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CalHyPAC Newsletter

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Dear California Dental Hygienists,

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CALIFORNIA



Save the Date: CDHA's Annual Legislative Day is March 26, 2019!! Mark your calendars so you can Make a Difference!!!

WHAT IS CalHyPAC?

CalHyPAC is the Political Action Committee created by the California Dental Hygienists'

Association.

CalHyPAC is a voluntary, non-partisan, political advocacy committee.

CalHyPAC is an essential part of CDHA's government relations program

CalHyPAC supports legislators who share the interest, concerns and goals of the dental hygiene profession.

Quick Links...

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CDHA AND GRC HARD AT WORK FOR HYGIENISTS!!!

Dental Hygiene Committee of California

- **As of January 1, 2019 - A FORMAL NAME CHANGE TO THE DENTAL HYGIENE BOARD OF CALIFORNIA.**
- **Regulatory authority extended until January 1, 2023!!!!**
- **The next DHCC meeting is coming up: November 16-17 in Fresno. The agenda includes potential 2019 legislation, as well as proposed regulations for mobile dental hygiene practice, interim therapeutic restorations and retired licenses.**

Labor Laws and Employee Rights

- **The Labor Commissioner as well as the National Labor Relations Board provide free speakers to groups. ([CLICK HERE](#))**

Dental Board of California

DHCC

Join Our Mailing List!

CalHyPAC Committee

Heidi Coggan
Frannie Driscoll
Debbie Phillips
Blanca Pareto
Mary Delehanty
Ellen Standley
Trish Thomas
Angela Gomez
Sara Coppola

- August 23 and 24th, 2018 - DBC meeting, Burlingame
- RDAEF2 request for Local Anesthesia/Nitrous Oxide Administration scope - author promoted this as an access to care, and patient comfort issue. This was followed up by public testimony in opposition which included DHCC (Lum), CDHA (Okamoto), Vice President CDHEA (McDonald), USC Faculty Representative (Brookman), Taft DH Program Director (Kimbrough), as well as written testimonies from Dr. Malamad (Dentist Anesthesiologist and USC professor), West LA and Santa Rosa's DH programs, and CDHA.
- RDA Practical Examination suspended until further notice.

Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)

- CDHA continues to advocate for the inclusion of CDHA and dental hygienist advisors to DHCS.

WHAT'S HAPPENING NATIONALLY

2018 Standard Occupational Classification of Dental Hygienist:

The US Office of Management and Budget has updated the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) and reclassified dental hygienists as



Healthcare Diagnosing or Treating Practitioners. Previously dental hygienists were classified as healthcare technologists or technicians. Data collected by the SOC is widely used by the public, interested stakeholders, and public policy makers, including the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Department of Labor.

Committee of Dental Accreditation (CODA)

Standards to DH Education Programs:

Standard to DH Education Programs - update and clarification of the term DH Diagnosis and to define DH Process of Care. This amends Dental Hygiene Diagnosis as "the identification, of an individual's health behaviors, attitudes, and oral healthcare needs for which a Dental Hygienists is educationally qualified and licensed to provide."

Adopted at Summer 2018 held August 2, 2018, with implementation July 1, 2019 per "unofficial report of major actions."

For more information go to ADA.org

Recent Legislation



**AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019, DENTAL
HYGIENE BOARD OF CALIFORNIA**

BECOMES OFFICIAL!

Governor Brown signed SB-1482, which officially changed the Dental Hygiene Committee of California

(DHCC) to the Dental Hygiene Board of California (DHBC).

To read more about any bills, go to leginfo.legislature.ca.gov

The 2018 California Legislative year ended on August 31. Now is a good time to visit your legislator in his/her local office, introduce yourself as an RDH or RDHAP serving in his/her constituent and indicate your desire to help with healthcare issues, access, etc. Talking points available in the Members Section of CDHA.org.

CalHyPAC MEMBER SPOTLIGHT-ELLEN STANDLEY

Ellen is currently celebrating over 50 years in dental hygiene. She has worked in private practice and education. Most of her career was spent as a dental hygiene educator at Sacramento City College, a job from which she is currently retired.

Her career started after graduating in 1964 from the University of California Dental Hygiene Program with a Bachelor of Science degree. Following 8 years of private practice, she returned to school. In 1975, she earned a Master of Arts degree in Education from the University of San Francisco, and in 1979, a Master of Arts degree in Community Health from California State University in Sacramento.

Ellen has been an active member of CDHA and Sacramento Valley Dental Hygienists' Association since her graduation from hygiene school. She is a past president of CDHA, and currently serves on CalHyPAC, the CDHA Journal Advisory Board, and CDHA Membership Council.

Ellen believes in the importance of CalHyPAC and has been a strong supporter for many years. She first served on the PAC from 1988-1991. In 2013 she returned as a Director on

CalHyPAC. Ellen feels that CalHyPAC is a pivotal part of CDHA's advocacy efforts to ensure that California consumers receive optimal dental hygiene care.



ADVOCACY

Advocacy is an important component in any organization and for its members to make legislators aware of their positions on policy issues. As a licensed profession governed by state practice acts and rules, dental hygiene is directly impacted by many policy issues that shape day-to-day dental hygiene practice and the delivery of oral health care services.

Issues requiring advocacy in California are: scope of practice, access to care, continuing

education and reimbursement under Dent-Cal. Your involvement as a dental hygiene professional is critical to the success of any advocacy effort! Below are CalHyPAC members working hard for our members.

Read about the power of CDHA advocacy.[CLICK HERE](#)



Standing left to right: Directors: Trish Thomas, Ellen Standley, Treasurer:Debbie Phillips, VP: Frannie Driscoll, Director: Blanca Pareto. Sitting:Chair: Heidi Coggan (not present: Mary Delehanty, Sara Coppola, Angela Gomez)

2018 CalHyPAC Annual Meeting

CDHA'S LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY FIRM IS ONE OF THE LARGEST IN CALIFORNIA

The California Dental Hygienists' Association has retained the legislative advocacy firm of [Aaron Read and Associates](#) since 1984 to help us work with legislative leaders, state agencies, the Dental Hygiene Committee of California (DHCC) and other associations.



Aaron Read,
legislative advocate

Together we promote state policies encouraging increased availability of oral health care, to improve laws and regulations that protect the public's oral health and enhance the practice of dental hygiene. CDHA's executive officers, the Government Relations Council (GRC) and the CalHyPAC committee work closely with legislative advocates Mr. Aaron Read, Mr. Terry McHale, and Ms. Jennifer Tannehill

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE !

Want to help CDHA be successful in having a strong voice in Sacramento about the issues we care about?

You can donate money to CalHyPAC
We welcome donations from
members, friends, potential members,
and non-members.

You can write letters to your legislators about legislation affecting dental hygiene.

JOIN YOUR PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION. Legislative victories are made possible through the involvement of members like yourself and CDHA's multifaceted public policy initiatives. You are essential to the success of CDHA'S legislative and political advocacy.

WANT TO DONATE?

Send checks payable to CalHyPAC
c/o

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Fair Political Practice Act requires that you include your name, address, occupation and name of employer on your check. Your contributions are not deductible for state or federal income tax purposes.

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