



North Carolina
Dental Hygienists' Association

Our 42nd Annual House of Delegates, Fall Scientific and Student Meeting was on September 15-16, 2017 at the Durham Convention Center. Congratulations to the 2017-2018 Executive Board Members and newly elected trustees.

Meet your 2017-2018 Executive Board Members



(L-R): Rachel Stewart (ADHA Delegate), Jennifer Harmon (Immediate Past President), Susan Buchenburger (Speaker of the House/ADHA Delegate), Beth Kornegay (Treasurer), Jackie Smith (Secretary), Heather Edly (Vice President), Sommer Wisher (President-Elect) and Crystal Adams (President).

Crystal Adams: Catawba Valley Community College, DH Program Director (Foothills Component)

Sommer Wisher: Durham-Orange Component

Jennifer Harmon: UNC-CH Clinical Assistant Professor (Durham-Orange Component)

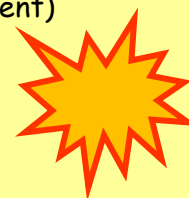
Heather Edly: Foothills Component

Beth Kornegay: UNC-CH Clinical Assistant Professor (Greater Fayetteville Component)

Jackie Smith: Durham-Orange Component

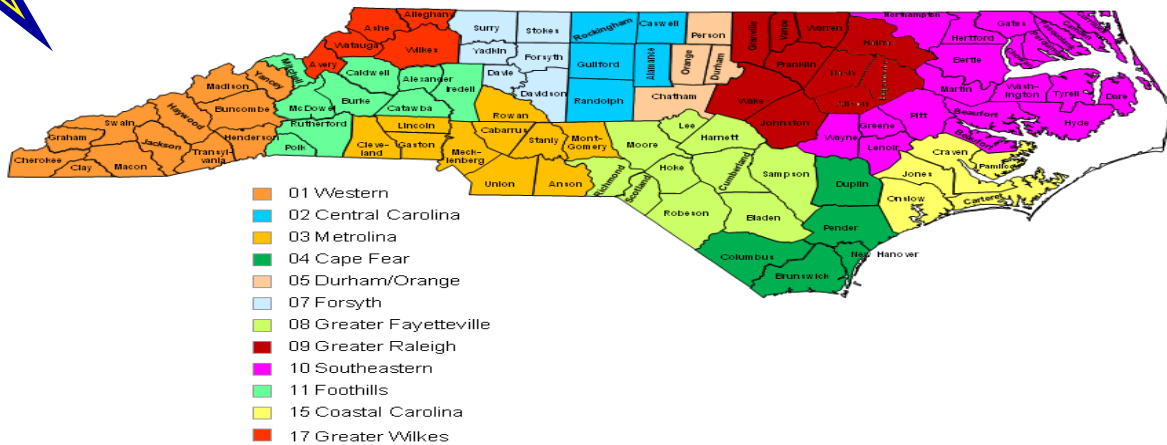
Susan Buchenburger: UNC-CH Adjunct Instructor (Greater Raleigh Component)

Rachel Stewart: Coastal Carolina Component



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NC Dental Hygiene Association Components



2017-2018 Board of Trustees



(L-R): Melissa McClain (Foothills), Kelly Cook (Forsyth), Jalisa Isler (Southeastern), Becky Sanford (Cape Fear), Brittany Booth (Central Carolina) and Whitney Simonian (Greater Raleigh). **NOT PICTURED:** Elizabeth Fairbanks (Coastal Carolina), Drew Hendrick (Durham-Orange), Michelle Ping (Greater Fayetteville), Martha Townes (Greater Wilkes), Kristy Wieder (Metrolina) and Jana Conner (Western).

GET INVOLVED! Attend great CE courses, participate in community service projects and be a part of a **GREAT** professional network! Contact your trustee to learn about all activities within your component! Visit our website, click meetings and component meetings for contact information and more details.

Board Information Update

The North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners held discussions regarding proposed rule changes to board rules 21NCAC 16G and 16H, which discuss delegable and non-delegable functions for dental hygienists and dental assistants, at their November meeting. In short, the proposed rule changes would make application of Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) a non-delegable function for dental hygienists. After much discussion and numerous written and verbal testimonies submitted at the public hearing in September, the board voted to change the current language of the proposed rule changes and **ALLOW** dental hygienists to apply SDF with proper training! It is our understanding, the new proposed rule changes allowing dental hygienists to apply SDF has been republished with a new public hearing. During the public hearing, individuals can provide verbal and written testimonies in support of or in opposition of these proposed changes. All verbal and written testimonies that were provide at the September hearing remain public record. The public hearing is January 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the board office in Cary, NC. Following the public hearing, the proposed rule changes will be sent to the Rules Review Commission (RRC) in the state legislature for final approval and passage. We will disseminate more information as it becomes available via e-mail, our website and our Facebook page.



THANK YOU FOR TAKING AN ACTIVE ROLE IN SUPPORTING YOUR PROFESSION!



RENEW YOUR LICENSE
 Online license renewal period is now open! The renewal period is available from November 1st to March 31st each year. **Renew your license before January 31st to avoid late fees!!**



NC Board of Dental Examiners 2018 Meeting Schedule	
January 19-20	July 13-14
February 16-17	August 10-11
March 9-10	September 7-8
April 13-14	October 12-13
May 16-17	November 9-10
June 8-9	December 7-8





ADHA Weighs in on License Portability with the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

ADHA submitted comments to the FTC, in response to its recent roundtable, "Streamlining Licensing Across State Lines: Initiatives to Enhance Occupational License Portability." As noted in the letter, "ADHA regularly hears from frustrated dental hygienists about license portability restrictions that impede qualified dental hygienists from practicing their profession when they move to a new state or seek to provide dental hygiene services across state lines." Further, the letter states, "ADHA also appreciates that the dental hygiene profession and the dental therapist profession are among the occupations listed on the Economic Liberty website, which enumerates occupations on which the FTC has commented with respect to licensing issues."



ADHA has a substantial library of online continuing education from webinars to self-study classes with new content added monthly. Next webinar is Wednesday, January 17, 2018: "CDT 2018 Update for Dental Hygienists" @ 8pm. **Free for members, \$25 for non-members**

As part of ADHA's work to advocate for an oral health benefit for Medicare beneficiaries, ADHA joined several dental advocacy networks, including the American Dental Association, Oral Health America, Children's Dental Health Group and Henry Schein, in submitting comments to Congressman Pat Tiberi's (OH) Medicare Red Tape Relief effort. The Medicare Red Tape Relief Project seeks to deliver relief to providers with respect to regulations that "impede innovation, drive up costs, and ultimately stand in the way of delivering better care for Medicare beneficiaries".



2018 Awards Program

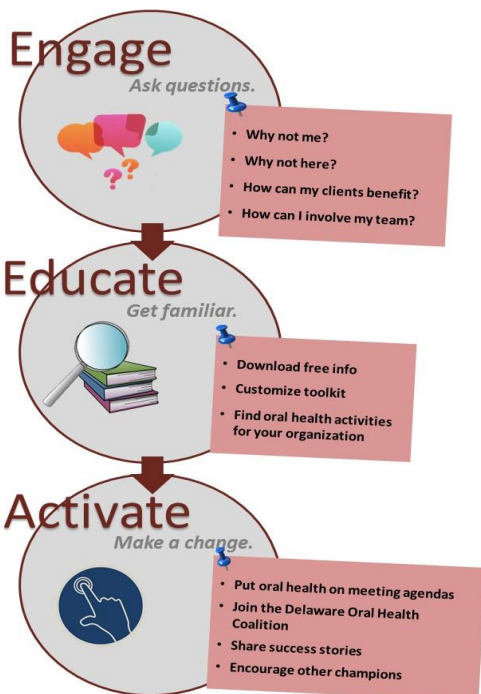
Looking for an opportunity that will provide financial assistance to attend ADHA's 95th Annual Session in Columbus, OH and highlights your dedication to the dental hygiene profession? Apply for an ADHA award or nominate someone today! **Deadline for all awards (except the Student Member Community Service Award) is February 2, 2018. Deadline for the Student Member Community Service Award is March 2, 2018. Recipients will be selected in March/April 2018.** Visit <http://www.adha.org/awards-program> to apply, nominate and for complete details of individual awards criteria.



Become An Oral Health Champion

By joining ADHA, you become a part of an organization committed to helping you invest in your future! Being a member also allows you to take advantage of the up-to-date information ADHA shares about emerging technologies, published insights on professional and educational opportunities, timely alerts on

legislative developments, and a calendar of events you can use to network with your peers. Also as a member, you can also receive discounts on professional and personal services nationwide. **Become a champion of oral health** today and take the next step forward in connecting with your community and your career. Visit <http://www.adha.org/why-join> to learn about the wide variety of options to pay membership dues, including quarterly payment plan!



MEMBERSHIP

Upcoming

EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE! Join ADHA and your fellow dental hygienists in Columbus, OH at the Hyatt Regency Columbus and Hilton Columbus Downtown, on June 20-25, 2018 for a weekend full of learning, discovering, celebrating and shaping the future of dental hygiene! Also, take advantage of over 100 exhibitors showcasing the latest and greatest advances in dental hygiene and oral healthcare! Early bird registration opens Wednesday, January 17, 2018! Visit www.adha.org/annual-conference for complete details and registration information!



95TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
JUNE 20-23, 2018 CONFERENCE
JUNE 23-25, 2018 BUSINESS MEETINGS
COLUMBUS, OH
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Coming together to highlight the importance of oral health for ALL North Carolinians!

Join the NC Oral Health Collaborative for their winter meeting on Friday, January 19, 2018 at the Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden, 215 South Main Street, Kernersville, NC 27284. Visit www.oralhealthnc.org for complete details, registration information and to learn more about the NC Oral Health Collaborative.

Local Component Meetings

Many local components offer monthly continuing education meetings. Contact your trustee for more details or visit our website, click meetings and component meetings for a schedule of meetings.





106th Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting

EXPERIENCE
Hinman

MARCH 22-24, 2018
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

INVEST IN YOUR FUTURE

Visit <https://hinman.org> for registration, hotel accommodations and complete event details.

NORTH CAROLINA 162nd ANNUAL SESSION
DENTAL SOCIETY Dare to be Different

May 17-20, 2018

Visit www.ncdsannualsession.com for complete details and registration information.



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August 1-3, 2018

Gaylord National Resort
& Convention Center
National Harbor, MD

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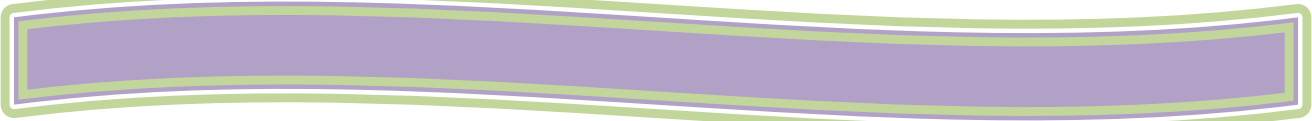
An affiliated program of the
North Carolina Dental Society

Join dental hygienists, dental assistants, dentists, lab technicians and community volunteers at free dental clinics throughout North Carolina. Visit www.ncdental.org and click on the NCMOM tab to learn more. The 2018 clinic dates are in the planning process. Stay tuned!



We at NCDHA are committed to offering cutting-edge continuing education opportunities with hands on experience while networking with your colleagues from across North Carolina. Therefore, we are excited to announce that we will have our first annual session, beginning Fall 2018. We are

still in the planning stages, so stay tuned via our Facebook page, website and e-mail correspondence for further details.



NCDHA is committed to connecting, informing and educating all dental hygienists in North Carolina about things that effect our profession, as well as events throughout our state that promote our profession. We encourage you to visit our website at www.ncdha.org and our Facebook page for the latest information. We encourage you to share upcoming events, such as meetings and community service

projects happening within your component! Please send all correspondence including events, questions or suggestions to brigann12@gmail.com .



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NCDHA Board of Trustees Meetings

- January 27, 2018 (Teleconference) 10:00 am
- March 31, 2018 (Central Carolina Community College) 10:00 am
- May 28, 2018 (Teleconference) 10:00 am
- August 25, 2018 (Henry Schein Office, Raleigh, NC) 10:00 am

We encourage you to communicate with your component trustee with any questions or concerns regarding NCDHA as well as any member of the executive board! Also, we welcome you to join us at any BOT meeting!

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