



**Commission on Dental Accreditation
Unofficial Report of Major Actions
February 10-11, 2022**

1. The Commission reviewed accreditation reports and took 378 accreditation actions on dental, advanced dental, and allied dental education programs, and recorded two (2) mail ballots on dental hygiene and oral maxillofacial surgery (residency) education programs.

A total of 10 new programs were granted accreditation:

Educational Program	Number
Advanced Education in General Dentistry (12-month)	1
Dental Hygiene	4
Dental Public Health	1
General Practice Residency (12-month)	1
Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics	1
Pediatric Dentistry	1
Predoctoral Dental Education	1

One (1) predoctoral dental, one (1) pediatric dentistry, one (1) dental hygiene, one (1) dental laboratory technology, and one (1) endodontics education program received a formal warning that accreditation will be withdrawn in August 2022 unless the requested information, demonstrating compliance with the Accreditation Standards or Commission policy, is submitted prior to that time.

The Commission affirmed the reported voluntary discontinuance effective date of two (2) dental assisting, one (1) dental hygiene, one (1) general practice residency (12-month), one (1) oral and maxillofacial surgery (residency), and two (2) oral and maxillofacial surgery (fellowship) education programs, at the request of their respective sponsoring institutions.

2. The Commission adopted revisions to the following Accreditation Standards:
 - Accreditation Standards for Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, specifically the deletion of the word “proficiency” within the Definition of Terms, with immediate implementation.
 - Accreditation Standards for Clinical Fellowship Training Programs in Craniofacial and Special Care Orthodontics, with an implementation date of January 1, 2023
 - Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Pediatric Dentistry, specifically related to the Definition of Terms and intent statement within Standard 4-7, with immediate implementation.
 - Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Periodontics, with an implementation date of January 1, 2023.
3. The Commission directed the following proposed revisions to Accreditation Standards be circulated to the communities of interest for comment including, as applicable, hearings conducted in conjunction with the March 2022 American Dental Education Association

(ADEA) Annual Meeting and the October 2022 American Dental Association (ADA) Annual Meeting:

- Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Public Health, Standard 2-4, with circulation to the communities of interest until December 1, 2022 for consideration at the February 2023 meeting of the Commission.
 - Accreditation Standards for Advanced Dental Education Programs in Dental Anesthesiology, Standards 2-2 and 2-6, with circulation to the communities of interest until December 1, 2022 for consideration at the February 2023 meeting of the Commission.
4. The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee on Finance and took the following actions:
- Directed Commission members of the ADA-CODA Relationship Workgroup to pursue changes in the Shared Services agreement related to the Administrative Fund cap, and alert the Workgroup of expectations related to the Commission's electronic accreditation software tool.
 - Directed Commission members of the ADA-CODA Relationship Workgroup to alert the Workgroup to the Commission's 2022-2026 Strategic Plan, goals and strategies related to the Commission assuming full authority to determine and manage its annual operating budget.
 - Directed that the Commission's 2023 budget include the addition of three (3) full-time equivalent staff positions dedicated solely to the Commission.
 - Approved the 2023 Annual and Application Fees as follows:
 - Adopted a 2% increase in annual fees for all disciplines in 2023; \$8,380 for predoctoral dental education programs, \$2,100 for dental assisting, dental hygiene, dental therapy, and advanced dental education programs, and \$1,490 for dental laboratory technology programs.
 - Affirmed that during the year a program is due for a regular accreditation site visit, the annual fee will be doubled.
 - Maintained the application fees of \$67,400 for predoctoral dental education programs and \$16,850 for allied and advanced education programs.
 - Approved the 2023 International Fees as follows:
 - Maintained the international predoctoral dental education application fee of \$76,660 in 2023.
 - Adopted a 2% increase in the international predoctoral dental education annual accreditation fee of \$19,670 in 2023.
 - Affirmed that in 2023 international predoctoral dental education programs pay all site visit expenses (actual expenses) for all site visits during the application and regular site visit schedule.
 - Affirmed that in 2023 international predoctoral dental education programs pay an administrative fee of 25% of the total site visit cost for coordination of each site visit.
 - Maintained the International Consulting Fee (outside of PACV process) of \$5,000.
 - Affirmed that all international fees must be paid in U.S. Dollars.

- Approved other accreditation fees as follows:
 - Maintained the Special Focused Site Visit Administrative Fee of \$5,000.
 - Maintained the CODA Fee for Non-Compliance with CODA Policy on Privacy and Data Security (HIPAA) of \$4,000 per program per submission.
 - Maintained the Email/Contact Distribution List Fee of a \$200 minimum.
 - Assessed the CODA Administrative Fund fee of \$25 per program in 2023.
 - Directed that the current PACV International Consultation and Accreditation Fees be maintained.
 - Directed the revision of the policy on Invoicing Process for Special Focused Site Visits within the Evaluation and Operational Policies and Procedures, effective immediately.
5. The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee on Quality Assurance and Strategic Planning and took the following actions:
- Adopted the 2022-2026 Strategic Plan Progress Tracking Sheet, and the 2022-2026 Operational Effectiveness Tracking Sheet with immediate implementation and annual reporting on progress through the Standing Committee on Quality Assurance and Strategic Planning, and the Commission.
 - Directed Commission members of the ADA-CODA Relationship Workgroup to engage in an in-depth discussion with the ADA Board of Trustees members of the Workgroup related to CODA's Administrative Fund cap, Shared Services Agreement, and the financial and operational relationship between CODA and the ADA in relation to CODA's 2022-2026 Strategic Plan.
6. The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy Review, and took the following actions:
- Directed the Review Committees on Dental Assisting, Dental Hygiene, Dental Laboratory Technology, and Predoctoral Dental Education to review the Accreditation Standards within their purview and confirm the language and names of accrediting agencies included is accurate, complete and current, and to review and replace, where appropriate, regional/national accreditation with institutional accreditation, with a report to the Commission at its Summer 2022 meeting.
 - Directed continued monitoring of the adequate number of volunteers, including discipline-specific volunteers, to serve on all levels of the Commission including review committees and the Board of Commissioners and consider modifications, as necessary, in the future.
 - Adopted the following revised policies within its Evaluation and Operational Policies and Procedures Manual with immediate implementation:
 - Review Committees and Review Committee Meetings, Structure
 - Protocol for Review of Report On Accreditation Status of Educational Programs
 - Policy and Procedure for Development and Revision of Accreditation Standards
 - Application for Accreditation for Fully Operational Programs with Enrollment and Without Accreditation
 - Application for Initial Accreditation for Developing Programs
 - Criteria for Granting Accreditation

- Policy on Third Party Comments
 - Site Visitors, Criteria for Nomination of Site Visitors
 - Reporting of Program Changes in Accredited Programs
 - Policy on Interruption of Education
 - Policy on Non-Enrollment of First Year Students/Residents
 - Anonymous Comments/Complaints
- Directed staff to further review and propose changes to the Criteria for Granting Accreditation for consideration at the Summer 2022 meetings of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy and the Commission.
 - Directed staff to further review and propose changes to the Policy on Interruption of Education for consideration at the Summer 2022 meetings of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy and the Commission.
 - Directed the Review Committees on Postdoctoral General Dentistry, Dental Anesthesiology, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain to review the Policy on Enrollment Increases in Advanced Dental Education Programs and consider the implementation of authorized enrollment for programs in these disciplines, for consideration at the Winter 2023 meeting of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy and the Commission.
 - Directed the **deadlines for submitting reports to CODA be revised to a new deadline of May 1 and November 1, with immediate implementation**, and that the Commission's EOPP and all appropriate Commission documents be updated, as applicable.
7. The Commission reviewed the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Alternative Site Visit Methods, and took the following actions:
- Adopted the proposed revisions to the Policy on Temporary Use of Alternative Site Visit Methods to include protocols for in-person follow-up site visits following virtual site visits, with immediate implementation.
 - Directed staff to initiate the follow-up on-site visit planning, and to develop and disseminate to programs and CODA site visitors a template Site Visit Schedule and template Site Visitor Evaluation Report specific to the on-site visit process following a virtual site visit.
 - Directed staff to gather data to facilitate the Ad Hoc Committee on Alternative Site Visit Method's study of alternative site visit methods to identify whether any changes in processes or procedures for the conduct of site visits using alternative methods could be implemented long-term.
8. The Commission reviewed the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Volunteerism, and took the following actions:
- Directed the Standing Committee on Finance to review the Commission's funding model to determine the impact of a stipend and honorarium on the Commission's operational budget, with a report to the Commission in Summer 2022.
 - Directed a survey of past and current site visitors and current Review Committee members to determine barriers to service, perceptions and attitudes toward volunteering, and links of volunteerism to service, promotion and tenure, with further consideration by the Ad Hoc Committee on Volunteerism and Commission in Summer 2022.



- Directed that term limits for all Commission volunteers be retained, as dictated by current Commission policy.
 - Directed that a single public member may serve as a member of more than one (1) Review Committee during their tenure as a Review Committee Public Member, effective immediately, with revision to the Commission's Evaluation and Operational Policies and Procedures.
9. The Commission directed 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 Geriatric Dentistry, with a report to the Commission in Summer 2022.
10. The Commission directed the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the changing landscape of healthcare delivery centers that may sponsor advanced dental education programs and the increased interest in creation and potential accreditation of combined advanced dental education programs in two (2) discipline areas, with a report to the Commission in Summer 2022.

Commission Members: Dr. Evanthia Anadioti, Dr. Victor Badner, Dr. Keith Beasley, Dr. Joel Berg, Dr. Carolyn Brown, Dr. Linda Casser, Dr. Gary Heir (substitute for Dr. Joseph Cohen), Dr. Scott DeRossi, Dr. Scott DeVito, Dr. Maxine Feinberg, Mr. Marco Gargano, Dr. Joseph Giovannitti, Dr. Kevin Haubrick, Dr. John Hellstein, Dr. Amid Ismail, Dr. Susan Kass, Dr. James Katancik, Dr. Barbara Krieg-Menning, Dr. George Kushner, Dr. Brent Larson, Dr. Frank Licari, Dr. Sanjay Mallya (vice chair), Ms. Martha McCaslin, Dr. Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch, Dr. Garry Myers, Dr. Miriam Robbins, Dr. Nancy Rosenthal, Dr. Bruce Rotter (chair), Dr. Timmothy Schwartz, Dr. Marybeth Shaffer, Dr. Alan Stein, Ms. Lonni Thompson, and Dr. Marshall Titus.

Dr. Joseph Cohen was unable to attend the meeting and Dr. Gary Heir attended as a substitute.
