



Virginia

Dental Hygienists' Association

The Curet

Spring 2019

Presidents Message

Come join the greatest show on earth!

Dear Members,

I hope all of you had the opportunity to attend VDHA's Spring Scientific Session in Chantilly, VA this year! It was certainly a weekend to remember with the series of fabulous and educational speakers that our leadership team selected. All attendees were treated to presentations on contemporary periodontics and technology, diets and systemic health, stress response on the body, periodontal coding changes from 2018, and managing medically compromised patients. A huge thank you goes to the VDHA Planning and Development Council and the VDHA Foundation for helping to plan another terrific event!

For this Curet, I wanted to share another valuable gem from my Unleashing Your Potential experience regarding ADHA's infrastructure. My hope is that this information will help members and non-members to understand how hard ADHA is working for YOU!

ADHA Infrastructure

Corporate Development/Institute of Oral Health: IOH helps to provide scholarships/grants for professional and student members. Corporate development and IOH are aided by developing relationships with other associations/organizations to get more information and funding for research. ADHA has staff dedicated for this purpose!

Education and Professional Advocacy: This department is designed to help protect and preserve our profession. Ann Lynch provides state and federal legislative support and advocacy efforts. Recently she and Ann Battrell, ADHA's CEO, made coordinated efforts at the White House to address issues like license portability, provider neutrality, barriers to care, and Medicare changes. The existing guidelines for Medicare are 40 years old, and ADHA will have a seat at the table to help make the changes necessary to increase access to care!

Member Engagement: For this department they manage renewal, retention, and recruitment of members across the nation. Members matter, and each one helps to grow the support system that is ADHA!

Professional Development: The number one goal of this department is to support dental hygienists throughout their career. This includes research, CE's, webinars, meetings, online communities, and so much more. For this department, it is crucial to always be thinking ahead about what will help each level of our professional career. From student to retiree, every hygienist matters!

Stay tuned for the next gem in the Summer CURET!

Remember, "Nobody ever makes a difference by being like everyone else."- PT Barnum, *The Greatest Showman*

Emilie M. Bonovitch, RDH
VDHA President 2018-2019



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Upcoming Events

Executive Board Meetings

July 27, 2019 ZOOM online
October 27, 2019 8am-12pm Richmond, VA

HOD and Professional Development Workshop

October 24-27, 2019 Richmond, VA
Double Tree by Hilton, 1021 Kroger Center Blvd, Richmond VA

SAVE THE DATE!

Ignite VDHA Leadership Workshop

November 16, 2019 Charlottesville, VA

Spring Scientific Session

March 26-29, 2020 Richmond, VA



Join us on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/vdha.net>

Component News & Reports

Greater Richmond

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Activities of the Greater Richmond Component

March 4th CE Course. “Communicating with Confidence” presented by Caryn Tierney, RDH, BSDH, MA. Excellent information on communication skills to create trust and confidence between patients and practitioners.

April 6th we were able to mentor VCU seniors by reviewing interviewing skills and answering questions about working in the real world. Melanie Bartlam also provided students an opportunity for a mock interview!

April 18th CE Course. “The Updated Periodontal Disease Classification and Intro to Tooth Autotransplantation” presented by Dr. Chris R. Richardson, DMD, MS. We had a great turnout and a very informative and entertaining course provided by Dr. Richardson.



April 4th

Celebrating VCU Senior Dental Hygiene students. Our event was held at Garden Grove Brewery in Carytown. Students were presented with business nametags with their new credentials engraved. The students had an opportunity to relax, socialize and salute their accomplishments.

April 5th

VCU Dental Hygiene program celebrate 50 years at their 2019 Alumni Reunion Weekend.

The “Nifty Fifty” were 50 graduates of the program who were nominated by their peers for their contributions to the field of dental hygiene. Some VDHA members L to R: Melanie Swain, Tammy Ridout, Trish Bonwell, Megan Breslin, Kristen Greene, Christy Casella, Emilie Bonovitch, Erin Fox, Christian Waterman, Susan Reid-Carr, Heather Tuthill, Tammy Swecker, Marlene Rhodes, and Marjorie Barker



Greater Richmond Board meetings

Monday April 1st, we had a very productive meeting with several students in attendance.

Next Board meeting Monday August 5th at 6:30pm
Wegmans Short Pump. Come join us!

Monticello

Several members of Monticello Component 06 attended a very informative, productive, successful VDHA Scientific Session in Chantilly, VA to include Evelyn Grant, Mimi Magyar, Sheri Moore and Nicole Fischer Wells.

Northern Virginia

NVDHA was very busy in February during Children's Dental Health Month. Thank you to the scheduling efforts of Deirdre Kane. Our volunteers were able to visit multiple Head Start programs in the area. These are 2nd year NVCC students.



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Congratulations to Sheila Sheats for all the continuous years of dedication to VDHA. Thank you!



Kelly DiVito with Scientific Session Speaker, Patti DiGangi



NVDHA installation luncheon. Thank you to our outgoing Chair Rhea Rossi, who served for two years. Congratulations to Sheila Sheats for accepting the Chair position. Jennifer Zimmerman was awarded the Award of Dedication; Julie Simms for Outstanding Member award; Cathy Berard for Component Recognition award; and Kelly DiVito for the Future Leader Award.

Northwest Virginia

President – Kate Hoffman
Vice President – Megan Hill
Secretary – Lori Ellington
Treasurer – Karen Avey
Trustee – Linda Gill



Continuing Education Events

A big **THANK YOU!** To Mark Zemanovich, DDS who presented: Implants from a Periodontists' Perspective on April 20, 2019.

Upcoming Event

Title: **REVIVE Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Training for Virginia**

Speaker-Linda Boyd, RDH

~ and ~

Title: **2019 Virginia Legislative Update and the Dental Hygiene Scope of Practice**

What are other possibilities to Advance the Profession and the Public's Well Being?

Speaker-Cathy Berard RDH

Lord Fairfax Community College - Middletown Campus

Science and Health Building - Room 145

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Saturday, May 18, 2019

Please go to <https://vdha.wildapricot.org> for registration.

We meet the third Thursday of every month at Sal's Bistro (wonderful food!) in Edinburg. Meeting starts at 7:00pm but if you would like dinner please come a little early! See you there!

Submitted,

Linda Gill

Trustee Component #10



Peninsula

Julie Martin, PDHC and VDHA Council on Member Services Chair dedicated her entire weekend promoting membership during the ODU's Winter Weekend in February. Marge Green joined her on Saturday to assist in marketing sales of PDHC's, two lovely fundraising baskets. We also enjoyed sharing the marketing table and time with our TDHC colleagues. During Scientific Session in March, Julie passionately managed the Membership Table and a dazzling photo booth, as well as captured priceless photos throughout the weekend as VDHA's Historian.

April began with an extensive Executive Committee Zoom meeting of designing the calendar events of Fall 2019 and 2020, and strategic planning for leadership transition accommodating Julie's completion of 3 years as Chair and young professionals being mentored to assume more ownership of PDHC. April 13th entailed the VDHA Ex. Bd. Zoom meeting. On April 24th, Trustee Green attended the ODU School of Dental Hygiene's Advisory Board meeting as the PDHC rep. April 25th was a well-attended and highly inspirational CE event and celebration of the Class of 2019. Coordinated by Trustee Green, a 2-hr. inspiring course: "Expanding Your Career as a Dental Hygienist: Seven Professional Roles" was generated by six expert panelists addressing a set of questions followed by a Q & A session. Both classes of TNCC and area RDHs were captivated by the stories and new information shared. Gail Lesser of Ultradent addressed the group, arranged for corporate funding and special product gift bags for the graduates.



Panelists addressing 7 Professional Roles of the Dental Hygienist

Left to Right:

Anna Marie Barbera, AAS, RDH, BS, MBA,
Kelly Tanner, PhD, RDH, Jessica Suedbeck, MSDH,
RDH, Marge Green, MS, RDH (coordinator), Denise
Claiborne, PhD, RDH, Tracie D. Hill, MPH, BS,
RDH, Ann Matika, BSDH, RDH

Following the enriching CE event, the seven, outstanding graduates of TNCC were celebrated with cake, fun photos and Ultradent product gift bags.



With gratitude to the VDHA for its sponsorship of the cloisonné RDH pins, the PDHC will participate in TNCC's Annual Pinning and Awards Ceremony on May 7th. In addition to conducting the pinning, PDHC will announce, with surprise, the single recipient of its *Future Leader Award* which includes 6 months, paid ADHA professional membership and publication of her essay.

Other activities of PDHC include creation of a Dropbox for document storage and monthly budget reports. A May meeting of the Executive Committee will take place to fine tune the CE topics and meeting logistics for the remaining calendar of 2019 and 2020. This will help to prepare for a general membership meeting in July/August to align task assignments and volunteers to drive the component's planned operations and conduct elections of a Chair, Delegates and committee workforce. The component's campaign for VHY PAC has acquired 4 new memberships and a generous donation of \$100. PDHC also donated a gift basket valued over \$65 used as an incentive gift item by VHY PAC during March Scientific Session fundraising.

Delightfully, we report Denise Claiborne, PhD, RDH and Julie Martin, BSDH, RDH have stepped up to serve on the Rapid Response Team (RRT) created by the Virginia Department of Health.

Submitted by: Marge Green, PDHC Trustee

Piedmont

No Submission at this time

Southwest Virginia

We met on March 21, 2019 via Anytime Meetings.com. Thank you goes to Moe Thompson for hosting our meeting.

The following people were elected to represent us in 2019:

Chair - Kara Davis

Trustee - Sharon Kennedy

Financial Liaison - Margaret Martion

Delegates - Megan Wallace and Margaret Martin

Rapid Response Team Member - Kara Davis

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Kennedy, RDH



"Where flowers bloom, so does hope."

Spring 2019 Greetings from Tidewater Component 03!

Our first CE of the year started strong with a very informative presentation by Orthodontists Neal Klar and Patrick Holmes in January.



Kimberly Pasquale, MD from Eastern Virginia Ear, Nose and Throat Specialists presented our February CE.



Also in February, TDHA sponsored a membership table at Old Dominion University's Winter Weekend CE program



March CE was a hands-on laser presentation by Jennifer Strickler from Ultradent.



In April, we honored ODU graduates with personalized nametags. Many thanks to VDHAF grant that provided graduating students lovely RDH cloisonné pins.

If you are interested in being a part of our professional planning or serving in any capacity, we would love to have you. Reach out to any of the current leaders on our Facebook page or contact Meg Lemaster at meglemaster@gmail.com.

TDHA leadership strives to positively impact fellow dental hygienists and student dental hygienists. Join our Facebook page for updates on issues that impact our profession at the local, state and national levels. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tdha03/>

Meg Lemaster
Trustee 03

Membership News

Hello everyone! We hope you all are enjoying the Spring weather as much as we are. **Congratulations to the recent and upcoming graduates!** Now is the time to transition your student membership into full professional membership. You can call Membership Services at 312-440-8900 or easily transition online through the ADHA website. Remember you get a **FREE** trial membership when you first transition to utilize the professional membership benefits. For more information visit: <https://www.adha.org/student-resources> When the time comes, it is easy and affordable to use the quarterly payments option through the website or Membership Services.



Current Members-we challenge you to find a recent or upcoming graduate and help them with the transition. Mentor them as they start this fulfilling career. Bring them to component, constituent, and national meetings with you. Now is the time to build them up!

If you haven't already, **join the ADHA Squad** to receive the latest news and updates on all things dental hygiene – resources, webinars, speakers, annual conference, continuing education and more! The best part is, the more you share and participate, the more points you earn increasing your chances to win prizes—visit the ADHA website here to learn more information and to sign-up: <https://www.adha.org/involvement-opportunities>

Finally, **thank you** to all of our newest members gained at ODU Winter Weekend and VDHA Scientific Session. We are proud of you for investing in your profession and we want to invest in YOU! Reach out to us with any questions and we hope to see you at future meetings.

If you have any questions regarding membership do not hesitate to contact Jessica Suedbeck at jsued07@gmail.com or Emily Ludwig at <http://eludw003@odu.edu>.

Best,
Jessica Suedbeck, RDH, MSDH and Emily Ludwig, RDH, MSDH
VDHA Membership

VHyPAC News

Greetings from the Virginia Hygienists' Political Action Committee (VHyPAC). We are made up of an elected and appointed Board of Directors. Your directors are as follows: Tracey Martin, Jessica Elmore McManus, Rhea Rossi, Marlene Rhodes and Maureen McCann, chair.

The PAC exists as a critical tool in our advocacy program. It allows us to support legislators who are friendly to our profession and support issues in the General Assembly. Every year legislators consider bills that could impact our profession and it is imperative that we have a seat at the table where the decisions are being made. A strong PAC allows us that opportunity. That being said we are pleased to say you all helped us to raise a substantial amount, in excess of \$3000, at the Scientific Session in March. We had incentive items and a dollar amount goal for the weekend to make it fun. At any given point, your donations can be made to the PAC. This is a critical election year with all 140 of the seats in the House of Delegates and Senate are up for election. We will confer with our lobbyists, especially Mark Hickman, to distribute funds raised wisely.

We can no longer have direct monetary donations from the components, but each component is encouraged to promote its members to donate to the PAC. We can no longer raffle items or play any games of chance, but creative ideas will continue to help fuel our donations. Two components come to mind that have been promoting donations to the PAC at their component meetings: Component 07 and Component 10. The following members of their respective components have made donations to the PAC in 2019 at their component meetings. From Component 07: RoseMarie Monestine, Kristen Page and Cynthia Flowers. From Component #10: Meghan Hill, Pam Kitner and Linda Gill.

Component 07 made us an incentive basket to use as part of our fund-raising efforts at Scientific Session: we chose to give it to the highest monetary contribution to the PAC over that weekend. It was a three-way tie between: Maureen McCann, Jessica McManus and Julie Martin. Yours truly being selected. It was filled with all kinds of goodies for Easter, dental hygiene inspired notions, wine, chocolate and other snacks! Yummy. We encourage other components to consider doing similar fund-raising events and donation promotions at your component meetings. We are all one voice and it is enhanced from PAC contributions.

The following individuals helped us to reach our monetary goals at the Scientific Session:

Julia Akinmade, Karen Avey, Cathy Berard, Yanica Bonilla, Emilie Bonovitch, Linda Boyd, Deborah Buckley, Sharon Clarke, Lesa Crane, Elizabeth DiSilvio, Kelly Divo, Lisa Doyle, Jessica Elmore-McManus, Mary Galloway, Lynn Gelman, Desiree Harrington, Catherine Q. Johnson, Pam Kitner, Joyce Kwiatkowski-Spieler, Lisa Laycock, Dana Lumpkin, Julie Martin, Nancy Martin, Kimberly May, Maureen McCann, Suzie Miller, Dana Myers, Xuan-Phuong Nguyen, Jan O'Brien, Ruth Perlman, Joyce Putnam, Susan Reid-Carr, Elise Reif, Shannon Rellins, Betsy Reynolds, Marlene Rhodes, Rhea Rossi, Sheila Sheats, Julie Simms, Regina Steven-Smith, Dawn Southerly, Debra Sutplun, Krystal Tuson, Teresa Vick, Deanne Watson, Linda Welch, Nicole Wells and Jen Zimmerman

Thank you one and all. Imagine if all your hygiene friends contributed!! Many of these people are repeat contributors and we treasure their commitment. If at any time, you would like to donate please send your contributions directly to:

Virginia Hygienists PAC (VHyPAC)
c/o Commonwealth Strategy Group
118 North 8th St.
Richmond, VA 23219

Respectfully submitted,
Maureen McCann, RDH, BSDH
VHyPAC Chair

Leadership News

Call for VDHA Nominations: Apply by July 1

If you are interested in serving an elected position, applications will be available
May 1, 2019 on the VDHA website:

<http://vdha.wildapricot.org>

- President Elect
- Vice President (2-year term 2019-2021)
- Recording Secretary
- Alternate Speaker of the House
- VhyPac (2-year term 2019-2011)
- VDHA Foundation Treasurer





ADHA Institute for Oral Health

Liaison, Catherine Berard, BSDH, RDH

Ladies and Gentleman, please join us as we Race for the Roses in Louisville, Kentucky at the 4th Annual *Institute for Oral Health In Motion 5K: Run, Walk, Fun 2019*. We have a strong Virginia team who have already signed up as members of the 5K Fun Run team- they are: Emilie Bonovitch, Mimi Magyar, Erin Fox, Meg Lemaster, Jessica Suedbeck, Julie Martin, Cathy Berard, Kelly Fox, Mary Gray, Emily Ludwig, Sheri Moore, Tracey Martin, Marge and Dr. Barry Green. You can visit our team's website to donate at: <https://www.crowdrise.com/o/en/campaign/district-3-red-hot-chili-steppers>

Thank you all so much for helping Virginia reach and surpass our 2017-18 ADHA Institute for Oral Health Fundraising Goal! **This year our goal is \$7,308.00 and we have already raised \$5,228.00 toward it!** Thank you all so much; last year our state raised the most money in our District III and we really hope to be the state that raises the most money during the IOH Fun Run campaign across the entire country this year. Any donations that you send in now will count toward Virginia's goal as well as for our District 3 in the In Motion 5K Run, Walk, Fun Run.

Our VDHA assigned goal for 2018-19 is \$7,308.00 so that only leaves our remaining goal to achieve \$2,080. I am counting on each one of you to help us reach our goal once again this year!

Please contact me if you have any questions, and thank you so much for your continued support of IOH. Cathy Berard, 703-901-6983 (cberard1@msn.com). PS- you can donate directly to ADHA IOH via the ADHA website or VDHA website or contact me and I can send you an envelope that you can use to send your donation directly into the ADHA home office.

Donors to date include every single one of our component organizations: Northern Virginia, Greater Richmond, Tidewater, Monticello, Peninsula, Northwest, and Southwest as well as the Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association and the Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association Foundation.

Individual donors include: C. Arnold, Adriana Arviso, Karen Avey, Catherine A. Berard, Emilie Marie Bonovitch, Erin Fox, Mary L. Gray, Hubby Gray, Margaret L. Green, Erica Guest, Anna Haddock, Charlotte House, Catherine Q. Johnson, Meg Lemaster, Beth Lynn, Elaine Loftin, Pamela W. Lynch, Mimi Magyar, Julie Martin, Nancy Martin, Maureen McCann, Carol McCrary, Sheri Moore, Susan H. Pharr, Amy S. Rankin, Susan Reid-Carr, Melissa Sander, Sheila Sheats, Julie Simms, Connie A. Simmons, Bryan Suedbeck, Vicky Suedbeck, Maureen Morris Thompson, Deanne Watson, Jennifer Zimmerman, and Anonymous in Virginia.

Please visit the IOH website to see the awards, grants and scholarships that are available to you which include the Alice Hinchcliffe Williams, RDH, MS Merit Scholarship that is funded by the Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association Foundation.



VISIT www.adha.org/institute-for-oral-health to learn more!



Planning & Development Council News

Continuing Education

What a terrific Scientific Session we had. We had an amazing time with the best speakers in the nation. We are so fortunate to have had them come to us, especially for those that had not heard them previously and what a treat! There were over 240 participants!

This is especially difficult for me, but as most of you know, I am stepping back from this position and it has been a very educational opportunity for me as well. Working hard for something is in my DNA and you all have been so appreciative and supportive.

Dana Myers and Betsy Di Silvio are going to be working together in this capacity. Of course, I will be mentoring them to the ways of VDHA Foundation and our Scientific Sessions, new blood for sure and new things for the future for certain!

Thank you all for your love and support. I will see you around--you can't get completely rid of me!

Sheila B. Sheats, RDH

Save the Date!!

2019 House of Delegates and
Professional Development Workshop

October 25-27



DoubleTree by Hilton
Richmond Midlothian

1021 Koger Center Blvd, Richmond, VA 23235



Save the date! Learn more at vdha.net

Public Health, Education & Professional Affairs Council News

Co-Chairs: Cathy Berard, BSDH, RDH and Marge Green, RDH, MS

Remote Supervision Toolkits

AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW!!

As an adjunct to the VDHA Remote Supervision Continuing Education course, VDHA is now offering two online Remote Supervision Toolkits for purchase, effective May 1. These toolkits provide essential material and resources that complement the material covered in the Board of Dentistry’s required CE course. Your one-time purchase allows you to download the PDF document, and to access the most updated version, using the URL provided, on an ongoing basis, as this is a ‘living’ resource.

- Exploratory Toolkit – is designed for those who are interested in remote supervision, but don’t know where to start. There is information on grant funding, responsibilities of the remote supervision dentist, and more.
- Site-Specific Toolkit – is designed for those who are interested in one of the specific settings allowed by law. We have included ALL settings in one toolkit, including clinical settings (free clinic, federally qualified health center; charitable safety net facility) and non-clinical settings (Head Start, schools, long term care facilities, WIC clinics).

To access, go to the VDHA website:

<https://vdha.wildapricot.org/>

If you have questions, please contact Susan Pharr:

shpharr@gmail.com

Rapid Response Team Representatives Still Needed

As a reminder, VDHA is recruiting one member per component to serve on the Rapid Response Team formed by the Virginia Department of Health to respond to possible local opposition to community water fluoridation. Here is the list of representatives that have already committed:

Component 02/Greater Richmond	Susan Pharr
Component 07/Peninsula	Denise Claiborne, Julie Martin
Component 09/Southwest	Kara Davis

We still need representatives from Components 01 Northern Virginia, 03 Tidewater, 05 Piedmont, 06 Monticello, and 10 Northwest. Representatives must be VDHA members.

As part of this team, your role is activated only if there is a local challenge to water fluoridation. You will be encouraged and fully prepared with resources to contact your local representatives via email, letter, phone call; attend local board meetings and engage other health professionals. In the meantime, you learn from other areas what the issues are, how they suddenly surface, and the important role that hygienists and dentists play in counteracting non-evidence based information disseminated throughout the community. It is a great way to expand your professional experience beyond your daily professional setting!

If you are interested, or have questions or concerns, please contact Susan Pharr:

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VDHA Foundation



**VIRGINIA DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION
HONOR ROLL REPORT OF GIFTS
January 1, 2018 through April 25, 2019**

JEFFERSON CLUB

Northern Virginia Hygienists' Association
In memory of Patricia A. Golliday, RDH

PATRIOT CLUB

Cathy Berard
Irene Mary Connolly, RDH, MS
In Honor of Karen Avey, RDH, MSDH
James H. Forsberg
In honor of the birthday of my daughter, Julie Simms/
Marge Green
In gratitude for Karen Avey & Sheila Sheats
In honor of Sheila Sheats & Karen Avey
In honor of ADHA District III Trustee,
Dawn A. Dean, RDH, MSDH
Meg Lemaster
In memory of Michelle Darby
Nancy Martin
In honor of Brian Martin
Elaine Newland
In memory of Paul B. Summey II
Susan Pharr, BSDH, MPH
In honor of my VDHA colleagues
Sheila Sheats
Julie Simms
In honor of my dad, Jim Forsberg,
In memory of my mom, Cynthia Forsberg
In memory of Ted & Vicki Simms
Greater Richmond Dental Hygienists' Component
Monticello Dental Hygienists' Component
Tidewater Dental Hygienists' Component

DONOR CLUB

Julie Allen
Karen D. Avey
In honor of Sheila Sheats and Jackie Perry
Melanie Bartlam
Many thanks to Sheila Sheats for all your years of dedication to
VDHA CE
Dr. Patricia Bonwell
Emilie Bonovitch
In honor of VCU Dental Hygiene Students
Stacia Brooks
Deborah Buckley
In honor of Pat Golliday
Maria Camacho-Bell

Betsy Di Silvio
In memory of Judy Walsh
Linda Gill
Evelyn D. Grant, RDH, MBA
Desiree Harrington
Catherine Johnson
Antoinette Kahan
Deirdre Kane
Judith Knight
Joyce Kwiatkowski-Spieler
Elaine Loftin
Patricia MacDougall
Mimi Magyar
In honor of Emilie Bonovitch,
VDHA President
Sheryl Manion
Julie A. Martin, BSDH, RDH
In honor of Jackie Perry
Margaret Martin
In memory of Robert F. Jackson, DDS
Kimberly May
Maureen McCann
In memory of my dad, Martin McCann, always on my side :)
Carolyn Moore
John & Sheri Moore
In honor of Jamie Davila
Elizabeth Peebles
Jackie Perry
Susan Reid-Carr, BS, RDH
Rhea Rossi
Pat Shand
In memory of Daniel Gallagher
Janis Slezak
Kathy Cunningham Starr
In memory of Patricia Golliday, RDH
Kathleen Stewart
Moe Thompson
In honor of Woodrow Grayson Schmidt
Christina Tulloch
Deanne Watson
Jennifer Zimmerman
Peninsula Dental Hygienists' Component
In honor of Julie Martin's 3 year term as PDHC Chair
Southwest Dental Hygienists' Component
Northwest Dental Hygienists' Component

All contributions enable VDHA Foundation to continue to make a significant difference in the lives of many. Thank you to all who have contributed this past year to continue the work of the Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association Foundation. Your tax-exempt donation will be utilized in performing the charitable, educational, research and scientific activities of the association. If you would like to make a donation, please send it to: Marge Green, VDHA Foundation Treasurer, 1919 Old York Hampton Highway, Yorktown, VA 23692-4143

VDHA Foundation continued

It's Hygienic: Pleasantly Practical Board Review

By Taryn Carter

On March 16, 2019, nearly 90 second year Virginian dental hygiene students gathered at VCU to compete in the 3rd annual It's Hygienic Competition. Some drove hours to participate in this NBDHE event, a travelling National Board Dental Hygiene Exam review program that doubles as a game show. Over the course of a day, teams of students took turns quickly buzzing in to correctly answer hundreds of practice questions, carefully curated by founders Maura Ordovensky, RDH and Bianca Harris, RDH, MS. Through their company Board Games, the two aim to provide an opportunity for students to support each other, gain confidence and have fun while studying.

Teams of 3-6 students are chosen by local participating dental hygiene programs to compete in the game. The event is offered free to all students and faculty, thanks to funding from corporate and association sponsors. The VDHA Foundation provided funding for meals for students, faculty and VDHA representatives.

In addition to the no-cost board review, one student ends the day with a \$400 scholarship based on need and their passion for the profession. This year's winner was Maria Salazar Avila from Danville. Maria's team, Walking Calculus took second in the VA games, coming behind NOVAcaine from NVCC and just ahead of last year's winner Virginia Western Community College's Tooth Sleuths. Board Games ramps up for its 4th season in March 2020.



VDHA President Emilie Bonovitch surrounded by student teams from VCU (blue and yellow), ODU (orange and white), NVCC (red), Danville (Black), Germanna (green), TNCC (purple), and VWCC (teal)

VDHA Foundation continued

Thanks to a generous contribution from the VDHA Foundation (VDHAF), two recent Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Dental Hygiene Program graduates, Christian Waterman, BSDH, RDH and Vi Tran, BSDH, RDH were able to attend the American Association of Public Health Dentistry's (AAPHD) 20th Annual National Oral Health Conference. These recent graduates represented their groups and presented their award-winning community service project posters. The community dental health projects completed by these students and their classmate group members were nominated by their faculty for AAPHD Student Merit Awards and received both second and third place awards. As their nominating faculty, it was an honor to be present at the event to support the students and their award-winning community service efforts. Christian, Vi, and myself are all very thankful for the wonderful support shown by the VDHA Foundation that enabled these two to attend such a memorable event.

Dr. Patricia B. Bonwell, RDH, BSDH, MSG, PhD



Vi Tran, BSDH, RDH, Christian Waterman, BSDH, RDH
and Dr. Patricia B. Bonwell, RDH, BSDH, MSG, PhD

Read more about Christian's & Vi's Abstracts in the "Additional News" Section (pages 26 - 28)

Student Chapter News

Germanna Community College of Northern Virginia Community College

The 2019 Dental Hygiene class of Germanna Community College is gleefully preparing for graduation. We are exceedingly proud to report a 100% passing rate for the Patient Treatment Clinical Examination, as well as the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination.

Our class recently had the opportunity to attend *It's Hygienic* in Richmond, Virginia. This was a wonderful, interactive board review, and marks the first year that the Germanna cohort has presented its own team.

We would like to acknowledge some of our star students who recently received recognition for their excellence throughout their time in our program. Tonya Mortensen, who acted as the ADHA District III, Student Delegate has received the VDHA Annual Student Award. Savannah Thomas was recognized with the Colgate Star Award, as well as recognition for maintaining the highest GPA. Mikayla Pritchett was honored with the Golden Scaler for her outstanding clinical performance.

As our time here is coming to a close, we would like to thank our instructors Mrs. Mesimer, Dr. Ayers, Mrs. Murray, and Mrs. Hedgepeth, for their kind support and diligence in leading us to greatness. The end of this journey is bittersweet, but we look forward to the future with confidence as a result of your dedication to our education.

Carolyn Kellison, Dental Hygiene Student



Lord Fairfax Community College of Virginia Western Community College

The Virginia Dental Hygiene Association Scientific Session was in full swing on March 22-24, 2019 at the Westfields Marriott in Dulles, Virginia. Ryan Maphis, Pam Boyer, and Megan Cobb students from the Lord Fairfax Community College Dental Hygiene Program had the opportunity to attend Scientific Session. Everyone had a great time attending the courses, talking to the dental reps, and networking with hygienists at the conference. In their monthly SADHA meeting the students gave a report on the conference and encouraged their classmates to attend VDHA Spring Scientific Session next year.



Northern Virginia Community College



Team “NOVAcaine” had a blast participating in this year’s It’s Hygienic board review game hosted at VCU, and took home the title of 1st place.

First year students enjoyed a professional development presentation.



The Class of 2019’s time in hygiene school is quickly coming to an end. Senior year students are looking forward to graduation and their future careers as Registered Dental Hygienists.

Good luck, Class of 2019!

Submitted by Carmen Corbett, Class of 2019

Old Dominion University

Dear Colleagues,

Happy Spring and greetings from the Old Dominion University (ODU) School of Dental Hygiene (SODH)! The students and faculty at the ODU SODH have been very busy as the end of Spring Semester nears. The Senior Class of 2019 are currently finishing up their clinic requirements providing quality dental hygiene care to their patients within the Dental Hygiene Care Facility. Several students have completed their National Board Examination and they are also searching for board patients for the upcoming clinical examination! The Junior Class of 2020 are finishing their first semester of clinical patients within the care facility! What an exciting semester is has been.



Above: Junior Class of 2020 participating in a continuing education event with Waterpik.



Above: Outgoing Senior SADHA Officers being recognized at the 2019 SODH Awards

The ODU SODH faculty and students recently celebrated the accomplishments of the Senior Class of 2019 with an awards ceremony. Several students were honored for their skills in academia, clinical care and service. Current and upcoming SADHA officers were also recognized for their service to the profession and SODH.

In addition, Seniors also presented their research poster presentations from their Community Six Week Projects! Finally, several Seniors will also be participating in the RAM (Remote Area Medical) event on May 4th, to provide free dental hygiene care to those in need! We congratulate the ODU SODH graduating Seniors on their accomplishments!

Respectfully submitted,
Emily Ludwig, BSDH, MS, RDH
Visiting Lecturer and SADHA Advisor

Ann M. Bruhn, BSDH, MS, RDH
Associate Professor and Interim Chair

Thomas Nelson Community College



The Class of 2019 participated in Give Kids a Smile on February 8, 2019 at the Thomas Nelson Community College dental hygiene care facility.

On March 11th, 2019, Jessica Thacker, Desiree Turner, and Danielle Wood participated in the Early Head Start Fair provided by Child Development Resources in Williamsburg, Va. They were able to provide oral hygiene education to children and their parents.



The seniors are finished with the national board exam and state clinical board exams and are screaming to get out! We wish them well in their future endeavors.



Thomas Nelson Community College (TNCC) Dental Hygiene Class of 2019 Update Submitted by Erika L. Serrano for Class of 2019

It is with great pride to announce that the seven soon to be graduates of the Thomas Nelson Community College Dental Hygiene program have completed and passed their national and clinical boards, and with superb scores! The class average has scored more than two points above the national standard deviation on the NBDHE. The class is so grateful for the support of the community, especially the Peninsula Dental Hygienists' Component, in enriching our education. Our goals were achievable with the opportunities presented by the Olde Towne and Lackey dental clinics, continuing education courses made available through VDHA and PDHC, and the commitment of the faculty and staff at TNCC. The Pinning and Awards Ceremony will be held at the Mary T. Christian Auditorium at the Hampton Campus from 6:00-8:00 on May 7, 2019. We thank the VDHA Foundation for the gift of our cloisonné RDH pins. We look forward to seeing our new colleagues at the event to celebrate our successes, and even more so to join you in this profession where together we will continue to network and accomplish great feats for our patients and the dental hygiene profession.

Virginia Commonwealth University



SCADHA students have been busy this semester! They began the semester with a trip to Rally Day in January to meet our legislators!

Many VCU dental hygiene students attended the Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association Scientific Session in March. Junior students created wreaths and auctioned them off as a fundraiser. Many thanks to the hygienists who supported this effort. All proceeds go to students attending ADHA in Louisville in June 2019!



In April, the Greater Richmond component of the Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association honored the senior dental hygiene students at Virginia Commonwealth University with a reception and a gift of personalized nametags!

This semester, we were so fortunate to have several excellent guest speakers at our SCADHA meetings to inspire and engage:

Sandra Reen, Executive Director, Virginia Board of Dentistry
Cal Whitehead, Lobbyist for Virginia Dental Hygienists' Association
Dawn Dean, ADHA Trustee for District III

Congratulations to SCADHA's newly elected officers from the class of 2020!

President: Helena Nefferdorf
Vice President: Cassandra Cooper
Secretary/Treasurer: Clement Augustus
Community Chair: Regina Dixon with Gabby
Fundraising Chair: Lauren Jenkins with Taylor Rue, Rachel Lett, Kendall Connerley
Historian: Emily Liebe

Virginia Western Community College

Virginia Western Community College/Danville Community College Joint Venture Dental Hygiene Program will graduate twenty-seven future professionals in May 2019.

Second year VWCC Dental Hygiene Students collaborated with the Roanoke Refugee Partnership, Virginia Department of Health, Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, VWCC Nursing, and Arara Language Solutions to provide an oral health clinic for local refugee families. This event was planned and driven by the dental hygiene students and exemplified an excellent example of interprofessional education.



First Year VWCC Dental Hygiene Students from Virginia Western created a colorful table for the campus Spring Fling to recruit patients and spread the word about preventive services offered at the campus clinic. They were recognized as one of the best Themed Table's at the event.



Wytheville Community College's graduating class of 2019



Front (L-R): Mikayla Castle, Grace Staton, Haley Hawks, Cheyenne Manning, Dakota Galla.

Middle (L-R): Shannon Downs, Cheyenne Calderon, Kara Lucsko, Hannah Radford, Paige Sutphin, Diania Palomino.

Back (L-R): Raychel Santangelo, Mary Jo DeLaHunt, Haley Ratliff, Kailey Weaver, Brittany Arwood.

Congratulations from the faculty and staff! Best wishes in your hygiene careers!

Additional News



<https://www.mcisemi.com/adha2019/>

2019 House of Delegates and Professional Development Workshop

October 25-27



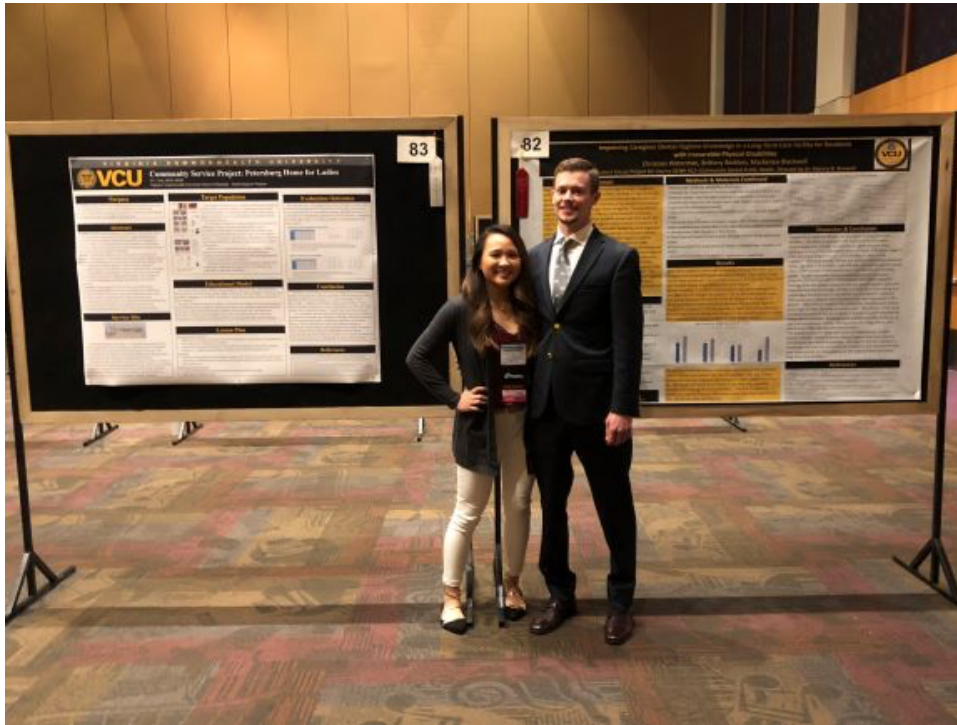
DoubleTree by Hilton
Richmond Midlothian

1021 Koger Center Blvd, Richmond, VA 23235



Save the date! Learn more at vdha.net

American Association of Public Health Dentistry's 20th Annual National Oral Health Conference
AAPHD Student Merit Awards attendance supported by the VDHA Foundation



2018 VCU Graduates presenting at the National Oral Health Conference

Dr. Patricia B. Bonwell, RDH, BSDH, MSG, PhD

Vi Tran, BSDH, RDH

Christian Waterman, BSDH, RDH

Vi: One day at work, I received an unexpected email from Dr. Patricia Bonwell asking to submit my group and I's community health project for submission for a national award from the American Association of Public Health Dentistry. My group members were Alexandra Manson and Erin Lewis. I did not fully understand what receiving the award entailed, but I went ahead and created an abstract for submission. A couple of months later I received an email from the AAPHD congratulating me on receiving the third-place prize for the Dental Hygiene Student Merit Award. In that email, they notified me I had the chance to present at the poster session at the National Oral Health Conference in Memphis, TN. Thanks to the AAPHD, the VDHA Foundation, and Sigma Phi Alpha, Christian and I were able to travel to Memphis and present our research projects. Being a recent graduate, it was inspiring to see the shared passions of the conference attendees. Going through the dental hygiene program, I knew I would end up in the public health field, whether that be earning my MPH or providing service globally. Attending the conference, I learned about the many fields, concentrations and positions of public health dentistry. I met many influencers including dentists, hygienists, physicians, exhibitors and different people in the public health field. The experience truly motivated me to continue being open-minded about my dental hygiene future and explore public health dentistry further.

Christian: I graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University's dental hygiene program in 2018 and am a registered dental hygienist practicing at Virginia Family Dentistry on Staples Mill. Mid-April, my former classmate Vi Tran and I were able to attend the 2019 National Oral Health Conference (NOHC) in Memphis, Tennessee with the help of the generous contributions of the Virginia Dental Hygiene Association Foundation (VDHAF), Sigma Phi Alpha, and the American Association of Public Health Dentistry (AAPHD). I was awarded the 2nd place AAPHD Student Merit Award for my research paper and abstract submitted based on research

**AAPHD Student Merit Awards attendance supported by the VDHA Foundation
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conducted for a Community Dental Health Course Practicum Project during my senior year at VCU's dental hygiene program. My fellow group members were Brittany Badders, RDH and Mackenzie Blackwell, RDH. The main objective of the research is to improve dental hygiene knowledge amongst Certified Nursing Assistants at long-term care facilities. I am grateful for our previous Community Dental Health professor, Dr. Patricia Bonwell who encouraged us to submit our research and even attended the conference to support us. It was an honor to attend the conference and present the research to an array of public health professionals including; dental hygienists, dentists, physicians, coordinators, therapists, etc. The professionals in the public health sector at the NOHC were passionate about their work and quite inspiring. During our down time at the NOHC, we ventured to see the famous Beale Street and enjoy some local music and Memphis BBQ.

Abstracts:

Community Service Project at the Petersburg Home for Ladies

Vi Tran, BSDH; Alexandra Manson, BSDH; Erin Lewis, BSDH

Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry – Dental Hygiene Program

Problem: Oral hygiene education is essential in improving overall health as the population ages and people are living longer.

Purpose: The purpose of this community health project was to provide a lesson plan and oral health education to the elderly population and their care providers.

Methods: Multiple search engines were utilized to find current sources on the association of aging and oral health. A target population was determined and oral hygiene and health education was organized to educate residents of an assisted living home and their care providers. Relevant articles were incorporated to find an education model, create a lesson plan, and write a report of findings.

Results: Articles and websites were reviewed for relevance to the purpose of the project. It was determined the community health project to be held at the Petersburg Home for Ladies in Petersburg, Virginia. The target population included geriatric women who are capable of independent living, whom need minimal to considerable aid, and ladies with varying degrees of Alzheimer's disease. Pre-visit and post-visit questionnaires were used to demonstrate residents' and caretaker's process of understanding oral health care relating to the elderly population.

Conclusion: Using a paired t-test to review the results of the questionnaires, the difference was not considered to be statistically significant ($P > 0.05$). However, comparing plotted data, there was a profound increase in understanding of topics discussed and accomplishment of the objectives. The questionnaires demonstrated the continuous need for education to the geriatric population and collaboration between dental and other health care professionals.

Keywords: The Google Scholar, PubMed database, CINAHL Complete search engines were utilized to find current articles and websites to support the project. Keywords used in the search engines include Petersburg Home for Ladies; Health Belief Model Theory; oral health AND Alzheimer's disease; oral health AND elderly patients; geriatric oral health. Relevant articles were incorporated to carry out the project and to write a final report.

Improving Caregiver Dental Hygiene Knowledge in a Long-Term Care Facility for Residents with Irreversible Physical Disabilities

Christian Waterman, BSDH; Brittany Badders, BSDH; Mackenzie Blackwell, BSDH

Student Group Project for Course DENH 412–Community Dental Public Health, Directed by Dr. Patricia B. Bonwell

AAPHD Student Merit Awards attendance supported by the VDHA Foundation
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Abstract: Research shows that dental hygiene knowledge amongst caregivers, primarily certified nursing assistants (CNAs), working in long-term care facilities is not sufficient enough to provide adequate dental care and education to residents. The main objective of this project is to improve dental hygiene knowledge amongst these caregivers. During external rotations at the Virginia Home, Virginia Commonwealth University, School of Dentistry dental hygiene students recognized, first-hand, the need for improvement of dental hygiene care provided to residents by CNAs. The Virginia Home is a long-term care facility for adult Virginians with irreversible physical disabilities. As part of a Community Dental Health Course Practicum Project, three senior dental hygiene students provided two in-person dental hygiene education sessions to CNAs employed at the facility. Pre- and post-tests were administered and results were compared. Focusing on evaluating the dental knowledge of CNAs at the Virginia Home prior to and after dental hygiene education was provided, results support the effectiveness of in-person dental hygiene education sessions in increasing dental knowledge among CNAs. The findings infer an improvement of dental hygiene care provided. This project revealed that dental hygiene education improved dental hygiene knowledge amongst CNAs. Follow-up studies will reveal the effectiveness of these dental hygiene education sessions in improving the overall oral health of long-term care facility residents.

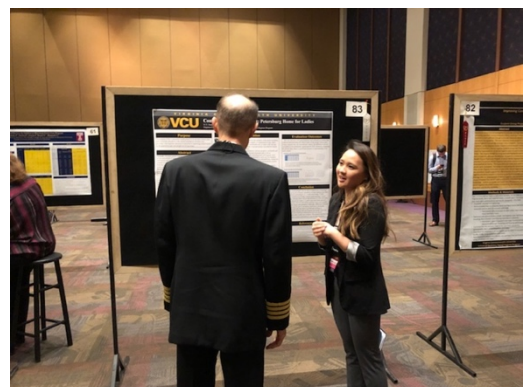
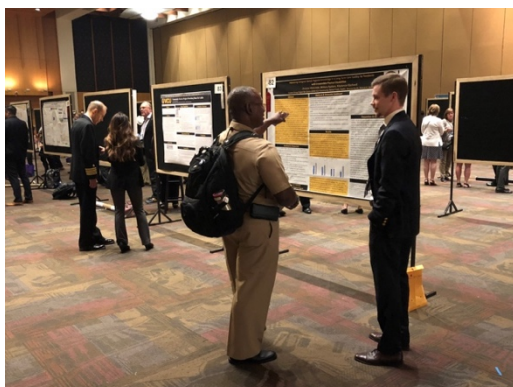
Keywords: Dental knowledge, education sessions, long-term care facility, Virginia Home, CNAs, residents, oral health, dental care, pre-test, post-test



Christian and Vi receiving awards from current president of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry, Michelle McQuistan, DDS, MS. Also pictured with VCU faculty, Dr. Patricia B. Bonwell, RDH, BSDH, MSG, PhD.



Christian and Vi meeting current president of the ADHA, Michele Braerman, RDH, BSDH.



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VDHA 2018-2019 Calendar

Spring Scientific Session

2020 March 26-29 Richmond, VA

HOD and Professional Development Workshop

2019 October 24-27 DoubleTree by Hilton Richmond, VA

Executive Board Meetings

2019 July 27 9am-3pm Charlottesville, VA

2019 October 27 8am-12pm Richmond, VA

2020 January 25 9am-1pm ZOOM

2020 April 18 9am-1pm ZOOM

2020 July 25 9am-3pm Charlottesville, VA

Ignite VDHA Leadership Workshop

November 16, 2019 Charlottesville, VA

Quarterly Reports Deadline (two weeks prior to E.B. Meetings)

2019 July 13

2019 October 13 (if something to report, otherwise year end reports will take its place on Aug. 24, 2019)

2020 January 11

2020 April 4

2020 July 11

HOD Reports/Year End Reports

2020 August 22

Awards Nominations

2020 July 18

Curet Deadline (two weeks following Executive Board Meetings)

2019 April 27

2019 August 10

2019 November 10

2020 February 8

2020 May 2

Council Meetings: Council meetings should take place online and reports sent two weeks prior to the executive board meetings.

VDHA Foundation

2020 January 24 6-9pm Zoom

2020 April 17 6-9pm Zoom

2020 July 24 6-9pm Charlottesville, VA

ADHA Center for Lifelong Learning & Annual Session:

2020 June 12-16 New Orleans, LA

ADHA District III Meetings

ADHA D3 Trustee-Delegation Chairs only 7-9pm ZOOM online

ADHA D3 Trustee Delegation Chairs only 7-9pm ZOOM online

ADHA D3 Delegates Orientation 2-4pm ZOOM online

ADHA District III Meetings (continued)

ADHA D3 Reference Committee A 4-6pm ZOOM online

ADHA D3 Reference Committee B 7-9pm ZOOM online

ADHA D3 Reference Committee C 7:30-9:30pm ZOOM online

ADHA Executive Board Meetings:

ADHA Fall Board of Trustee Meeting In Person

ADHA Winter Board of Trustee Meeting ZOOM online

ADHA May Board of Trustee Meeting ZOOM online

ADHA Annual Conference BOT Meeting ZOOM online

VOHC Summit

2019 November 7 Richmond, VA

Unleashing Your Potential Weekend

2019 November Chicago, IL

Virginia Board of Dentistry-Regular Board Meetings:

2019 March 15 9am Richmond, VA

2019 June 21 9am Richmond, VA

2019 September 13 9am Richmond, VA

2019 December 13 9am Richmond, VA

2018-2019 MOM Project Weekends- VDAF.org for details

2019 Special Olympics MOM Project: June 8, 2019

2019 Wise MOM Project: July 12-13, 2019

2019 Martinsville MOM Project: November 2, 2019

Homeless Connect mini-MOM: November 2019 (Date TBD)

Northern Virginia MOM Project: No project planned for 2019

Grundy MOM Project: No project planned for 2019

VDA Annual Session

2019 September 15-17 Richmond Marriott, Richmond, VA

2020 September 23-26 The Main, Norfolk, VA

ADA & ADEA Annual Session

ADA 2019 September 4-9 San Francisco, CA

ADA 2020 October 15-19 Orlando, FL

ADEA 2019 March 16-19 Chicago, IL

ADEA 2020 March 14-17 Baltimore, MD

International Federation of Dental Hygienists

2019 August 13-17 Brisbane, Australia

RDH Under One Roof

2019 July 31-August 2 Grapevine, TX

2020 July 15-18 Aurora, CO

Our Mission

Lead the transformation of the dental hygiene profession to improve the public's oral and overall health and advance the science and practice of dental hygiene.

Our Vision

Dental hygienists are integrated into the healthcare delivery system as essential primary care providers to expand access to oral health care

Thank you to all who contributed information for this issue of the Curet.

Deadline for submission for the Summer Curet is August 10, 2019.

You may send submissions to moethompson@gmail.com Contributions are requested to be no more than 1 page in length, including photos and sent as an attachment in word doc, 12 pt Times New Roman font.

