



MINUTES

COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION ADA HEADQUARTERS, CHICAGO, IL & VIRTUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2024 (CLOSED SESSION)

Call to Order: The Vice Chair, Dr. Frank Licari, called a regular meeting of the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) to order at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, in the Executive Board Room of the American Dental Association Headquarters Building, Chicago, Illinois and in a virtual closed session for the purpose of an Ad Hoc Committee meeting and Mega Issue Discussion by the Commission.

Roll Call: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti, Dr. Victor Badner, Dr. Keith Beasley, Dr. Indraneel Bhattacharyya, Dr. Jessica Lee, Ms. Margaret Bowman-Pensel, Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Ngoc Chu, Dr. Joseph Cohen, Dr. Scott De Rossi, Dr. Cherae Farmer-Dixon, Dr. Maxine Feinberg (CODA chair), Dr. Joseph Giovannitti, Ms. LaShun James, Dr. George Kushner, Dr. Cataldo Leone, Dr. Frank Licari (CODA vice-chair), Dr. Paul Luepke, Ms. Lisa Mayer, Dr. Keith Mays, Ms. Martha McCaslin, Dr. Garry Myers, Dr. Monica Nenad, Dr. Lisa Nowlin, Dr. Cornelius Pitts, Dr. Jeffrey Price, Dr. Miriam Robbins, Dr. Nancy Rosenthal, Dr. Kenneth Sadler, Dr. Glenn Sameshima, Ms. Lonni Thompson, Dr. Deborah Weisfuse, and Mr. Noah Williams.

Commissioners attending in person: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti (virtual and in-person), Dr. Keith Beasley, Dr. Jessica Lee, Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Ngoc Chu, Dr. Joseph Cohen, Dr. Scott De Rossi, Dr. Cherae Farmer-Dixon, Dr. Joseph Giovannitti, Dr. George Kushner, Dr. Cataldo Leone, Dr. Frank Licari (CODA vice-chair), Dr. Paul Luepke, Dr. Keith Mays, Dr. Garry Myers, Dr. Monica Nenad, Dr. Lisa Nowlin, Dr. Cornelius Pitts (virtual and in-person), Dr. Jeffrey Price, Dr. Nancy Rosenthal, Dr. Kenneth Sadler, Dr. Glenn Sameshima, Ms. Lonni Thompson, Dr. Deborah Weisfuse (virtual and in-person), and Mr. Noah Williams.

Commissioners attending virtually: Dr. Victor Badner, Dr. Indraneel Bhattacharyya, Ms. Lisa Mayer, and Dr. Miriam Robbins.

Ms. Margaret Bowman-Pensel, Dr. Maxine Feinberg (CODA chair), Ms. LaShun James, and Ms. Martha McCaslin, were unable to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Trainees: Ms. Jill Day, Dr. Catherine Hayes, Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins, Dr. Kanthasamy Raganathan, and Dr. Fabricio Teixeira.

Commissioner Trainees attending in person: Ms. Jill Day, Dr. Catherine Hayes, Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins, Dr. Kanthasamy Raganathan, and Dr. Fabricio Teixeira.

Trustee Liaison: Dr. Brendan Dowd, Second District Trustee, Board of Trustees Liaison to CODA, American Dental Association (ADA) attended the Mega Issue Discussion, only, in person.

Guests: Ms. Mandy Hayre, vice-chair, and Ms. Dawn Wilson, chief executive officer, Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC) attended the Mega Issue Discussion, only, in person.



Commission on Dental Accreditation

Commission Staff: Dr. Sherin Tooks, *ex-officio* (senior director), Ms. Jamie Asher Hernandez, Ms. Katie Navickas, Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, Ms. Peggy Soeldner, Ms. Kelly Stapleton, managers, Ms. Marjorie Hooper, operations coordinator, and Ms. Samara Schwartz, senior associate general counsel, CODA attended in person.

Adoption of the Agendas: The agenda of each portion of the meeting was adopted.

Policy Reminder of Confidentiality: Dr. Sherin Tooks, CODA Senior Director, read the Commission's Reminder of Confidentiality.

Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Accreditation Standards Related to Diversity and Program Director On-Site Work Expectations in Dental, Advanced Dental, and Allied Dental Education Programs: The Commission engaged in a discussion related to diversity and program director on-site work expectations. A report of this discussion was presented to the Commission on Friday, August 9, 2024 (see below).

Commission Action: Actions taken by the Commission in Open Session are noted below.

Mega Issue Discussion: The Commission engaged in a Mega Issue discussion titled "Artificial Intelligence and Dental Education." The Commission's received a presentation from two (2) guest speakers, focusing on the basics of artificial intelligence (AI), potential uses in dental practice, academia, and accreditation, and considerations and limitations.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Adjourn: The Commission adjourned the closed Ad Hoc Committee meeting and Mega Issue Discussion at 5:00 P.M.



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COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION ADA HEADQUARTERS, CHICAGO, IL & VIRTUAL MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2024 (CLOSED SESSION)

Call to Order: The Chair, Dr. Maxine Feinberg, called a regular meeting of the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) to order at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, August 8, 2024, in the Executive Board Room of the American Dental Association Headquarters Building, Chicago, Illinois and in a virtual closed session for the purpose of reviewing educational programs by the Commission.

Roll Call: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti, Dr. Victor Badner, Dr. Keith Beasley, Dr. Indraneel Bhattacharyya, Dr. Jessica Lee, Ms. Margaret Bowman-Pensel, Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Ngoc Chu, Dr. Joseph Cohen, Dr. Scott De Rossi, Dr. Cherae Farmer-Dixon, Dr. Maxine Feinberg (chair), Dr. Joseph Giovannitti, Ms. LaShun James, Dr. George Kushner, Dr. Cataldo Leone, Dr. Frank Licari (vice-chair), Dr. Paul Luepke, Ms. Lisa Mayer, Dr. Keith Mays, Ms. Martha McCaslin, Dr. Garry Myers, Dr. Monica Nenad, Dr. Lisa Nowlin, Dr. Cornelius Pitts, Dr. Jeffrey Price, Dr. Miriam Robbins, Dr. Nancy Rosenthal, Dr. Kenneth Sadler, Dr. James Sameshima, Ms. Lonni Thompson, Dr. Deborah Weisfuse, and Mr. Noah Williams.

Commissioners attending in person: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti, Dr. Keith Beasley, Dr. Jessica Lee, Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Ngoc Chu, Dr. Joseph Cohen, Dr. Scott De Rossi, Dr. Cherae Farmer-Dixon, Dr. Maxine Feinberg (chair), Dr. Joseph Giovannitti, Dr. George Kushner, Dr. Cataldo Leone, Dr. Frank Licari (vice-chair), Dr. Paul Luepke, Ms. Lisa Mayer, Dr. Keith Mays, Ms. Martha McCaslin, Dr. Garry Myers, Dr. Monica Nenad, Dr. Lisa Nowlin, Dr. Cornelius Pitts, Dr. Jeffrey Price, Dr. Nancy Rosenthal, Dr. Kenneth Sadler, Dr. James Sameshima, Ms. Lonni Thompson, Dr. Deborah Weisfuse, and Mr. Noah Williams.

Commissioners attending virtually: Dr. Victor Badner, Dr. Indraneel Bhattacharyya, Ms. Margaret Bowman-Pensel, and Dr. Miriam Robbins.

Ms. LaShun James was unable to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Trainees: Ms. Jill Day, Dr. Catherine Hayes, Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins, Dr. Kanthasamy Raganathan and Dr. Fabricio Teixeira.

Commissioner Trainees attending in person: Ms. Jill Day, Dr. Catherine Hayes, Dr. Kanthasamy Raganathan, and Dr. Fabricio Teixeira.

Commissioner Trainees attending virtually: Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins.

Trustee Liaison: Dr. Brendan Dowd, Second District Trustee, Board of Trustees Liaison to CODA, American Dental Association (ADA) attended in person.

Guests: Ms. Mandy Hayre, vice-chair, and Ms. Dawn Wilson, chief executive officer, Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC) attended in person.



Commission Staff: Dr. Sherin Took, *ex-officio* (senior director), Ms. Jamie Asher Hernandez, Ms. Katie Navickas, Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, Ms. Peggy Soeldner, Ms. Kelly Stapleton, managers, Ms. Marjorie Hooper, operations coordinator, Mr. Daniel Sloyan, coordinator, and Ms. Bridget Blackwood, Ms. Shelby Burgus, Ms. Attiyya Muhammad, and Ms. Zaira Perez Limon, senior project assistants, and Ms. Samara Schwartz, senior associate general counsel, CODA attended in person.

Adoption of the Agenda: The agenda of the meeting was adopted.

Commissioner Fiduciary Duties, Professional Conduct Policy, and Conflict of Interest Obligations: Ms. Samara Schwartz, ADA/CODA Senior Associate General Counsel, reminded the Commission of its fiduciary responsibilities and the Conflict of Interest policy.

Policy Reminder of Confidentiality: Dr. Maxine Feinberg, CODA Chair, read the Commission’s Reminder of Confidentiality, noting the confidential nature of the Commission’s materials and deliberations related to the accreditation of programs.

Accreditation Mail Ballots Since Last Commission Meeting: The Commission approved for the record seven (7) mail ballots related to program accreditation actions, which had been considered since the Winter 2024 Commission meeting.

Consideration of Matters Relating to Accreditation Actions: The Commission reviewed site visit evaluations, progress reports, and other requested reports on predoctoral dental education programs, advanced dental education programs, and allied dental education programs.

Commission Action: Accreditation status was granted to programs evaluated since the Winter 2024 meeting. Accreditation actions are summarized in the “Report on the Accreditation Statuses of Educational Programs.” (**Appendix 1**).

Adjournment: The Commission adjourned the closed session at 1:55 P.M.

Closed Session Business Related to CODA Operations: The Commission called to order a closed session to consider confidential matters related to operations. The Commission briefly discussed the process of reviewing complaints against educational programs, including instructions provided on CODA’s website, for its Commissioner trainees, and adjourned this discussion at 2:04 P.M.



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FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2024 (OPEN SESSION)

Call to Order: The Chair, Dr. Maxine Feinberg, called a regular meeting of the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) to order at 9:00 A.M. on Friday, August 9, 2024, in the Executive Board Room of the American Dental Association Headquarters Building, Chicago, Illinois and in a virtual open session.

Roll Call: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti, Dr. Victor Badner, Dr. Keith Beasley, Dr. Indraneel Bhattacharyya, Dr. Jessica Lee, Ms. Margaret Bowman-Pensel, Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Ngoc Chu, Dr. Joseph Cohen, Dr. Scott De Rossi, Dr. Cherae Farmer-Dixon, Dr. Maxine Feinberg (chair), Dr. Joseph Giovannitti, Ms. LaShun James, Dr. George Kushner, Dr. Cataldo Leone, Dr. Frank Licari (vice-chair), Dr. Paul Luepke, Ms. Lisa Mayer, Dr. Keith Mays, Ms. Martha McCaslin, Dr. Garry Myers, Dr. Monica Nenad, Dr. Lisa Nowlin, Dr. Cornelius Pitts, Dr. Jeffrey Price, Dr. Miriam Robbins, Dr. Nancy Rosenthal, Dr. Kenneth Sadler, Dr. James Sameshima, Ms. Lonni Thompson, Dr. Deborah Weisfuse, and Mr. Noah Williams.

Commissioners attending in person: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti, Dr. Keith Beasley, Dr. Jessica Lee, Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Ngoc Chu, Dr. Joseph Cohen, Dr. Scott De Rossi, Dr. Cherae Farmer-Dixon, Dr. Maxine Feinberg (chair), Dr. Joseph Giovannitti, Dr. George Kushner, Dr. Cataldo Leone, Dr. Frank Licari (vice-chair), Dr. Paul Luepke, Ms. Lisa Mayer, Dr. Keith Mays, Ms. Martha McCaslin, Dr. Garry Myers, Dr. Monica Nenad, Dr. Lisa Nowlin, Dr. Cornelius Pitts, Dr. Jeffrey Price, Dr. Nancy Rosenthal, Dr. Kenneth Sadler, Dr. James Sameshima, Ms. Lonni Thompson, Dr. Deborah Weisfuse, and Mr. Noah Williams.

Commissioners attending virtually: Dr. Victor Badner, Dr. Indraneel Bhattacharyya, Ms. Margaret Bowman-Pensel, and Dr. Miriam Robbins.

Ms. LaShun James was unable to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Trainees: Ms. Jill Day, Dr. Catherine Hayes, Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins, Dr. Kanthasamy Raganathan and Dr. Fabricio Teixeira.

Commissioner Trainees attending in person: Ms. Jill Day, Dr. Catherine Hayes, Dr. Kanthasamy Raganathan, and Dr. Fabricio Teixeira.

Commissioner Trainees attending virtually: Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins.

Trustee Liaison: Dr. Brendan Dowd, Second District Trustee, Board of Trustees Liaison to CODA, American Dental Association (ADA) attended in person.

Guests: Ms. Mandy Hayre, vice-chair, and Ms. Dawn Wilson, chief executive officer, Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC) attended in person.

Commission Staff: Dr. Sherin Tooks, *ex-officio* (senior director), Ms. Jamie Asher Hernandez, Ms. Katie Navickas, Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, Ms. Peggy Soeldner, Ms. Kelly Stapleton, managers, Ms. Marjorie Hooper,



operations coordinator, Mr. Daniel Sloyan, coordinator, and Ms. Bridget Blackwood, Ms. Shelby Burgus, Ms. Attiyya Muhammad, and Ms. Zaira Perez Limon, senior project assistants, and Ms. Samara Schwartz, senior associate general counsel, CODA attended in person.

Adoption of the Agenda: The agenda of the meeting was adopted.

Conflict of Interest Statement, Fiduciary Reminder, and Reminder of Professional Conduct Policy and Prohibition Against Harassment: Ms. Samara Schwartz, senior associate general counsel, CODA, reminded the Commissioners of their fiduciary responsibilities, Professional Conduct, Prohibition Against Harassment, and the CODA Conflict of Interest policies.

Approve the Minutes from Winter 2024 Meeting: The minutes of the Winter 2024 Meeting were approved.

Mail Ballots Approved Since Last Commission Meeting: The Commission noted there were no mail ballots to approve for the record, which have been considered since the Winter 2024 Commission meeting.

Consent Calendar: The Commission noted there were no items on the consent agenda.

Report of the Review Committee on Predoctoral Dental Education (PREDOC RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Cataldo Leone. Committee Members: Mr. Drew Christianson, Dr. Sillas Duarte (virtual), Ms. Wilhemina Leeuw, Dr. Ana Karina Mascarenhas, Dr. Thomas McConnell, Dr. Scott Phillips, and Dr. Deborah Weisfuse-Lipner. Dr. Kevin Haubrick did not attend the meeting. Commissioner Trainees: Dr. Keith Mays, Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins (virtual, attended a portion of the meeting), Dr. Lisa Nowlin, and Dr. Kanthasamy Ragunathan observed the meeting as Commissioner trainees. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA) attended the policy portion of the meeting. Staff Members: Ms. Kelly Stapleton, manager, Predoctoral Dental Education, and Ms. Attiyya Muhammad, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, CODA, and Ms. Samara Schwartz, senior associate general counsel, CODA, attended a portion of the meeting.

The meeting of the Review Committee on Predoctoral Dental Education (PREDOC RC) was held on July 8 – 9, 2024 at the ADA Headquarters, Chicago, Illinois and via a virtual meeting. The PREDOC RC report is found in **Appendix 2**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Dental Therapy Education Programs: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs: The Commission considered the report and recommendations of the PREDOC RC and concurred.



Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs (**Appendix 2**) be circulated for an initial period of six (6) months to the communities of interest to obtain preliminary feedback on the proposed revisions, including a Hearing in conjunction with the October 2024 American Dental Association Annual Meeting, with comments to be reviewed at future meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directed the current membership and composition of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs be retained through completion of the Ad Hoc Committee's charge to review the Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs.

New Business: Dental Therapy Site Visit Team Composition: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report of the Review Committee on Postdoctoral General Dentistry Education (PGD RC):

Committee Chair: Dr. Miriam Robbins. **Committee Members:** Dr. Robert Hollowell, Dr. Jayson Huber, Dr. Edward O'Connor, Dr. Cornelius Pitts, Dr. Steven Rhodes, Dr. Eric Sung, and Dr. Michelle Ziegler. Dr. Sally Jo Placa did not attend the meeting. **Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual):** Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA) attended the policy portion of the meeting. **Staff Members:** Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education and Ms. Bridget Blackwood, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education, CODA, attended a portion of the meeting.

The meeting of the Review Committee on Postdoctoral General Dentistry Education (PGD RC) was held on July 11, 2024 at the ADA Headquarters, Chicago, Illinois. The PGD RC report is found in **Appendix 3**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in General Practice Residency Programs: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the PGD RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document, and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. Following consideration, the Commission took action to approve the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines and the specific Standards for postdoctoral general dentistry.



Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 5**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in General Practice Residency related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 6**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry and General Practice Residency Related to the Optional 2nd year:

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed circulation of the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry (**Appendix 3**) to the communities of interest for review and comment for a period of six (6) months, with a Hearing conducted in conjunction with the October 2024 American Dental Association Annual Session, with comments reviewed at the Commission's Winter 2025 meetings.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directed circulation of the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in General Practice Residency (**Appendix 3**) to the communities of interest for review and comment for a period of six (6) months with a Hearing conducted in conjunction with the October 2024 American Dental Association Annual Session, with comments reviewed at the Commission's Winter 2025 meetings.

Report of the Review Committee on Dental Assisting Education (DA RC): Committee Chair: Ms. Martha McCaslin. Committee Members: Ms. Julie Bera, Ms. Kimberly Bland, Dr. Martin Bloom, Dr. Jennifer Boyce, Ms. Heather Ferris, Dr. Preeti Sahasi, Ms. Staci Schory, Ms. Heather Seghi, and Ms. Diana Williams. Commissioner Trainee: Ms. Jill Day observed the meeting as a Commissioner trainee. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Ms. Laura Skarnulis, chief executive officer, Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) and the DALE Foundation, and Ms. Rebecca Stolberg, vice president, Allied Dental Education and Faculty Development, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), attended the policy portion of the meeting. Commissioner: Dr. Maxine Feinberg, chair, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), *ex officio*, attended a portion of the meeting virtually. Commission Staff: Ms. Jamie Asher Hernandez, manager, Allied Dental Education, Ms. Katie Navickas, manager, Allied Dental Education, Mr. Daniel Sloyan, coordinator, Allied Program Reviews, Ms. Zaira Limon Perez, senior project assistant, Allied Dental Education, CODA. Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, CODA, attended a portion of the meeting. Ms. Samara Schwartz, senior associate general counsel, CODA, attended a portion of the meeting virtually.

The meeting of the Review Committee on Dental Assisting Education (DA RC) was held on July 11-12, 2024 at the American Dental Association Headquarters, Chicago, Illinois. The Review Committee also met on July 23, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The DA RC report is found in **Appendix 7**.



Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report on the 2024 Validity and Reliability Study of the Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs: The Commission considered the DA RC report and recommendation related to the validity and reliability study of the dental assisting Standards.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee of available members of the Dental Assisting Review Committee, including the outgoing Chair of the Review Committee as an ex-officio member for continuity, to further study the data collected through the Validity and Reliability Study, and consider potential revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs, with a future report to the Commission.

New Business: Consideration of Proposed Revision to Standard 4-8g of the Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs: The Committee reviewed the DA RC new business item, noting that many states have modified the requirement for use of lead aprons and cervical collars. The Commission noted that the general public may still want to use these devices; however, the DA RC recommendation was intended to address this flexibility in accordance with recent changes.

- 4-8 Each radiography area must provide equipment for faculty supervision and effective instruction to accommodate several students simultaneously that include:**
- a. Dental radiography units which meet applicable regulations**
 - b. Radiographic teaching manikins**
 - c. Radiographic view boxes and/or monitors**
 - d. Processing units with darkroom capacity or digital equipment**
 - e. Multiple sets of image receptor holding devices**
 - f. Radiation-monitoring devices are provided for students and faculty (according to state regulations)**
 - g. Lead aprons and cervical collars for each unit (**according to state regulations**)**
 - h. Counter with sink**
 - i. Dental chair or unit**

Intent:

The radiography facilities should allow the attainment of program goals and objectives. Radiography facilities and equipment should effectively accommodate the clinic and/or laboratory schedules, the number of students, faculty and staff, and comply with applicable regulations to ensure effective instruction in a safe environment.



Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted and directed immediate implementation of the proposed revision, noted above, to Standard 4-8g of the Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs and all related documents.

Report of the Review Committee on Dental Hygiene Education (DH RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Monica Nenad. Committee Members: Ms. Denise Avrutik, Dr. Linda Boyd, Dr. Ngoc Chu, Ms. Mara Crow, Dr. Marcia Ditmeyer, Ms. Patricia Guenther, Dr. James Harrison, Dr. Lorie Holt, Ms. Joanne Pacheco, Dr. Carole Palmer, Dr. Paul Francis Tayag Ayson, and Ms. Maiga Van Haalen. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Ms. Rebecca Stolberg, vice president, Allied Dental Education and Faculty Development, American Dental Education Association (ADEA) and Dr. Amy Vinci, senior manager, Education and Learning Technology, American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA) attended the policy portion of the meeting. Staff Members: Ms. Katie Navickas, manager, Allied Dental Education, Ms. Jamie Asher-Hernandez, manager, Allied Dental Education, Mr. Daniel Sloyan, coordinator, Allied Program Reviews, and Ms. Zaira Perez-Lemon, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, CODA, and Ms. Samara Schwartz, senior associate general counsel, CODA, attended a portion of the meeting.

The meeting of the Review Committee on Dental Hygiene Education (DH RC) was held on July 8-10, 2024 at the ADA Headquarters, Chicago, Illinois. The DH RC report is found in **Appendix 8**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Dental Hygiene Education Programs: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study Dental Hygiene Standards Related to Ratios: The Commission considered the report of the DH RC including the historical background related to the Commission's study of faculty to student ratios, which began in Winter 2023 when the Commission received a request from 17 state dental associations. The Commission was reminded that in Summer 2023, the Commission considered the report of an Ad Hoc Committee on Ratios and concurred with the Ad Hoc Committee; further, CODA directed the Ratio Report be shared with the allied dental Review Committees. In Winter 2024, the Review Committee and Commission considered the Ratio Report. The Commission was also reminded that the DH RC and Commission considered a large number of enrollment increases and program expansions, and also noted that American Dental Association (ADA) Resolutions 408H-2023 and 409H-2023 were discussed. In Winter 2024, as recommended by the DH RC, the Commission directed another Ad Hoc Committee including nominees of the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) consider the matter; the Commission concurred, and the Ad Hoc Committee met in Spring 2024. The DH RC and Commission considered the most recent (Summer 2024) report and recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee as documented in **Appendix 8**, and the subsequent recommendation of the DH RC, to retain Standard 3-3 (program director degree) and Standard 3-5 (ratio) and revise Standard 3-6 (faculty degree) of the dental hygiene Accreditation Standards.

- 3-6 **Full-time and part-time All faculty of a dental hygiene program who teach in a didactic course must possess a baccalaureate or higher degree. All part-time faculty whose teaching is limited to a clinical and dental science laboratory faculty-course must possess an associate or higher degree. appointed prior to July 1, 2022 are exempt from the degree requirement.**



All dental hygiene program faculty members must have:

- a) **current knowledge of the specific subjects they are teaching.**
- b) **documented background in current educational methodology concepts consistent with teaching assignments.**
- c) **faculty who are dental hygienists or dentists must be graduates of programs accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. A dentist who was appointed as a faculty prior to July 1, 2022 is exempt from the graduation requirement. An internationally trained dentist or dental hygienist is exempt from the graduation requirement.**
- d) **faculty who are internationally trained dental hygienists or dentists must hold credentials required by the state.**
- e) **evidence of faculty calibration for clinical evaluation.**

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed the proposed revision to Dental Hygiene Standard 3-6, related to the faculty degree requirement (**Appendix 8**), be circulated to the communities of interest for review and comment for six (6) months, with a Hearing in conjunction with the October 2024 American Dental Association Annual Meeting, with comments reviewed at the Commission's Winter 2025 meetings.

New Business: Discussion of Matters Affecting Dental Hygiene Education Programs: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report of the Review Committee on Dental Laboratory Technology Education (DLT RC):

Committee Chair: Ms. Lonni Thompson. **Committee Members:** Ms. LaShun James, Ms. Sandra Kotowski, Mr. Steven Pigliacelli, and Dr. Arpana Verma. **Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual):** Mr. Bennett Napier, chief staff executive, National Association of Dental Laboratories (NADL), and Ms. Rebecca Stolberg, vice president, Allied Dental Education and Faculty Development, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), attended the policy portion of the meeting. **Staff Members:** Ms. Jamie Asher Hernandez, manager, Allied Dental Education, Ms. Katie Navickas, manager, Allied Dental Education, and Mr. Daniel Sloyan, coordinator, Allied Program Reviews, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Dental Laboratory Technology Education (DLT RC) was held on July 8, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The DLT RC report is found in **Appendix 9**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Dental Laboratory Technology Education Programs: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Accreditation Standards for Dental Laboratory Technology Education Programs: The Commission received an update on review of the Standards related to digital workflow, noting a report will be provided in the future. There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.



Report of the Review Committee on Dental Public Health Education (DPH RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Victor Badner. Committee Members: Dr. Bruce Dye, Dr. Maya Popova, and Dr. Robert Weyant. Dr. Shannon Smith-Stephens attended a portion of the meeting. Commissioner Trainee: Dr. Catherine Hayes observed the meeting as a Commissioner trainee. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), attended the policy portion of the meeting. Staff Members: Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Dr. Sherin Took, senior director; and Ms. Michele Kendall, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Dental Public Health Education (DPH RC) was held on July 12, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The DPH RC report is found in **Appendix 10**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Public Health: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the DPH RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for dental public health.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Public Health related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate, and modification of dental public health specific Standards (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 11**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Endodontics Education (ENDO RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Garry Myers. Committee Members: Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Linda Casser, and Dr. Josanne O'Dell. Dr. Gerald Glickman and Dr. Timothy Kirkpatrick were unable to attend the meeting. Commissioner Trainee: Dr. Fabricio Teixeira observed the meeting as a Commissioner trainee. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), and Ms. Trina Andresen Coe, deputy executive director, American Association of Endodontists (AAE) attended the policy portion of the meeting. Commission Staff: Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education, Dr. Sherin Took, senior director, and Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Endodontics Education (ENDO RC) was held on July 8, 2024, via a virtual meeting. The ENDO RC report is found in **Appendix 12**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Endodontics: There was no discussion on this report.



Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Endodontics Related to Program Director Full Time Status: The Commission considered the proposed revision submitted by the ENDO RC.

The program director must be appointed to the sponsoring institution and have sufficient authority and time to achieve the educational goals of the program and assess the program's effectiveness in meeting its goals.

Documentation of all program activities must be ensured by the program director and available for review.

2-1 The sponsoring institution must appoint a program director ~~who: a) is a full-time faculty member and b)~~ whose time commitment is no less than twenty-four hours per week to the advanced dental education program in endodontics.

Intent: To ensure that the program director has sufficient time to participate in all aspects of the program including direct student/resident contact in didactic and clinical activities.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to Standard 2-1 of the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Endodontics related to Program Director Full-Time Status (**Appendix 12**) and directed revision of all related documents, with immediate implementation.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the ENDO RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for endodontics.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Endodontics related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 13**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Education (OMP RC):

Committee Chair: Dr. Neel Bhattacharyya. **Committee Members:** Dr. Leticia Ferreira Cabido, Dr. Dara Rogers, and Ms. Lisa Mayer. Dr. Ashley Clark was unable to attend the meeting. **Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual):** Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA); and Dr. Kevin Torske, secretary/treasurer, American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology (ABOMP), attended the policy portion of the meeting. **Staff Members:** Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; and Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).



The meeting of the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Education (OMP RC) was held on July 11, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The OMP RC report is found in **Appendix 14**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the OMP RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for oral and maxillofacial pathology.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 15**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Education (OMR RC):

Committee Chair: Dr. Jeffery Price. Committee Members: Dr. King Chong Chan, Dr. Karen Parker-Davidson, and Dr. Tena Phillips. Dr. Sindhura Anamali Reddy attended a portion of the meeting. Guest (Open Session Only, Virtual): Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA); Dr. Jie Yang, president, American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (ABOMR) and Dr. Hui Liang, board member, ABOMR, attended the policy portion of the meeting. Staff Members: Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education; and Ms. Michele Kendall, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Education (OMR RC) was held on July 8, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The OMR RC report is found in **Appendix 16**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report on the 2024 Validity and Reliability Study of the Accreditation Standards for Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology: The Commission considered the report and recommendations of the OMR RC following the conduct of the Validity and Reliability Study.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted and immediately implemented the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and



Maxillofacial Radiology (**Appendix 16**) and related documents, as a result of the Validity and Reliability Study.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the OMR RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for oral and maxillofacial radiology with implementation January 1, 2025, to align with other advanced dental education disciplines.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Advanced Education in General Dentistry related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 17**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Education (OMS RC):

Committee Chair: Dr. George Kushner. Committee Members: Dr. Vasiliki Karlis, Dr. John Manahan, Dr. Pushkar Mehra, Dr. Jan Mitchell, and Dr. Vincent Perciaccante. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Ms. Mary Allaire-Schnitzer, associate executive director, American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS), Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), Dr. J. David Morrison, president-elect, AAOMS, and Ms. Laurie Oddo, manager, Advanced Education and Resident Affairs, AAOMS attended the policy portion of the meeting. Commission Staff: Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education, Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education, and Ms. Shelby Burgus, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Education (OMS RC) was held on July 9, 2024, via a virtual meeting. The OMS RC report is found in **Appendix 18**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organizations and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the OMS RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions.



The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for oral and maxillofacial surgery (residency and clinical fellowships) with implementation January 1, 2025, to align with other advanced dental education disciplines.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 19**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 20**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery: The Commission considered the OMS RC report, noting the revisions related to program directors serving as role models and resident wellness, aligning with some Standards in graduate medical education. The Commission learned that many of the proposed changes were in response to resident input to the sponsoring organization pertaining to concepts of a humanistic culture, resident fatigue, and stress, which prompted a review of the Standards.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (**Appendix 18**), and directed revision of all related documents, for implementation on July 1, 2025.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directed Commission staff to notify all oral and maxillofacial surgery programs of the revised Standards and implementation date, upon which all programs will be expected to demonstrate compliance with Commission Standards.

Report of the Review Committee on Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics Education

(ORTHO RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Glenn Sameshima. Committee Members: Dr. Sarandeep Huja, Dr. Howard Lieb, Dr. Juan Palomo, Ms. Marty Nicholson, and Dr. Emile Rossouw. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), and Ms. Michelle Ritterskamp, continuing education senior specialist, American Association of Orthodontists (AAO), attended the policy portion of the meeting. Commission Staff: Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education, Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education, Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, and Ms. Shelby Burgus, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics Education (ORTHO RC) was held on July 12, 2024, via a virtual meeting. The ORTHO RC report is found in **Appendix 21**.



Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Craniofacial and Special Care Orthodontics: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the ORTHO RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics (residency and clinical fellowship), with implementation January 1, 2025, to align with other advanced dental education disciplines.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 22**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Craniofacial and Special Care Orthodontics related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 23**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education (PED RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Jessica Lee. Committee Members: Dr. James Boynton, Dr. Tad Mabry, Ms. Lisa Mayer, and Dr. Anupama Tate. Dr. Ana Keohane was unable to attend the meeting. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA); Dr. Leila C. Younger, executive director, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD); and Dr. Ed Ginsberg, president, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD), attended the policy portion of the meeting. Staff Members: Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Ms. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education; and Ms. Michele Kendall, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, CODA, attended a portion of the meeting.

The meeting of the Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education (PED RC) was held on July 9, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The PED RC report is found in **Appendix 24**.



Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Pediatric Dentistry: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the PED RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for pediatric dentistry.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Pediatric Dentistry related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 25**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Anesthesia Standards of the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Pediatric Dentistry: The Commission considered the report of the PED RC, noting the Review Committee tried to align the Accreditation Standards with the guidelines of the American Academy of Pediatrics, all states, and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. The PED RC believed information should be collected through the annual survey of pediatric dentistry education programs before considering a revision to Standards, since the PED RC believed programs are already performing a lot of procedures on young age groups in the area of pediatric anesthesia.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed the proposed new survey question found in **Appendix 24** be added to the Curriculum Section of the 2024 CODA Annual Survey, which will be distributed to all pediatric dentistry programs in August 2024, with data analyzed in relation to a potential revision of Pediatric Dentistry Standard 4-7 b, and a report to the Pediatric Dentistry Review Committee and Commission in Winter 2025.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directed CODA staff to notify all pediatric dentistry program directors of the additional survey question in the Curriculum Section of the 2024 Annual Survey.

Report of the Review Committee on Periodontics Education (PERIO RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Paul Luepke. Committee Members: Dr. Wayne Kye, Dr. A.C. Liles, III, Dr. Angela Palaiologou-Gallis, Dr. Vishal Shah, and Dr. Dimitris Tatakis. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Ms. Eileen G. Loranger, executive director, American Board of Periodontology (ABP), Dr. Nicolaas Geurs, education consultant, American Academy of Periodontology (AAP), and Ms. Tameisha Williams, academic affairs manager, AAP, attended the policy portion of the meeting. Commission Staff: Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education, Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, and Ms. Shelby Burgus, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).



The meeting of the Review Committee on Periodontics Education (PERIO RC) was held on July 11, 2024, via a virtual meeting. The PERIO RC report is found in **Appendix 26**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Periodontics: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the PERIO RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for periodontics.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Periodontics related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 27**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Prosthodontics Education (PROS RC): Committee Chair: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti. Committee Members: Dr. Linda Casser, Dr. Sang Lee, Dr. Dean Morton, and Dr. Philip Rinaudo. Dr. David Felton was unable to attend the meeting. Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual): Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), attended the policy portion of the meeting. Staff Members: Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education; and Ms. Michele Kendall, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Prosthodontics Education (PROS RC) was held on July 10, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The PROS RC report is found in **Appendix 28**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Prosthodontics: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the PROS RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for prosthodontics.



Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Prosthodontics related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 29**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Dental Anesthesiology Education (DENTANES RC):

Committee Chair: Dr. Joseph Giovannitti. **Committee Members:** Ms. LaShun James, Dr. Gerard Kugel, Dr. Mana Saraghi, and Dr. Philip Yen. **Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual):** Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), and Ms. Amy Sarno, executive director, American Dental Board of Anesthesiology (ADBA), attended the policy portion of the meeting. **Staff Members:** Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education; and Ms. Bridget Blackwood, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Dr. Sherin Tooks, senior director, CODA, attended a portion of the meeting.

The meeting of the Review Committee on Dental Anesthesiology Education (DENTANES RC) was held on July 10, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The DENTANES RC report is found in **Appendix 30**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Anesthesiology (2007): There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Anesthesiology (2023): There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the DENTANES RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for dental anesthesiology.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopt the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Anesthesiology related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 31**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Oral Medicine Education (OM RC): Dr. Scott De Rossi. **Committee Members:** Dr. Jennifer Barber, Dr. Michael DeBellis, Dr. Lina Mejia, and Dr. Thomas Sollecito. **Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual):** Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA), attended the policy portion of the meeting. **Staff Members:** Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental



Education; and Ms. Bridget Blackwood, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Oral Medicine Education (OM RC) was held on July 9, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The OM RC report is found in **Appendix 32**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral Medicine: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report on the 2024 Validity and Reliability Study of the Accreditation Standards for Oral Medicine: The Commission considered the recommendations of the OM RC following consideration of the result of the Validity and Reliability Study.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted and immediately implemented the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral Medicine (**Appendix 32**) and related documents, as a result of the Validity and Reliability Study.

Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the OM RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for oral medicine.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Oral Medicine related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 33**) and directed revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Report of the Review Committee on Orofacial Pain Education (OFP RC): **Committee Chair:** Dr. Joseph Cohen. **Committee Members:** Dr. Steven Bender, Dr. Reny de Leeuw, and Dr. Robert Windsor. Dr. Bessie Katsilometes attended a portion of the meeting. **Guests (Open Session Only, Virtual):** Dr. Sheila Brear, chief learning officer, American Dental Education Association (ADEA) attended the policy portion of the meeting. **Staff Members:** Ms. Peggy Soeldner, manager, Advanced Dental Education; Dr. Yesenia Ruiz, manager, Advanced Dental Education; and Ms. Bridget Blackwood, senior project assistant, Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The meeting of the Review Committee on Orofacial Pain Education (OFP RC) was held on July 8, 2024 via a virtual meeting. The OFP RC report is found in **Appendix 34**.

Informational Report on Frequency of Citings of Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.



Consideration of Proposed Revision to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs Related to Sponsoring Organization and Authority to Operate: The Commission considered the report of the OFP RC and noted that this matter was considered by all advanced dental education Review Committees. Additionally, the Commission considered the suggested revisions of various committees in a uniform document and noted additional staff suggestions to better align the revisions. The Commission noted its prior action at this meeting to approve and direct implementation of the Definition of Terms for all advanced dental education disciplines. Additionally, the Commission approved the specific revisions to Standards for orofacial pain.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted the proposed revisions to the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain related to the Definition of Terms for Health Care Organization and to chartering and licensure to operate (**Appendix 4 and Appendix 35**) and direct revision of all related documents, for implementation January 1, 2025.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain: The Commission considered and concurred with the recommendation of the OFP RC related to proposed revision to Standard 2-11, Clinical Sciences, of the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed circulation of the proposed revisions to Standard 2-11, Clinical Sciences, of the Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Orofacial Pain found in **Appendix 34**, to the communities of interest for review and comment for one (1) year, with Hearings conducted in conjunction with the October 2024 American Dental Association (ADA) Annual Meeting, March 2025 American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Annual Session, and 2025 American Academy of Orofacial Pain (AAOP) Annual Meeting, with comments reviewed by the Review Committee and Commission at the Summer 2025 meetings.

Miscellaneous Affairs-Consideration of Matters Relating to More than One Review Committee

Informational Report of Review Committee and Commission Meeting Dates: The Commission reviewed meeting dates through Summer 2025. The Commission considered a change in the Winter 2025 meeting date from January 20-31, 2025 to February 6-7, 2025, pending conference room availability.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed staff to explore the possibility of moving the Winter 2025 CODA Meeting from January 20-31, 2025 to February 6-7, 2025, with notice to the communities of interest pending the final decision.

Miscellaneous Affairs-Matters for the Commission as a Whole

Report of the Standing Committee on Finance: The report of the Standing Committee on Finance can be found in **Appendix 36**. Below are actions taken by the Commission related to the Report of the Standing Committee on Finance.



Update on 2023-2024 Budget Activity and Update on 2025 Budget: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Review of CODA Administrative Fund: The Commission considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed Commission staff to negotiate amendments to the ADA-CODA Shared Services Agreement to stipulate that the Commission's annual operating fund surplus revenue after total expenses are paid be transferred to the Commission's Administrative Fund to its maximum of \$300,000 annually.

Review of Intercompany Memorandum of Understanding and Services Agreement: The Commission considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed Commission staff to obtain specific clarifying information from the ADA Finance Office regarding the Shared Services allocated to CODA in 2022 compared to 2023, including an explanation of the increased cost in relation to services provided, for consideration by the Finance Committee and Commission in Winter 2025.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directed Commission staff to negotiate amendments to the ADA-CODA Shared Services Agreement to stipulate that: 1) the ADA maintain adequate insurance for the Commission and its workforce members, and 2) the ADA's reserves be accessible to the Commission in times of need, through the appropriate and timely request mechanisms established by the American Dental Association's operational protocols.

Timeline (Long-Term Plan) to Assume Total Expenses and Authority to Determine and Manage Annual Operating Budget: The Commission considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee. The Commission considered terminating its review of this topic versus tabling the discussion, and noted that it may wish to revisit this matter in the future.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation tabled indefinitely its plan to obtain sole authority to set and administer the Commission's annual operating budget.

Financial and Comparative Analysis Study: The Commission considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation reviewed and approved the work of the Finance Committee related to the Commission's revenue and expense planning model, with no further action needed at this time.

Update on ADA-CODA Relationship Workgroup: There was no discussion on this report.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.



Report of the Standing Committee on Quality Assurance and Strategic Planning (QASP): The report of the Standing Committee on Quality Assurance and Strategic Planning can be found in **Appendix 37**. While the report was informational, the Commission received an update noting, in particular, that accredited allied dental education programs were extremely appreciative of the Commission's efforts in collecting and distributing information on the Title IV funding changes.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Report of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy Review: The report of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy Review can be found in **Appendix 38**. Below are actions taken by the Commission related to the Report of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy Review.

Regular Review of Commission Policies: The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee and concurred with its recommendations. Additionally, the Commission considered a modification to the qualifications for site visitors who are dentists serving as dental assisting faculty members.

The Commission reviewed and reaffirmed the following policies:

- *Criteria for Consideration of an Application for Accreditation*
- *Policies and Procedures for Accreditation of Programs in a New Dental Education Area or Discipline*
- *Pre-Visit General Information*
- *Policy on Third Party Comments*
- *Policy on Site Visits*
- *Site Visitors: Appointments*
- *Site Visitors: Criteria for Nomination of Site Visitors*
- *Policy Statement on Site Visitor Training*
- *Job Descriptions for Predoctoral Dental Education Visiting Committee Members*
- *Job Descriptions for Advanced Dental Education Site Visitors*
- *Job Descriptions for Allied Dental Education Site Visitors*
- *Policy on Silent Observers*
- *Policy on State Board Participation During Site Visits*
- *Site Visit Procedures*
- *Site Visit Procedures: Duration of Site Visits*
- *Site Visit Procedures: Post-Site Visit Evaluation*

The Commission reviewed and revised the following policies:

- *Self-Study General Information*
- *Policy on Special Site Visits*
- *Policy on Site Visitors*
- *Site Visit Procedures: Final Conferences*
- *Site Visit Procedures: Rescheduling Dates of Site Visits*
- *Site Visit Procedures: Enrollment Requirements for Site Visits for Fully Developed Programs*

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted and implemented immediately the proposed revisions to policies found in **Appendix 39**, including the revision of



policies in the Commission's Evaluation and Operational Policies and Procedures manual and in all appropriate Commission documents.

Consideration of Proposed Revisions to Miscellaneous Policies: The Commission considered and acted on the report.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted and implemented immediately the proposed revisions to the policy found in **Appendix 38**, including the revision of policy in the Commission's Evaluation and Operational Policies and Procedures manual and in all appropriate Commission documents.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed that the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy Review consider the *Policy on Reporting and Approval of Sites Where Educational Activity Occurs*, specifically related to service-learning/community service sites at its Winter 2025 meeting.

Report of the Standing Committee on Communication and Technology: The report of the Standing Committee on Communication and Technology can be found in **Appendix 40**. While this was an informational report, the Commission noted the new tracking mechanism for the Commission's Communication plan, as well as the priority items for the upcoming year.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action is required.

Report of the Standing Committee on Site Visit Process and Training: The report of the Standing Committee on Communication and Technology can be found in **Appendix 41**. The Commission considered the report, noting several items as priority, including identifying a learning management system, creating a survey for site visitors to obtain scenarios and questions for chair training, organizing and delivering chair training for predoctoral site visit chairs, and further developing the Commission's electronic accreditation system.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs CODA staff to investigate potential Learning Management Systems, with a report of findings for the Winter 2025 Commission meeting.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directs CODA staff to survey active site visitors related to themes occurring on site visits, and conduct mandatory site visit chair training, beginning with predoctoral dental site visit chairs, and subsequently all other discipline-specific site visit chairs, with updates on progress through reports to the Standing Committee on Site Visit Process and Training and the Commission.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directs CODA staff to investigate the capabilities of the Electronic Accreditation System, with a report of findings for the Winter 2025 Commission meeting.

Report of the Standing Committee on Nominations: The Commission considered the report of the Standing Committee on Nominations found in **Appendix 42**, including the nominations of qualified consumer/public members for the Review Committees and Appeal Board, and nominations to vacant positions on Review Committees.



The Commission considered nominations submitted by the Standing Committee to fill open positions on the Review Committee and public members of the Board of Commissioners.

Commission Action: The Commission on Dental Accreditation appointed the following nominees to open positions on the Commission's Review Committees.

Non-General Dentist (one (1) vacancy) for Review Committees on Predoctoral Dental Education (PREDOC RC).

- Dr. Daniel Shin
- Alternate: Dr. Luis Yepes
Alternate: Dr. Arifa Bakerywala

Dental Therapy Educator (one (1) vacancy) for Review Committees on Predoctoral Dental Education (PREDOC RC).

Tabled due to insufficient minimal number of qualified nominations submitted for consideration.

General Dentist (four (4) vacancies) for the Review Committees on Dental Assisting Education (DA RC), Dental Laboratory Technology (DLT RC), Dental Public Health (DPH RC), and Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics Education (ORTHO RC).

- Dr. Tiffany McPheeters
 - Dr. Gitanjali Pinto-Sinai
 - Dr. Parvati Iyer
 - Dr. Wil Abshier
- Alternate: Dr. Hussein Assaf
Alternate: Dr. Jisung Park
Alternate: Dr. Dinala Leyva del Rio

Dental Assisting Educator (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Dental Assisting Education (DA RC)

- Ms. Christina Ross
- Alternate: Ms. Ameer Hayes

Dental Hygiene Educator (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Dental Hygiene Education (DH RC)

- Dr. Sharon Peterson
- Alternate: Ms. Donna Wicker

Dental Hygiene Practitioner (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Dental Hygiene Education (DH RC)

- Ms. Mara Crow*
- Alternate: Dr. Leila Liberman

*Completed a vacant term less than 50%, eligible for an additional four-year term.

Public Members (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committees on Dental Public Health Education (DPH RC)

- Dr. Kristina Petrocco-Napuli



Alternate: Dr. Linda Box

The Commission further considered the appointment of individuals nominated by sponsoring organizations and/or boards to fill discipline-specific vacancies.

General Practice Residency (GPR) Educator (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Postdoctoral General Dentistry Education (PGD RC), nominated by Special Care Dentistry Association (SCDA)

Tabled due to insufficient minimal number of qualified nominations submitted for consideration.

Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Educator (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Postdoctoral General Dentistry Education (PGD RC), nominated by American Dental Education Association (ADEA)

Tabled due to insufficient minimal number of qualified nominations submitted for consideration.

American Association of Public Health Dentistry (AAPHD) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Dental Public Health Education (DPH RC), nominated by the American Association of Public Health Dentistry (AAPHD)

- Dr. Vinod Bhoopathi

Alternate: Dr. Jayapriyaa Shanmugham

American Board of Endodontics (ABE) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Endodontics Education (ENDO RC), nominated by the American Board of Endodontics (ABE)

- Dr. Melissa Drum

Alternate: Dr. Neville McDonald

American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology (ABOMP) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Education (OMP RC), nominated by the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology (ABOMP)

- Dr. Robert Kelsch

Alternate: Dr. John Balise

American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology (AAOMR) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Education (OMR RC), nominated by American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology (AAOMR)

- Dr. Jahanzeb Chaudhry

Alternate: Dr. Saulo Sousa Melo

American Board of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (ABOMS) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Education (OMS RC), nominated by American Board of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (ABOMS)

- Dr. Deepak Krishnan

Alternate: Dr. Joseph Cillo

American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) and American Board of Orthodontics (ABO) Joint Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Orthodontics & Dentofacial



Orthopedics Education (ORTHO RC), nominated by American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) and American Board of Orthodontics (ABO)

- Dr. Chung How Kau
- Alternate: Dr. Leslie Will

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education (PED RC), nominated by American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD)

- Dr. Clarice Law Eyre
- Alternate: Dr. Matthew Geneser

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) and American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD) Joint Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Pediatric Dentistry Education (PED RC), nominated by American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) and American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD)

- Dr. JC Shirley
- Alternate: Dr. John Liu

American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Periodontics Education (PERIO RC), nominated by American Academy of Periodontology (AAP)

- Dr. Dolphus Dawson
- Alternate: Dr. Pineloi Xenoudi

American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Prosthodontics Education (PROS RC), nominated by American College of Prosthodontists (ACP)

Tabled due to insufficient minimal number of qualified nominations submitted for consideration.

American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) and American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP) Joint Nominee (one (1) vacancy) for the Review Committee on Prosthodontics Education (PROS RC), nominated by American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) and American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP)

- Dr. Frank Tuminelli
- Alternate: Dr. Gerald Grant

Report of the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Professional Development and Mega Issues: The Commission considered the report and recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Professional Development and Mega Issues (**Appendix 43**). The Commission noted the August 7, 2024 Mega Issue on artificial intelligence, as noted above. Additionally, related to the next Mega Issue in Winter 2025, the Commission noted an additional day would be required on the Wednesday prior to the Commission meeting.

Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directed the Ad Hoc Committee on Professional Development to coordinate a Winter 2025 Mega Issue discussion on “Student Assessment and Evaluation in Dental Education,” and invite three (3) speakers to provide information on the use of Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs) in predoctoral dental, allied dental, and advanced dental education.



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Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Accreditation Standards Related to Diversity and Program Director On-Site Work Expectations in Dental, Advanced Dental and Allied Dental Education Programs:

The Commission considered the report and recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Accreditation Standards Related to Diversity and Program Director On-Site Work Expectations in Dental, Advanced Dental and Allied Dental Education Programs (**Appendix 44**). The Commission noted its review of these topics on Wednesday of the Commission's meeting week, as noted above. The Commission believed these topics were of such importance that the entire Commission comprised the Ad Hoc Committee. Related to the proposals found in letter from The National Coalition, the Commission noted that intent statements are not requirements and therefore revision to intent statements may not bring about change. The Commission also noted the recent proposed revisions of predoctoral dental education and oral and maxillofacial surgery in relation to diversity, noting that consistency among advanced education programs may be advisable. Following consideration, CODA acted on the report.

Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs all Education Review Committees to consider the proposed revisions for the Dental Standards 1-2 and 1-3 and proposed revisions for the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Standards 1-11 and 2-1.7, for possible inclusion of similar Standards within the Review Committee's own discipline(s) to address diversity and the humanistic culture, with a report to the Commission in Winter 2025.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directs the Ad Hoc Committee (i.e., all CODA Commissioners) to continue its review of The National Coalition of Dentists for Health Equity December 1, 2023, short-term and long-term recommendations, with additional work to occur prior to the Commission's Winter 2025 meeting.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation further directs a formal communication to The National Coalition of Dentists for Health Equity to provide an update on the Commission's review of this matter, noting the topic's complexity and rapidly changing educational and regulatory environment, which must be monitored, while noting the Commission's commitment to a diverse academic environment.

Consideration of a Request to Establish a Process of Accreditation for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Operative Dentistry, Cariology and Biomaterials:

The Commission considered the Academy of Operative Dentistry (AOD) request to Establish a Process of Accreditation for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Operative Dentistry, Cariology and Biomaterials (**Appendix 45**). The Commission noted it had considered a request from AOD in the past, and the proposed new Ad Hoc Committee should receive CODA's prior report as background information.

Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the request that the Commission establish a process of accreditation for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Operative Dentistry, Cariology and Biomaterials, with a report to the Commission in Winter 2025.

Consideration of a Request to Establish a Process of Accreditation for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Trigeminal Nerve Surgery and Disorders:

The Commission considered Dr. John Zuniga's request to Establish a Process of Accreditation for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Trigeminal Nerve Surgery and



Disorders (**Appendix 46**). The Commission noted this is a new clinical fellowship area, and noted that CODA has established Criteria for consideration of such requests, which prompted Commission review rather than immediate review by the Review Committee on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Education.

Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the request that the Commission establish a process of accreditation for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Trigeminal Nerve Surgery and Disorders, with a report to the Commission in Winter 2025.

Report on Appointment of Commissioners and Appeal Board Members: The Commission reviewed information on the Commissioners and Appeal Board Members whose terms would end at the American Dental Association (ADA) 2024 Meeting and their replacements whose terms would begin at the ADA Meeting. The Commission also reviewed information on the 2025 Commissioner Trainees whose terms will begin in 2026 (**Appendix 47**).

Additionally, the following Commissioners received acknowledgement regarding their service on the Commission:

- Dr. Victor Badner
- Dr. Keith Beasley
- Dr. Maxine Feinberg
- Dr. Martha McCaslin
- Garry Myers

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair of the Commission: By acclamation, the Commission elected Dr. Frank Licari as chair of the Commission and Dr. Cataldo Leone as vice-chair of the Commission for 2024-2025.

Report of the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC): Ms. Mandy Hayre, Vice-chair of the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC) provided an update on the CDAC activities as presented in the CDAC's report to the Commission.

Commission Action: This report is informational in nature and no action was taken.

Update on United States Department of Education (USDE) and Higher Education Accreditation Issues: The Commission's Senior Director provided a brief update on the United States Department of Education.

Survey of Meeting: Commissioners were reminded to complete the electronic post-meeting survey. The survey is important for determining whether the Commission is achieving its goals for the year and how the virtual meeting technology performed for this meeting.

New Businesses: The Commission considered several matters brought forward under new business.

Artificial Intelligence Mega Issue Presentation at the Summer 2024 CODA Meeting: In follow-up to the Mega Issue discussion of Summer 2024, a motion passed to direct further consideration of artificial intelligence within the Accreditation Standards.



Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs appointment of an Ad Hoc Committee to evaluate/recommend integration of artificial intelligence (AI) into appropriate Accreditation Standards for dental education across the domains of curriculum development and administration, faculty development, institutional resources, clinical education and patient care, research, and continuous evaluation and feedback, with a future report to the Commission.

Staggered Review Committee Appointments: The Commission noted that several Review Committee include membership in which many if not all individuals' terms expire in the same year. For continuity, the Commission believed appointment terms should be reviewed and staggered.

Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs its Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy Review to consider the appointment terms for dental public health, dental anesthesiology, oral medicine, and orofacial pain Review Committees, including the potential establishment of staggered terms to ensure continuity among the Review Committees when members' terms expire.

Ad Hoc Committee to Study American Dental Association and American Dental Education Association Stakeholder Study of the Commission on Dental Accreditation: The Commission noted that it is awaiting a stakeholder report from the American Dental Association (ADA)/American Dental Education Association (ADEA). In anticipation of the report, the Commission believed an Ad Hoc Committee should be formed.

Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs appointment of an Ad Hoc Committee of current and former Commission members to review the American Dental Association (ADA)/American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Stakeholder Report on the Commission, at such time that the Commission receives the report, with a future report to the Commission.

Staff Appreciation: The Commission on Dental Accreditation acknowledged the dedication of the CODA staff.

Commission Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation acknowledged the dedication and selfless service that Dr. Sherin Tookes, Senior Director and the entire Commission on Dental Accreditation staff carries out daily assuring the integrity of the dental accreditation process and maintaining the highest level of quality in its over 1,400 accredited programs. In deep appreciation for your high level of professionalism and dedicated service, the Commission on Dental Accreditation expresses our sincere gratitude to the entire CODA Staff for your tireless efforts, insightful guidance and for creating a collaborative environment which makes the work of our committee possible.

Adjourn: The Commission adjourned the open session at 12:43 P.M.
