

**Commission on Dental Accreditation
Unofficial Report of Major Actions
SPECIAL CLOSED MEETING
October 13, 2020**

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) conducted a special, closed meeting on October 13, 2020 to discuss the impact of COVID-19 on dental and dental related education programs for the Class of 2021. The Commission considered the temporary flexibility guidance that may exist related to ongoing interruption of education. The Commission also considered accreditation matters related to interruption of education reports for educational programs.

Consideration of Ongoing Flexibility in Accreditation Standards Related to Interruption of Education for All Commission Accredited Dental and Dental Related Education Programs Related to COVID-19 and the Graduating Class of 2021: The Commission on Dental Accreditation considered meeting reports of its 14 Review Committees related to interruption of education for the Class of 2021. The Commission took the following major actions:

- The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs that there be a uniform process by which the Commission will review and assess the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on dental and dental related education programs for the Class of 2021.
- The Commission on Dental Accreditation adopts and directs the circulation of the temporary flexibility guidance documents for each discipline under its purview to all Commission-accredited dental and dental related education programs, as a resource to address interruption of education reporting requirements resulting from COVID-19 for the Class of 2021.
- The Commission on Dental Accreditation directs that all Commission-accredited education programs submit a report on temporary flexibility needed for the Class of 2021 in March 2021, for review by the Commission in Spring 2021.

Consideration of Matters Relating to Accreditation Actions: The Commission on Dental Accreditation reviewed interruption of education reports on predoctoral dental education programs, advanced dental education programs, and allied dental education programs for the Class of 2020.

Commission Members: Dr. John Agar, Dr. Joel Berg, Dr. Linda Casser, Dr. Scott DeVito, Dr. Christopher Hasty, Dr. Kevin Haubrick, Dr. Monica Hebl, Dr. John Hellstein, Dr. Jeffery Hicks (vice chair), Dr. Amid Ismail, Dr. Adolphus Jackson, Dr. Arthur Chen-Shu Jee (chair), Dr. Bradford Johnson, Dr. Susan Kass, Dr. James Katancik, Dr. Brent Larson, Dr. Steven Levy, Dr. Sanjay Mallya, Mr. Charles McClemens, Dr. Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch, Dr. William Nelson, Dr. Bruce Rotter, Dr. Timmothy Schwartz, Dr. Marybeth Shaffer, Ms. Ambika Srivastava, Dr. Alan Stein, Ms. Deanna Stentiford, Dr. Marshall Titus, and Dr. Lawrence Wolinsky.

Dr. Barbara Krieg-Menning was not in attendance.

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