



**Commission on Dental Accreditation
Unofficial Report of Major Actions
August 2-3, 2018**

1. The Commission reviewed accreditation reports and took 364 accreditation actions on dental, advanced dental, and allied dental education programs and recorded one (1) mail ballot on a maxillofacial prosthetics education program.

A total of three (3) new programs were granted accreditation:

Educational Program	Number
Dental Assisting	2
Dental Hygiene	1

Three (3) dental assisting, one (1) pediatric dentistry and, two (2) oral and maxillofacial surgery programs received a formal warning that accreditation will be withdrawn in February 2019 unless the requested information, demonstrating compliance with the accreditation standards, is submitted prior to that time.

The Commission affirmed the reported voluntary discontinuance effective date or planned closure date of four (4) dental assisting, two (2) dental hygiene, one (1) endodontics, one (1) dental anesthesiology, and one (1) general practice residency education programs, at the request of their respective sponsoring institutions.

2. The Commission adopted revisions to the following accreditation standards:
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs, Standard 2-8, with implementation July 1, 2019.
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs, Standard 3-1, with implementation July 1, 2019.
 - Accreditation Standards for Advanced Education Programs in General Dentistry, with immediate implementation.
 - Accreditation Standards for Advanced Education Programs in General Practice Residency, with immediate implementation.
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Hygiene Education Programs, Standards 2-1 and 2-24, with implementation January 1, 2019.
 - Accreditation Standards for Advanced Specialty Education Programs in Dental Public Health, with immediate implementation.

3. The Commission directed the following proposed revisions to Accreditation Standards be circulated to the communities of interest for comment including, as applicable, hearings at the 2018 American Dental Association (ADA) Meeting and 2019 American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Annual Meeting:
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs, Standard 2-24d, with circulation to the communities of interest for a period of one year, for consideration at the August 2019 meeting of the Commission.
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Education Programs, Standard 2-25, with circulation to the communities of interest for a period of one year, for consideration at the August 2019 meeting of the Commission.

- Accreditation Standards for Advanced General Dentistry Education Programs in Dental Anesthesiology, Standard 3-2, with circulation to the communities of interest for a period of one year, for consideration at the August 2019 meeting of the Commission.
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs, Standards 2-5, 2-6, 2-7, 2-13, and new Standard 2-6, with circulation to the communities of interest for a period of one year, for consideration at the August 2019 meeting of the Commission.
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Assisting Education Programs, Standard 2-13 with circulation to the communities of interest for a period of one year, for consideration at the August 2019 meeting of the Commission.
 - Accreditation Standards for Dental Hygiene Education Programs, Standard 2-12 and Definition of Terms, with circulation to the communities of interest for a period of one year, for consideration at the August 2019 meeting of the Commission.
 - Accreditation Standards for Advanced Specialty Education Programs in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics, Standard 4-3.4, with circulation to the communities of interest for a period of one year, for consideration at the August 2019 meeting of the Commission.
4. The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee on Finance and took the following actions:
- Directed a communication to the ADA Board of Trustees requesting that the Shared Services Agreement be finalized and executed.
 - Directed a formal communication to the ADA Board of Trustees requesting an update on Resolution B-92-2017, which requested that the ADA develop a mechanism to allow the Commission to establish and access a separate reserve fund to retain its annual revenue after total (direct and indirect) expenses are paid.
5. The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee on Quality Assurance and Strategic Planning and took several actions:
- Adopted the volunteer training plan and directed CODA staff to implement compulsory web-based (live or on-demand) training programs for CODA volunteers.
 - Directed that the establishment of an accreditation process for the use of international sites where educational activity occurs for U.S.-based, CODA-accredited programs offering predoctoral (DDS/DMD) and Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) programs not be developed at this time.
 - Approved for CODA's records the 2018 CODA Self-Assessment, and directed that a summary of the self-assessment be submitted in the Commission's Annual Report to the ADA House of Delegates.
6. The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee on Documentation and Policy Review and took several actions:
- Adopted the following revised policies with immediate implementation:
 - Conflict of Interest Policy for Visiting Committee Members
 - Confidentiality Policy related to Site Visit Report
 - Policy of Simultaneous Service
 - Reciprocal Agreement with the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada
 - Review Committees and Review Committee Meetings
 - Site Visitors, Appointments
 - Site Visit Procedures
 - Reporting Program Changes in Accredited Programs

- Policy on Reporting and Approval of Sites Where Educational Activity Occurs, and related Guidelines for Reporting and Approval of Sites Where Educational Activity Occurs
 - Due Process Related to Appeal of Accreditation Status Decisions
 - Due Process Related to Denial of Initial Accreditation
 - Function and Procedures of the Appeal Board
 - Terminology Related to Advanced Education Programs
 - Adopted the sample revised terminology for advanced education programs and directed staff implementation of consistent terminology within all accreditation and related guideline documents by January 1, 2019.
 - Adopted revisions found in the Commission's Evaluation and Operational Policies and Procedures (EOPP) manual, with implementation in the manual and all appropriate Commission documents by January 1, 2019.
 - Directed submission of revisions to the Commission's *Rules* related to advanced education program terminology to the 2018 ADA House of Delegates for approval.
 - Adopted the communication plan to disseminate these changes, with immediate implementation.
 - Adopted a new Policy on Reprints, with immediate implementation in the Commission's EOPP and in all appropriate Commission documents.
 - Adopted a new Policy on Removal of Commission, Review Committee and Appeal Board Members, with implementation in the Commission's EOPP and in all appropriate Commission documents at such time that the Commission obtains sole authority to remove a commissioner for cause.
 - Adopted revisions to the Commission's *Rules*, with implementation at such time that the Commission obtains authority to carry out the governance oversight noted in the revised *Rules*.
 - Directed the submission of revisions to the Commission's *Rules* related to governance oversight to the 2018 ADA House of Delegates for approval.
7. The Commission reviewed the report related to the Standing Committee on Communication and Technology, and took several actions:
- Approved the 2019-2023 Communication Plan
 - Approved the 2019-2023 Technology Assessment and Strategy
8. The Commission reviewed the report of the Standing Committee on Nominations, and took the following actions:
- Approved nominees to fill vacancies for discipline specific positions and non-discipline specific positions on its Review Committees, beginning fall 2018, and two upcoming vacancies for public members on the Commission beginning fall 2019.
 - Adopted a revision to the Commission's Criteria for Practitioner Nominees, with immediate implementation within the Evaluation and Operational Policies and Procedures manual.
9. The Commission considered the request to establish a Review Committee for Dental Anesthesiology and directed that establishment of a Dental Anesthesiology Review Committee is not warranted at this time. The Commission also directed a communication to the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists (ASDA) notifying the ASDA of the Commission's action on the ASDA request.
10. The Commission reviewed the report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Establish an Accreditation Process for Advanced General Dentistry Education Programs in Operative Dentistry, Cariology, and



Biomaterials, and directed that the Commission not establish a process of accreditation for advanced general dentistry education programs in operative dentistry, cariology, and biomaterials at this time. The Commission also directed a communication to the Academy of Operative Dentistry (AOD) notifying the AOD of the Commission’s action.

- 11. The Commission elected Dr. Loren Feldner as chair of the Commission and Dr. Arthur Jee as vice-chair of the Commission for 2018-2019.
- 12. The Commission acknowledged the following Commissioners whose terms will expire in October 2018: Dr. Ralph Attanasi, Dr. William Leffler (chair), Dr. Mark Lerman, Dr. William Lobb, Dr. Michael Mills, Ms. Cindy Stergar, and Dr. Matthew Wheeler.

Commission Members: Dr. John Agar, Dr. Ralph Attanasi, Dr. Susan Callahan Barnard, Mr. David Cushing, Dr. Loren Feldner (vice-chair), Dr. Catherine Flaitz, Dr. Steven Friedrichsen, Dr. James Geist, Dr. Christopher Hasty, Dr. Monica Hebl, Dr. H. Garland Hershey, Jr., Dr. Jeffery Hicks, Dr. Adolphus Jackson, Dr. Tariq Javed, Dr. Arthur Jee, Dr. Bradford Johnson, Dr. Bruce Kinney, Dr. Mark Lerman, Dr. Steven Levy, Dr. William Leffler (chair), Dr. William Lobb, Mr. Charles McClemens, Dr. Michael Mills, Ms. Nancy Mo, Dr. William Nelson, Ms. Deanna Stentiford, Ms. Cindy Stergar, Mr. Glenn Unser, Dr. Matthew Wheeler and Dr. Lawrence Wolinsky.

Dr. Bruce Kinney and Ms. Cindy Stergar were unable to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Trainees: Dr. Linda Casser, Dr. Kevin Haubrick, Dr. John Hellstein, Dr. James Katancik, Dr. Bruce Rotter, Dr. Marybeth Shaffer, and Dr. Alan Stein.

Trustee Liaison: Dr. Robert Bitter, Board of Trustees Liaison to CODA, Eighth District Trustee, American Dental Association (ADA).

Guests: Dr. Amarjit Rihal, Chair, Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC), and Ms. Lee Callan, Manager, CDAC.

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