am currently involved with planning the AGD Scientific Meetings in Boston this year and Las Vegas next year.

I have worked with the Dental Trade Alliance (DTA) and the Exhibitor Advisory Committee to the ADA and I have knowledge of meeting trends and innovations. I am willing to work with the Meeting Committee and feel that all of my experience could be an asset to the Committee and the DC Dental Society.

Dr. Johanna Huijssoon



I have been associated with the District of Columbia Dental Society since the early 90's and I am proud to be an active member to this day. After my presidency from 2012-2013, I remained involved. I chaired the Give Kids a Smile event twice. I was also the local chair for the Mission of Mercy Project held during the 2015 ADA meeting, here in Washington. I am a member of the Professional Standards Committee, the Finance and Advisory Committee, as well as a board member of the DCDS Foundation.

I would very much like to continue my involvement by aiding the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting Committee with a little historical perspective; meanwhile finding new and innovative ways to keep our society strong and vibrant. I believe we can all learn from each other and develop current, exciting strategies that will take our society to a competitive and successful level. Hopefully this will inspire our younger members to participate in growing our society.

In short, I want the next generations of members to love the DCDS as much as I always have and still do. I respectfully ask for your vote to become a part of the Advisory Committee to the MADM Committee.

Dr. Julian Moiseiwitsch



Over the past two years while serving as your President-elect and then President, I have worked diligently on behalf of the Society to begin the process of transforming our annual meeting into a regional event. During this time, I was able to facilitate the joining of both the Delaware State Dental Society and the Pennsylvania Dental Association as partners to the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting. As a member of the Advisory Committee to the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting I would aim to continue these outreach efforts to other ADA state organizations in the region, as well as work in collaboration with the Annual Meeting Committee to realize the goal of growing the Mid-Atlantic Dental Meeting into a destination meeting.

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Dr. Nahid Maleki Elected President-Elect of American Association of Orthodontists

We are pleased to announce that DCDS member Nahid Maleki, DDS, MS, an orthodontist practicing in Washington, D.C., has been elected the 2016-17 president-elect of the [American Association of Orthodontists](#) (AAO), the world's oldest and largest dental specialty organization. The announcement was recently made at the AAO's 116th Annual Session in Orlando.

A graduate of the Georgetown University School of Dentistry's orthodontic program, Dr. Maleki earned a Certificate and an M.S. degree in Orthodontics, and became a member of the Georgetown orthodontic faculty immediately upon graduation. A tenured associate professor, she was also the Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Orthodontics, at Georgetown and Research Advisor to Postgraduate Orthodontic Residents. Dr. Maleki was a member of the Georgetown faculty for 14 years. Dr. Maleki opened her private practice limited to orthodontics in Washington, D.C. in 1982.

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DCDS the Recipient of Four Awards at the ADA Annual Conference on Recruitment and Retention Awards Ceremony



Left to Right: Amber Wright, DCDS Staff; Drs. Stephen Tigani, Maya Oliver, and Chris Loukaitis; Jennifer Bell and Katrin Werner, DCDS Staff

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All DCDS members should be proud of this achievement! The dedication, hard work, and openness of our members are what make this Society so successful and enjoyable. Congratulate each other on this positive membership growth for 2015, especially the Membership Committee, and let's continue to work together to take home all of the recruitment and retention awards for our category at next year's meeting!

New Online Tripartite Membership Application

Applying to become a member of DCDS is easier than ever; with the help of the American Dental Association, potential new members now have the ability to apply for membership online via the new Online Universal Membership Application. If you know a colleague or friend who wishes to apply, please direct them to <http://www.dcdental.org/member-center/join>.

Membership to Vote in September on Revisions to DCDS Bylaws to Allow Mail and Online Balloting

At the request of the DCDS Board, the Constitution and Bylaws Committee has drafted amendments to the Society's bylaws to allow eligible members the opportunity to vote by mail or online ballot. Currently, all DCDS members must appear in person to cast a ballot for contested Society leadership and ADA House of Delegate positions. The recommended changes to the bylaws strive to modernize the Society's voting process and give more members the opportunity to participate in the democratic process of electing officers and in deciding issues. The membership will be asked to approve these bylaw changes at the September 13th Monthly Meeting. Members are encouraged to share any comments or questions they may have to the DCDS Business Office at info@dcdental.org.

Constitution and Bylaws Committee Recommend Updates to DCDS Bylaws

13.0 CHAPTER XIII - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

13.10 PROCEDURE

13.11 Nominations for elections to any position or office with the exception of the President and General Chair of the NCDM shall be made at a designated business meeting and the election shall be held at a following appropriate announced meeting.

13.11.1 An eligible member may vote by mail or online ballot, or any other means of electronic transmission approved by the Board of Directors.¹

13.12 All members of the Society must be notified at least two (2) weeks before the election of the names of the candidates nominated of the various elective offices and positions.

13.13 A ballot sheet, when required for a contested election shall be printed ~~made available~~ with the names of the candidates nominated for the various elective offices and positions.²

13.20 TIMES OF NOMINATION

13.21 Nominations for elective offices of the Society shall be made at a business meeting at least two months prior to any election.

13.22 Nominations for delegates and alternate delegates to the American Dental Association House of Delegates shall be made at a regular business meeting immediately after the annual ADA House of Delegates meeting and at least two (2) months prior to the election. ~~which will take place at a business meeting.~~³

¹ New amendment to permit mail and online ballot for any Society election with the Board of Directors responsible for setting election-/ballot-related policies

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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 fulltime 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. 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.

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Member Benefit Spotlight: ADA and DRB Student Loan Consolidation

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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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mylymail@gmail.com
University of Maryland, 2014

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