

Pomona Valley Dental Assistants Society

Your Latest News & Updates

Greetings!

The year is passing so quickly - the summer is upon us! With that comes the graduation of many from dental assisting programs, so I'd like to welcome each of you into the profession. We are here for you and want to do what we can to make your transition into your career as easy as possible. Did you know there is Professional Liability available to you through your membership! Check it out here along with the new discount program from Working Advantage.

As we prepare to choose our leaders for the coming year, I hope you'll consider joining our team! Active participation allows for both personal and professional growth. It also provides the opportunity to network with colleagues, receive continuing education and volunteer in the community. Many hands make light work and you can make a difference! Watch for the election ballots in the coming weeks.

I appreciate what each of you do for the dental community and am grateful that you are part of the community here at PVDAS. Being able to support one another is a wonderful thing!

Warmly, Claudia Pohl, CDA, RDA President

Welcome to these New Professional Members!

Gia Martinez

Sarrah McHenry Lisa Queen Jennifer Riddle

PVDAS Director's Report

May 2025

CDAA's Annual Conference was held last month in Costa Mesa. This joint event with CADAT offered 13 CE over 2 days and was a great meeting. Lecture courses, hands-on workshops, roundtable discussions made the learning easy!

The Annual Member's meeting provided a great update on the past year as well as where CDAA is heading now that CDAA is independent of ADAA. They have added Professional Liability as a new member benefit as well as a discount card. Check it all out in the **Members Resources on the website.**

CDAA Officers for the coming year are:

President: Christy Burton

1st Vice-President: Linda Willyerd

2nd Vice-President: Wendy Pio Secretary: Kelly Thomas

CDAA's next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Saturday, August 9, 2025 via zoom from 8a - 12p. All are welcome - just let me know and I'll send you the info!

CDAA has added two new benefits for its members (and is working on more!).

- Professional liability is available to student members for \$20/year and professional members for \$90/year. To read more about it and/or to enroll, go to Member Resources on the CDAA website.
- Discount program through Working Advantage provides a wide variety of discounts to members at no cost. This includes theme parks, hotels, rental cars, concerts, sports, live events, electronics, apparel, gift cards, movie tickets and much more. To enroll, go to Member Resources on the CDAA website.

Are you due to renew (or overdue)??Be sure to do so before your membership lapses! If you have not yet updated your account in the new member portal, do so here and follow the instructions.

If you encounter any issues or have questions, please feel free to reach out to CDAA at admin@cdaaweb.org

Legislative Update - April 2025

Shari Becker, CDA, RDA, FADAA, AS CDAA Government Relations Chair

The legislative forecast is calling for continued activity throughout 2025. The latest item on our radar is AB 873. This bill is authored by Assemblymen Allanis, sponsored by CDA, and involves the infection control course requirements for the unlicensed dental assistant. A portion of this bill would address the timing for the unlicensed dental assistant to take the 8 hour infection control course and delay the timing for the course to be taken to possibly30 to 90 days after hire. Discussion and meetings have been held regarding this newly presented bill. The Alliance has met with our lobbyist, Cody Boyles, to discuss options and possible compromises regarding this new bill. At this time, AB 873 is in suspense as talks continue to find a compromise on the initial language presented in the bill.

There will be a Dental Assisting Council and Dental Board Meeting May 14-15, 2025 in Anaheim. This will be a robust meeting to further discuss the implementation of SB 1453, the new applications for the pathways to RDA that will come out July 1st, the infection control regulation and courses, not to mention other legislative issues around RDA programs, course approvals and re-evaluations.

Your input and participation is requested. Due the meeting being held in Anaheim, virtual participation will not be available. However, you can submit comments, concerns and support statements via email prior to the meeting at https://www.dbc.ca.gov/about_us/contact_us.shtml. It is important that your voices be heard!

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Please visit the Dental Board website at www.dbc.ca.gov for more

information. Meeting information, agenda, location and board materials can be found here https://www.dbc.ca.gov/about_us/meetings/index.shtml

Upcoming Dental Board meeting dates: August 14-15 , 2025 Sacramento

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