



Accent on Assisting

Calendar of Events

Oral Health Professions Scientific Session	September 9 - 11, 2010
SDAA Annual General Meeting—Saskatoon	September 11
CDA Awards Event	September 11
SDAA Fall P.D. Event— Saskatoon	November 6

The SDAA Wage Survey is open on our website for the months of June and July. Please go on the website and complete the survey. The results are available immediately.

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What about Infection Control?

What about infection control? Do our daily routines meet the standards of current science or the expectation of the public? Can dental staff members without formal training perform an adequate job of infection control? Do dental aides need formal training in infection control?

We know that the dental supply companies are putting great efforts into infection control updates. We are also aware that Ontario has published new guidelines and that new regulations are being developed in Alberta. British Columbia is working on new policy and you may ask "what is Saskatchewan doing?". Great question!

The "Infection Prevention and Control in the Dental Office..." document published by the Canadian Dental Association was initially compiled in 1999 and updated in 2006. It is our understanding that this document will not be revised as infection control is now considered to be a provincial, regulatory issue.

The SDAA is calling for a working group comprised of the Saskatchewan Oral Health Professions to consider an appropriate plan for Saskatchewan.

Mentoring - Making a Difference!

Sixty new members from the SIAST Dental Assistant Program, and a few new registrants from other jurisdictions will join the Saskatchewan dental assisting ranks later this month. With shortages of dental assistants being experienced throughout the province, every practising dental assistant should take the time to consider how each of us personally can contribute to the retention of these new dental assistants. Often our co-workers are the element that makes our employment enjoyable, or a trial to face each day! Every one of us has an opportunity and a responsibility to be a positive influence for our co-workers. A new graduate has acquired a great deal of information through their formal education however, it is through the daily practical application of the knowledge that it truly becomes learned. Please be a mentor!

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The 2010 AGM of the Saskatchewan Dental Assistants' Association

will be held on

Saturday, September 11, 2010

Lunch/AGM from 11:30am to 1:30pm.

TCU PLACE - SASKATOON SK (35 - 22 Street)

Annual Reports will be distributed approximately August 1, 2010

CDAA President's Dinner

The Canadian Dental Assistants' Association provides services to all dental assistants in Canada by virtue of our provincial licensure/membership. Their Annual President's Dinner and Awards Evening will be held in Saskatoon at TCU Place on Saturday, September 11. Please consider attending this opportunity to meet the dental assistants from across Canada who serve our profession through the CDAA Board of Directors.

A Silent Auction will also take place to raise funds for the Penny Waite Fund which directs grants to dental assisting research.

Scientific Session 2010

The brochure for the 2010 Scientific Session is enclosed. This year the event focus is on "Brushing Up On Dentistry". The variety of speakers should bring each of us up to speed on our various areas of practice or interest.

Display Certificate of Registration

The SDAA Regulatory Bylaws "Standards of Practice" requires that all registered dental assistants MUST display their "Certificate of Registration" in their place of employment. This demonstrates to the public that the dental assistant is registered and qualified to perform dental assisting intra oral procedures.

Professional Development Report

Your current professional development report is included in this mailing. Kindly review it to ensure that all of your courses to date are listed. If you have courses that are un-reported, kindly submit them to the SDAA office at your earliest convenience. Preferably credits would be submitted immediately following a course.

Job Board

Visit the SDAA website to track new job opportunities

www.sdaa.sk.ca

Click "Career" and select a board of your choice

Positions on SDAA Council

On September 11, 2010, Jo-Ann Chatterson will become the President of SDAA. The position of president elect will be filled at the annual general meeting. A nomination form is included for your use. Nominations can also be made at the AGM.

Stacey Chaisson of Moose Jaw has recently been appointed to fill the vacant directorship on Council.

Watch for information of future openings. SDAA is always looking for dental assistants that have the time to devote to the future direction of regulation and our profession.

Registrations/Licences

Abraham, Nicole (2/25/2010) - Practising
 Aiken, Jody (2/1/2010) - Practising
 Anisa, Nadia (4/20/2010) - Temp Restricted
 Boyle, Bona Jean (4/6/2010) - Practising
 Derksen, Sharon (2/2/2010) - NP
 Dyer, Dawn (3/16/2010) - NP
 Feraro, Eldon (3/23/2010) - Temp Restricted
 Folden, Lindsay (3/5/2010) - Practising
 Forbes, Kendahl (3/24/2010) - Practising
 Foster, Elizabeth (3/29/2010) - Temp Restricted
 Graham, Erica (3/8/2010) - Practising
 Jollimore, Jolena (4/6/2010) - Practising
 Lywak, Andrea (3/8/2010) - Temporary Restricted
 McDougall, Twyla (2/25/2010) - NP
 Olson, Kalee (3/29/2010) - Practising
 Peters, Lara (2/2/2010) - Practising
 Silvernagle, Stacey (3/23/2010) - Practising
 Stewart, Courtney (4/22/2010) - Practising
 Ukil, Nupur (3/15/2010) - Temp Restricted
 Van Bergen, Rebecca (3/9/2010) - Practising
 Wanner, Terry (2/4/2010) - NP
 Winsor, Tina (3/1/2010) - NP

Status Changes

Drysdale, Brogan (4/1/2010) - Upgrade to PCT
 Downing, Christine (3/1/2010) - Upgrade to PCT
 Moore, Krista (5/31/2010) - Upgrade to PCT
 Rempel, Bobbi Jo (5/19/2010) - Upgrade to PCT
 Rosenberg, Amanda (5/30/2010) - Upgrade to PCT
 Simpart, Erin (3/16/2010) - Upgrade to PCT