

Island View

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a black and gold patterned dress and a lei of red and yellow flowers, is reaching up to touch a large pink hibiscus flower. She is smiling. In the background, other people are visible, and a large window shows a view of the ocean and a sunset sky. The entire image is framed by large, vibrant pink hibiscus flowers.

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What's Up? SBVCDS Events

Day/Date	Event/Speaker	Fee
Aug 8	CE Event: 7 CE units Dr. Steven Sadowsky, Black Bear Diner, Ventura.....	\$185
Aug 22	Member Benefit Day: IC/ DPA & CPR All In One Day, Black Bear Diner, Ventura	\$75
Aug 22	CPR Renewal: SBVCDS Office	\$60
Sep 12	Annual Golf Social	TBD
Sep 16	CPR Renewal: SBVCDS Office	\$60
Oct 21	CPR Renewal: SBVCDS Office	\$60

***We also offer monthly Radiology Safety
Certification courses – Call for details***

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

David Tajima, DDS
President 2025, SBVCDS



As we progress into the summer season, I hope that you, our Santa Barbara Ventura County dentists, are enjoying the amazing sunny weather.

This past May, CDA Presents 2025 was a success, with over 5,000 dentists attending. Many of our member from the Santa Barbara Ventura County component were present, learning new techniques and valuable CE courses in person. In addition, there were a handful of incredible volunteers from our region helping to run the courses and exhibition halls. Although our component may be smaller compared to others throughout California, it was great to see many familiar faces during the week.

Summer is a great time to review your office technology and cybersecurity protocols. With Windows 10 ending mainstream support and no longer receiving security updates after October 14, 2025, if you are still using Windows 10, now is a great time to see how you can upgrade your systems. CDA has released a new Cybersecurity Toolkit to help prepare for, respond to, and recover from cyberattacks. As a CDA member, you can access this tool kit on CDA.org: Cybersecurity Toolkit.

In the C.E. scene, we have a wonderful course coming soon on August 8, 2025, with a well-known Prosthodontist, Dr. Steven Sadowsky. He will be discussing evidence-based treatment planning for the completely edentulous patient. This is a lecture you don't want to miss! Visit our website (sbvcds.org) or call our dental society to sign up.

Your participation and commitment are what make our society strong. We encourage you to continue engaging with us, whether by attending C.E. courses, volunteering, or simply connecting with peers. We are excited about what the rest of the year holds for our Santa Barbara and Ventura County dental community.

Wishing you all a productive and enjoyable summer season,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Tajima".

David Tajima, DDS
President 2025, SBVCDS

BOARD OF COMPONENT RELATIONS REPORT

July 2025



Lisa E. Beck-Uhl, DDS

Dear Colleagues,

My recent BCR meeting (Board of Component Representatives) was a virtual meeting in May. We spent a lot of time discussing some proposed resolutions for CDA's House of Delegates meeting which will be in November. As I discussed in my last letter, one job of the BCR is to serve as an advisory committee to the House of Delegates, to review upcoming resolutions and provide input to the authors of the resolutions. We have a great group of intelligent dentists, and we had some lively discussions.

As always, CDA has been working behind the scenes to help us members. CDA has been helping many dentists whose offices and homes burned down in the Palisades and Eaton Fires, and has also helped some staff members. TDIC insurance has been a huge support, and I am glad to have my liability, property, workers' comp and cybersecurity insurance through them.

CDA has also been continuing their work on dental insurance plan reform, which affects all of us. Our staff and volunteers are again taking action and sponsoring CA Senate Bill 386, which addresses the unfair use of virtual credit cards (VCCs). This is a perpetual problem at my office, wasting staff time calling insurers and having them mail us a check instead.

Feel free to reach out to me, even if just to say hello, and thanks for reading!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa". The script is cursive and fluid.

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ADA URGES FUNDING FOR FEDERAL AGENCIES

Association sends testimony to Senate subcommittee

The ADA and three other organizations submitted a testimony June 13 in support of federal programs aimed at expanding access to oral health care. These include the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Oral Health, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, the Health Resources and Services Administration Oral Health Training program, and the National Institutes of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

The statement for the record – which was also signed by the American Dental Education Association, American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, and American Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research – encouraged the Senate Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Subcommittee to preserve investments in oral health care as it considers funding for fiscal year 2026.

“We commend the Subcommittee for its steadfast commitment to advancing oral health; however, challenges persist and any reduction in funding would undermine our nation’s ability to defend against chronic disease and lead in the next generation of treatments for oral diseases and their broader systemic health implications,” the testimony said.

In the letter, the coalition expressed concern about the administration’s termination of CDC Division of Oral Health staff and proposals in the 2026 fiscal year budget to eliminate the division’s mission and budget. They requested that the 2026 budget for the Division of Oral Health be maintained at no less than \$20.25 million “to ensure the continuation of its mission and core functions.”

The coalition also requested that the chief dental officer position be retained within the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid

administrator’s office “and continue guiding oral health efforts across Medicare, Medicaid, [the Children’s Health Insurance Program] and the state exchange marketplace.”

The Health Resources and Services Administration oral health training program and chief dental officer position are essential to oral health care access, according to the letter. The Title VII general practice and pediatric dental programs are essential to expanding and distributing the dental workforce, while the chief dental officer plays a central role in guiding oral health programs and initiatives across the agency, the group said.

“We therefore urge the subcommittee to reject the proposed elimination of the Title VII oral health training cluster and to fund at no less than \$43,673,000 for [fiscal year] 2026 to preserve and strengthen the nation’s oral health workforce,” they said.

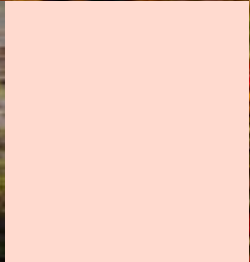
Additionally, the coalition urged the subcommittee to provide at least \$520.16 million for the National Institutes of Dental and Craniofacial Research “as a separate and unique institute,” amid proposals to consolidate the National Institutes of Health’s 27 institutes and centers. It also encouraged allocating \$51.3 billion for the National Institutes of Health’s base budget overall.

“Oral health is a critical component of overall health and well-being, and a healthy oral health system contributes significantly to the national economy – generating an estimated \$478 billion annually,” the coalition concluded. “We urge the Subcommittee to reject proposed funding cuts and instead prioritize strategic investments that sustain and advance the nation’s oral health infrastructure.”

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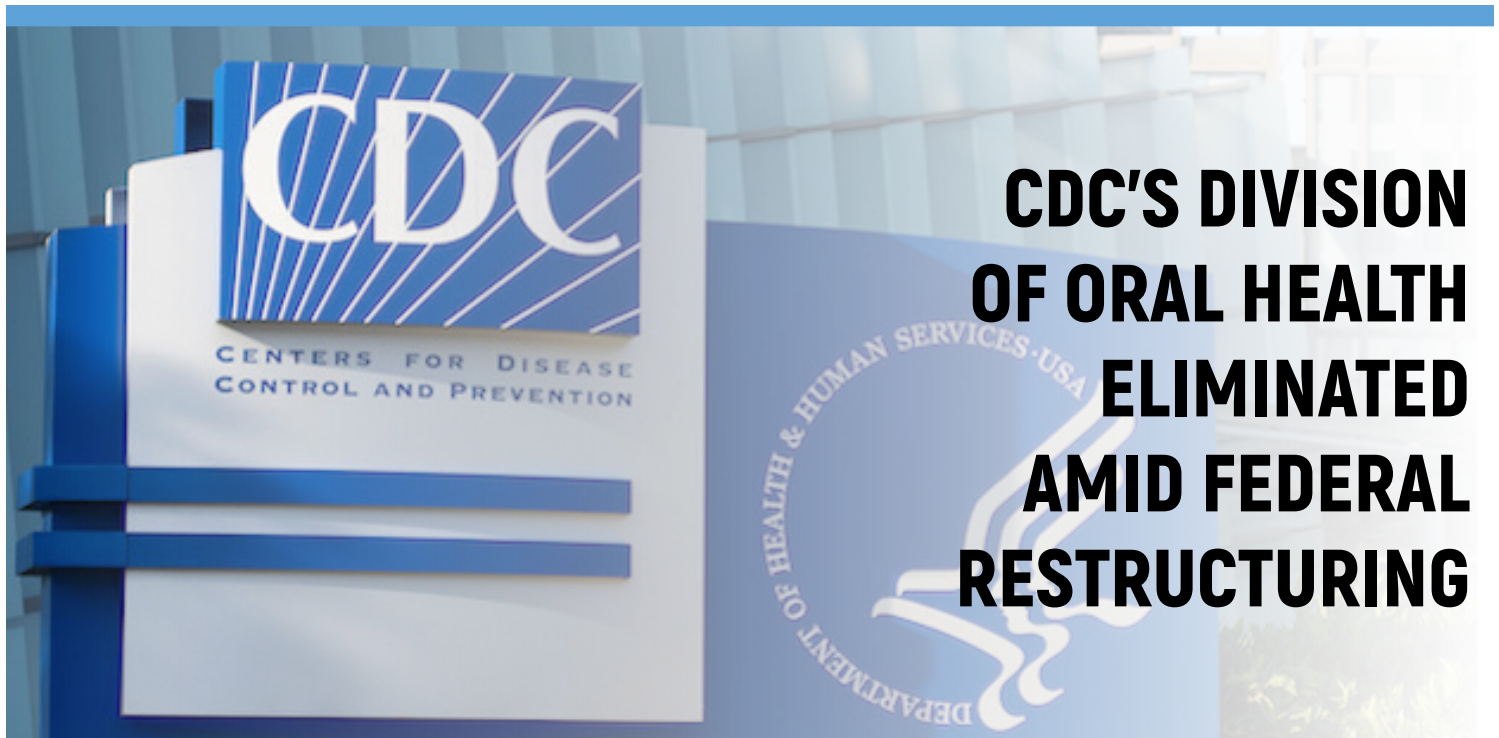


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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's entire Division of Oral Health was eliminated April 1, amid the Trump administration's efforts to majorly restructure federal health agencies.

This comes after the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced March 27 that 10,000 full-time employees would be laid off as part of the overhaul. The restructuring will result in a total downsizing from 82,000 to 62,000 full-time employees, according to the agency.

Major layoffs and reassignments have affected personnel across HHS subagencies, including the CDC, the National Institutes of Health, and the Food and Drug Administration. The Washington Post reported that many senior officials were placed on administrative leave or offered reassignments to remote locations under the Indian Health Service.

The CDC's Division of Oral Health has long provided leadership and evidence-based guidance on a range of critical public health issues, including infection control in dental practice settings, community water fluoridation and dental sealant programs targeted at preventing tooth decay in children.

In a statement, the ADA urged President Donald Trump and HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. to "immediately reverse these cuts and restore critical public health."

"Oral health must remain a national priority – valued, supported and promoted across all levels of the administration," reads the statement.

ADA President Brett Kessler, D.D.S., expressed disappointment in the oral health workforce reductions. "I see in my patients, when the mouth is ignored, the body suffers, inflammation increases and compromised people get sicker, and our collective quality of life plummets," Dr. Kessler said in the statement.

The move comes as Congress prepares to scrutinize the reorganization. Senate Health Committee Chairman Bill Cassidy, R-La., has invited Mr. Kennedy to testify at an April 10 hearing, where lawmakers are expected to raise concerns about the scale and legality of the restructuring.

The ADA said it will continue to monitor developments and assess the implications for dental public health programs, including those related to water fluoridation and oral disease prevention.

In Memoriam



Lyndon Lambeth of Santa Barbara, 1959-2025

Lyndon Lambeth (1959-2025) passed away at home April 27, 2025. He is survived by his wife of 44 years Diana; three adult children Lauren, Geoffrey and Bailey; a granddaughter Zoe; two older siblings Larry and Lora; and nieces and nephews who he adored.

Before he went to dental school, Lyndon spent several years working with his dad Lydell and spoke fondly of the time he got to spend working with him on a development project in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Lyndon graduated dental school in 1990 and worked in Phoenix, Arizona, and Ventura, California, before he began practicing dentistry in Santa Barbara in 1992.

He was known for his deep care for his patients and his passion for providing access to dental care

within his community. He was actively involved in his local Dental Society because he believed that was a way of creating and taking care of the community.

Lyndon's greatest loves were his children and granddaughter, and he had obsession with being on the water and was an avid boater. He often recalled his happiest childhood memory of sitting at the front of his dad's boat.

While in dental school, he began sailing a catamaran where he enjoyed many hours with his family and classmates. Over the years he could always be found at the helm of his boat ready to share his passion for the water with those he loved.

Countless weekends were spent in pursuit of dolphins or whales, and he was always up for the adventure of heading out onto the water.

He also loved road trips (as long as he could be the driver), especially if it took him to snow skiing or the ocean.

He had a humorous side that showed up in silly faces in photos and quick response to many situations with a silly song.

A celebration of life was held for Lyndon Lambeth, 5 p.m. Sunday, June 22 at Rincon State Beach.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Santa Barbara – Ventura County Dental Society Foundation at <https://sbvcds.org/project/drlambeth-memorial-fund/> or by calling 805-648-7282.



ADA MEMBER ADVANTAGE ANNOUNCES ENHANCED LANDS' END OUTFITTERS, UPS DISCOUNTS

Lands' End Outfitters, which has been endorsed by ADA Member Advantage as a recommended provider of logoed practice apparel for the dental team since 2005, has enhanced its discount for ADA members.

"We're really excited to announce that we are increasing the new everyday discount on Lands' End Outfitters merchandise and logo application from 10% to 20%," said Leslie McCoy, an account executive with Lands' End.

"Lands' End Outfitters has enjoyed a long relationship with ADA Member Advantage, and we truly love helping our ADA member customers outfit the dental team in a way that works for each individual practice. For some practices, that is a color pallet of logoed sweaters and shirts, and for others, that is a nice set of scrubs."

In addition to the enhanced member discount, Lands' End Outfitters has announced a partnership with the scrub brand Wink.

"We're offering a collection of versatile scrubs we believe that the dental team will love to wear, in breathable, moisture-wicking stretch fabric," Ms. McCoy said. "With a great fit for all body types, they'll provide the comfort the team needs to stay confident and focused on the job."

The Wink scrub line offers a variety of pant fits for dental team members, including joggers, flare yoga pants and pull-on cargos.

"We're pleased to offer these new enhancements to the Lands' End Outfitters endorsement for ADA members," said Tony Frankos, chief business product portfolio officer for ADA Member Advantage. "Lands' End has been endorsed by the ADA Member Advantage program for 20 years because they offer a quality product and their customer service standards prioritize going above and beyond to ensure our members are happy with their orders. They understand the demands of a busy dental practice and are always looking for new ways to meet the needs of our members."

For more information about the Lands' End endorsement, visit ada.landsend.com or call 1-800-490-6402.

Also new this year, UPS has enhanced its ADA member-exclusive shipping discounts in several categories. ADA members will now save 65% on domestic UPS Next Day Air, 42% on UPS Next Day Ground and 65% on international shipping. Members previously saved 50% on domestic UPS Next Day Air, 30% on UPS Next Day Ground and 50% on international shipping.

Members who are already enrolled in the program have been automatically updated to the new rates. Members with an existing UPS account who have yet to enroll in the program or are unsure if they are receiving the ADA member discount can call 1-800-636-2377 and mention the ADA or email the ADA's dedicated member benefits consultants at enroll@1800members.com. For more information, visit savewithups.com/ada.



ADA URGES DOJ TO ENFORCE HEALTH INSURANCE ANTITRUST REFORM

Association comments on competition in dental insurance market

The ADA is commenting on competition in the dental insurance market, applauding the Department of Justice's renewed focus on competition in health care and offering its perspective on how historically limited competition in dental insurance harms patients and dental professionals.

[In a May 21 letter](#), the Association outlined the factors contributing to this issue and recommended actions to promote fair competition and protect consumers. Specifically, the letter highlights:

- The role of the McCarran-Ferguson Act's antitrust exemption in shaping the dental insurance landscape.
- The Competitive Health Insurance Reform Act of 2020 and its implications for dental insurance.
- State laws and regulatory structures that may reinforce anticompetitive practices.
- The practical consequences for dental providers and patients of a market with few competitors.

"We write in a policy-focused, technical spirit, urging [the anticompetitive regulations] task force to take steps that ensure dental insurance markets serve the public interest, not just entrenched incumbents," ADA President Brett Kessler, D.D.S., and Interim Executive Director Elizabeth Shapiro, D.D.S., J.D., said in the letter.

The Association urged enforcement of the Competitive Health Insurance Reform Act to remove a longstanding impediment to competition and to address collusion and exclusionary conduct.

The law limits the antitrust exemption available to health and dental insurance companies under the McCarran-Ferguson Act, which exempted insurance companies from federal antitrust scrutiny for most insurance-related conduct. Signed into law in January 2021, the Competitive Health Insurance Reform Act makes federal antitrust laws fully applicable to the insurers' business conduct.

"In plain terms, as of 2021 dental insurers must 'play by the same rules' as companies in other industries. Price-fixing, bid-rigging, market allocation, and other collusive practices by dental insurers are no longer immune from federal scrutiny," Drs. Kessler and Shapiro wrote.

In the letter, the Association emphasized that although the Competitive Health Insurance Reform Act was enacted into law, it must also be followed by vigilant enforcement. The task force should treat its implementation as an opportunity to re-examine the dental insurance market and identify practices that now warrant intervention, according to the ADA.

The letter also outlined patient harms resulting from market concentration, including suppressed reimbursement rates, narrow networks and reduced access to care. It warned that consumers face limited plan options, higher out-of-pocket costs and fewer in-network providers, especially in states where one or two insurers dominate the market.

The ADA presented six detailed recommendations for Department of Justice action, including conducting a market study, issuing updated antitrust guidance, reviewing mergers and vertical integration, and supporting state reforms such as "any willing provider" protections and transparency requirements.

"With the passage of [the Competitive Health Insurance Reform Act], Congress and the administration have signaled that this status quo must change. The letter of the law has changed, but realizing its promise requires diligent follow-through," Drs. Kessler and Shapiro wrote. "We urge the [Department of Justice] to use all available tools from enforcement actions to advocacy for regulatory reform to promote competition in dental insurance."



Oxnard College Dental Hygiene students visit Westminster Free Clinic in Oxnard

We are excited to continue our volunteer efforts at the clinic, where our students gave a presentation to the patients about oral health and helped the patients one-on-one learn how to brush and floss properly. Through their commitment, our students gained valuable hands-on experience and contributed to improving oral healthcare awareness in our community. We look forward to continuing this collaboration and making a positive impact together.

Dear SBVCDS Members,

A new California law, SB 1061, preventing most health care debt from being shared with credit reporting agencies, officially went into effect on January 1, 2025. However, the requirement to include specific language in patient financial agreements takes effect July 1, 2025.

As a late addition to SB 1061, there is now required verbiage that must be included in patient financial agreements. Please refer to CDA's updated Financial Agreement and Consent Form and Credit Card Authorization Form, which include this language:

"A holder of this medical debt contract is prohibited by Section 1785.27 of the Civil Code from furnishing any information related to this debt to a consumer credit reporting agency. In addition to any other penalties allowed by law, if a person knowingly violates that section by furnishing information regarding this debt to a consumer credit reporting agency, the debt shall be void and unenforceable."

You can access the updated forms here:

- [Financial Agreement and Consent](#)
- [Form Credit Card Authorization Form](#)

We strongly encourage all practices to review and implement these materials before July 1 to ensure compliance.

If you should have any questions, please contact Matthew Nelson at Matthew.Nelson@cda.org

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6 CDT CODES YOU SHOULD KNOW

When it comes to CDT codes, many dentists tend to have the same questions: How is this different from other similar codes? Can I report this procedure on the same date of service as other procedures?

In an effort to help clear up these questions and explain new codes that may be unfamiliar to dentists, below are six codes dentists should know and details about how to use them.

D0150 comprehensive oral evaluation – new or established patient

The ADA frequently receives questions from members about this commonly used code, particularly about

how it differs from codes D0120 periodic oral evaluation and D0180 comprehensive periodontal evaluation. Code D0150 is used for new patients, established patients who have experienced a significant change in health conditions or established patients who have been absent from active treatment for three or more years. On the other hand, code D0120 is used for established patients returning to determine any changes in their dental and medical health status since a previous comprehensive or periodic evaluation, and code D0180 is used for new or established patients returning for treatment who show signs or symptoms of periodontal disease.

D2940 placement of interim direct restoration

The nomenclature for this code was revised in CDT 2025 from "protective restoration" to "placement of interim direct restoration." This revision is related to the deletion of code D2941 interim therapeutic restoration – primary dentition. These actions together were made to simplify the documentation and reporting of interim restorations. Based on its revised descriptor, code D2940 now serves as a single code to capture the placement of any restorative material as an interim direct restoration using any method as long as the delivering provider is acting within their scope of licensure.

D2956 removal of an indirect restoration on a natural tooth

Also new in 2025 is this code for a crown removal procedure. The code does not specify the method of or reason for removal, but it cannot be used for the removal of a temporary or provisional restoration.

D4355 full mouth debridement to enable a comprehensive periodontal evaluation and diagnosis on a subsequent visit This is another code that often elicits questions, specifically

about whether or not it can be reported on the same date of service as other procedure codes. For example, it can be reported on the same date as code D0120 periodic oral evaluation or code D0150 comprehensive oral evaluation, but it cannot be reported on the same date as D0180 comprehensive periodontal valuation. Also, because the purpose of code D4355 full mouth debridement is to enable the dentist to complete the comprehensive periodontal evaluation, it cannot be reported at a second visit after the evaluation was already completed at the initial visit.

D6089 accessing and retorquing loose implant screw – per screw and D6193 replacement of an implant screw

Code D6089 was new in CDT 2024, and code D6193 is new in CDT 2025. Here's an example of how to use them from the CDT 2025 Coding Companion: If a dentist is completing a D0120 periodic oral evaluation and finds an implant-supported crown is loose and the screw needs to be retorqued, that procedure would be coded separately from the periodic evaluation as code D6089. If the dentist determines the implant screw cannot be retorqued and instead needs to be replaced, the procedure code would be D6193.

Full entries for all CDT codes, including their nomenclatures and descriptors, are published annually. The 2025 update includes 24 total changes: 10 new codes, eight revisions, two deletions and four editorial changes. Staying updated with CDT codes from each version is crucial for dental practice efficiency, compliance and patient care.

CDT 2025: Current Dental Terminology and the CDT 2025 Coding Companion are available for purchase from the [ADA Store](#). The ADA website also offers [coding education guides](#) to help dentists understand coding scenarios. Any coding questions can be directed to dentalcode@ada.org or the ADA Member Service Center at 1-800-621-8900.



Dental Practice Act, Infection Control, and CPR Renewal

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2.0 CE Credits

Speaker: Chele
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Dental Practice Act

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In-person Skills Test

We will schedule the date and time for you or your group upon registration and payment. The skills test will be scheduled in 30 minute time slots from 6:30pm - 8:30pm on the dates below.

**2025
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- **August 22**
- **September 21**
- **October 21**
- **November 18**

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WHY CHOOSE US

Tooth decay is the most common chronic disease and unmet need of children in California. Nearly 25 percent of California's children have never been to a dentist. The Building Healthy Smiles Initiative works to eliminate dental disease in Ventura County.



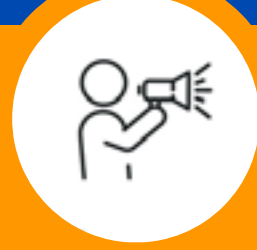
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9:00am - 4:00pm

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- Understand complete denture principles as the foundation of implant prosthetic planning
- Become familiar with clinician- and patient-related factors that determine design of implant prostheses
- Learn the benefit of various material choices for implant prostheses
- Understand a digital workflow for complete arch fixed implant prostheses
- Review the prosthetic maintenance of various implant designs



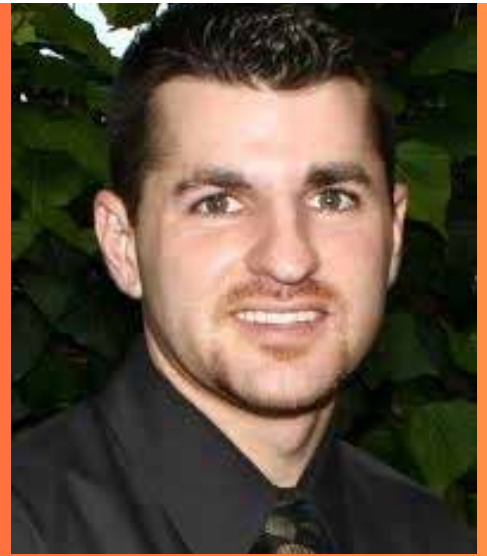
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Literature Relevant to Everyday Clinical Practice



Sat., November 8, 2025

with **Dr. Ryan Wallace**

12:00pm - 2:00pm (plus social time!)

Earn 2 CE Units

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About the Speaker:

Ryan C. Wallace DDS, FACP earned his bachelor's degree in biophysics from the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) and received his DDS from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) as a member of the dental honors society. Wallace has completed specialty training in advanced prosthodontics at the West Los Angeles VA Medical Center and maxillofacial prosthodontics at UCLA. Shortly thereafter, he successfully challenged the American Board of Prosthodontics.



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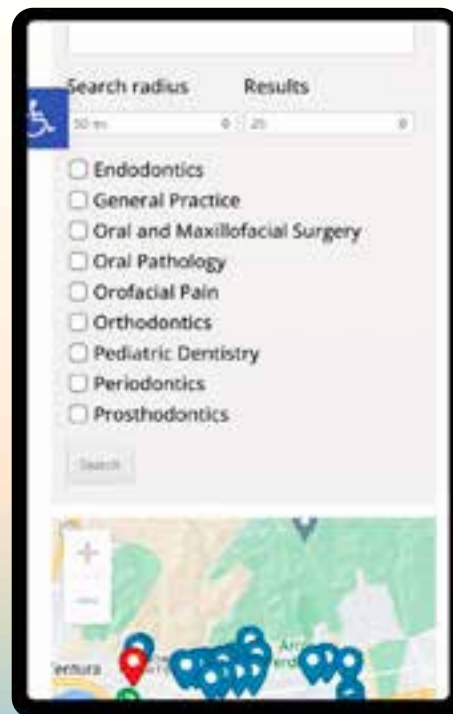
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