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Making Dental Mentoring Meaningful

By Ronald Garrett, D.D.S.

As we prepare for fall, it is time to reflect on how the summer went for the high school and college students who participated in the QCDS Summer Shadowing Program.

The pilot project had five students, two of whom were siblings, who were mentored by four dedicated dentists from July through August. I want to thank all of the student participants and doctors who helped QCDS fulfill its goal of introducing young people to dentistry. I also want to thank Oleg Rabinovich, our executive director, for his assistance with the program. We hope to expand the program next year with more college students who can benefit from the experience before they apply for dental school.

So far, I received a thoughtful email from Nafis Rahman, a college student who shadowed Dr. Jacob Orbach in his Fresh Meadows office. Rahman graduated from Stony Brook University and is still beginning a master’s program at Rutgers University.

Here is some of what Rahman said about his summer experience as a QCDS shadow: “I wanted to thank you and QCDS for allowing me to be a part of this program and matching me with Dr. Orbach. I can’t begin to tell you how much I’ve learned so far and how much I want to learn further. “I’ve come to appreciate what the daily life of a dentist can look like. I’ve had such a fun, informative time chairside with Dr. Orbach and observing such a wide variety of procedures and other dental-related work... I wanted to become a dentist for so long, and this summer has made me even more determined and committed to becoming one... I don’t think I’ve wanted anything more in my life. It would be an amazing story if I was able to experience the field through QCDS and in the future come back as a dentist and a full member.”

We hope to see Rahman again. There are so many young people that we want to reach. Next year QCDS will have a new president. However, I plan to still oversee the QCDS Summer Shadowing Program as part of my service to this great organization.
An ADA News Roundup
By Chad Gehani, D.D.S.

Following is a review of some of the major issues facing the ADA today—and you as a dental professional.

Dental Therapists and Government Affairs

The Pew Foundation recently expended considerable resources in North Dakota in an ultimately unsuccessful attempt to move its dental therapy proposal forward in the North Dakota State Legislature. In the meantime, therapists are few in numbers and practicing in only five states: Alaska, Minnesota, Washington, Oregon, and Maine. On the other hand, the number of community dental health coordinator (CDHC) programs continues to grow.

Members will soon receive an update from the ADA Washington office. The American Health Care Act is now before the Senate where, undoubtedly, it will undergo substantial debate and revisions.

We will work with the Senate to assure that issues of concern to dentistry are addressed. Work also continues on the McCarran-Ferguson Act (passed by Congress in April 2017), which we hope will be considered in the Senate in the coming months. National Institutes of Health funding has been preserved and even increased for the rest of this year.

CODA

The ADA/CODA relationship is very important. It is being reviewed by a joint work group, of which I am a member. CODA will host an informational session at the 2017 Annual Session, during which members will have the opportunity to ask questions about this relationship.

I also serve as the chair of the CODA Committee of International Accreditation. So far, only two inter-national dental programs have been judged eligible to undergo regular CODA evaluation since inception of this program. None of the international dental programs has been accredited.

Advisory Committee on Annual Sessions

Dr. Howard Lieb has been named chair of the ADA Committee, formerly Council, on Annual Sessions. ADA Headquarters

ADA headquarters in Chicago is almost fully leased—great news for our financial stability. Lurie Children’s Hospital, located next door, now leases five floors from the ADA. Lurie has asked for permission to build a walkway/bridge between the buildings at its expense. This is an exciting project, which should be completed in early 2018.

My Assignments:
• Delegate to the FDI World Dental Federation Delegation
• Diversity and Inclusion Committee
• Council on Dental Practice Liaisons
• Chairman of Dental Content Committee
• Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations
• Chairman of Joint Advisory Committee on International Accreditation
• Work group on ADA/CODA Relationship
Report Of The Nominating Committee

In accordance with QCDS Bylaws, the Committee met and considered all nominations that were received. The following Committee recommendations are made for 2018:

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In accordance with our Bylaws, any additional nominees for an elective office may only be made by written petition signed by twenty members in good standing and received by the Executive Director not later than ten days after the October 3rd general membership meeting at which the report of the Nominating Committee is presented. No additional nominations, including nominations from the floor, shall be accepted for elective offices to be filled by a vote of the General Membership unless otherwise specifically provided in these Bylaws. Voting shall take place at the November 7th General Membership meeting.
Dr. Queen Meets Politicos

Dr. Queen, with New York City Councilman Barry Grodenchik.

Dr. Queen attended a fundraising event for New York City Councilman Barry Grodenchik in August. Dr. Queen also had an opportunity to speak with Queens Borough President Melinda Katz, Assemblymember Nily Rozic, Councilwoman Karen Koslowitz, and former Queens Borough President Claire Shulman about QCDS and services the Society provides to the public.

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NYU College of Dentistry Honors Dr. Gehani

Dr. Chad Gehani was honored by the New York University College of Dentistry for his 35 years of teaching at the university this summer.

When accepting this honor, Dr. Gehani said that he has only done his duty by spending time with future dentists and preparing them to be good dentists. He said he considers dental school a temple of wisdom and learning and would like to continue teaching as long as he can because of his belief in lifelong learning.

Dr. Gehani has been working with various associations and organizations, both nationally and globally, to create strong bonds since he began his career in organized dentistry in the early 1980s.

During the past four decades he has made significant contributions to organized dentistry, oral health care, and dental education and has mentored and nurtured many individuals who are involved in leadership roles at various levels in organized dentistry.

He has received many awards, including the Ellis Island Medal of Honor in 2015, the Lifetime Achievement Award of The Indian Dental Association, at their annual Awards Ceremony held in Mumbai, India in 2016, the “Father of Diversity” award in the Dominican Republic in 2010; the Emil Lentschner Distinguished Service Award in 2013, and the New York State Dental Foundation Award of Excellence in Community Service in 2006.

Dr. Chad Gehani currently serves as an ADA trustee and is a past president of NYSDA, as well as QCDS.

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QCDS Dentists Volunteer Help for Queens Families in Need at Annual Free Clinic

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cluded Drs. Richard Yang, Kenneth Liao, Lim, Julie Chang, Spence Feng, Arelys Santana, Chen Yen Chiu, Samuel S Lin, Wenting Lin, Eric Huang, Raymond Huang, Yingxin Zhang, Alex Hung, Hemali Ajmera, Edward Chu, Cynthia Leung, Grace Lee, and Xue Zha.

These doctors saw over 100 patients and performed cleanings, fillings, and extractions for people who could not have afforded this care otherwise.


Anyone interested in volunteering for future dental events should call QCDS at 718-454-8344.
QCDS Members Receive Request to Assist Chief Medical Examiner with Unsolved Case

The Office of Chief Medical Examiner of the City of New York is seeking the help of New York Area dentists to assist in identifying the skeletal remains found March 16, 2010 near the old flushing Airport (28th Ave and Linden Place in Queens). Anthropologically, the remains are those of a 20 to 30-year-old European (white) male. It is believed that this individual likely died between 1990 and 1999 based on the personal effects found with the body and the skeletonized status of the remains on the date of discovery. The decedent had a surgically repaired (plates and screws) healed fracture of his left elbow (humerus).

The decedent had extensive dental work including fillings, root canals and crowns as per the charting below. In addition, the decedent had porcelain laminate veneers on teeth #5 through #13 (although teeth #8 and #9 were missing when the remains were found it is not unreasonable to imagine that both #8 and 9 had porcelain laminate veneers, as well). Most of the other missing anterior teeth were believed to have been lost postmortem (after death) also.

If you are familiar with the dental work or have any information please contact Angela Soler, ASoler@mcme.nyc.gov or Kenneth Aschheim (Kaschheim@mcme.nyc.gov)

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CE COURSES
Pre-registration is required for all CE Courses except General Membership Meetings. Call 718-454-8344 to register.

Thursday, Sept 28 6:00 p.m.

Infection Control 4 C.E. Credits

In the past this course has had an overwhelmingly positive response from clinicians and their staff who earnestly want to stay informed of the latest infection control recommendations, and does so through the eyes and thoughts of a speaker/clinician who understands the nature and demand of the everyday dental practice. Bring your entire staff and satisfy OSHA’s annual staff training requirements. Learn what’s new in infection control techniques and what is needed to comply with appropriate infection control guidelines. Course qualifies for relicensure.

Instructor: Safety Compliance Services

Tuition: ADA member/staff $90 Non-ADA member $260

A $15 late fee will be assigned to those who pay and/or register on the day of the event. A light dinner will be included. Pre-registration is required. Call 718-454-8344 to register. Class begins promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct 3 7:00 p.m.

General Membership Meeting 2 C.E. Credits

7:00 PM. – Modern Digital Marketing Tools

The lecture will be geared to all doctors and staff interested in growing their practices in this now rapidly changing digital age.
The following topics will be covered in the lecture:
• Why your practice needs social media to survive
• Let your patients promote you on social media
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• How to get 5-star reviews on Google search
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• Reputation Management: What if I get a bad review?
• Building trust and confidence
• How to harness the power of the internet!
• Recession proof your practice
• Using Facebook, Pinterest, Instagram, Twitter, Blogs and YouTube to enhance your credibility

Speaker: Dr. Leon Klemperer

8:00 PM. – Applications of Bone Cement in Guided Bone Regeneration

The lecture will cover a brief history of bone cement, its adaptation to dentistry and use of bone cement in various clinical situations that include socket grafting, ridge augmentation and use before and during implant surgery.
The use of bone cement in dentistry allows the clinician to predictably achieve bone. The unique application of bone cement is quick for the clinician, beneficial for the patient and brings additional value to the practice.

Speaker: Dr. Michael Katzap

Free admission to all members. Non-QCDS members by invitation only. Dinner included.

Friday, Oct 20 9:30 a.m.

Video Study Club: 2 C.E. Credits

Socket Preservation and Bone Grafting

A tooth extraction without socket grafting produces up to 60 percent shrinkage of bone as hard and soft tissues heal. In the “smile zone,” this defect causes a significant esthetic challenge. You

and your patients will appreciate the esthetic and functional advantages of socket grafting. There are many materials available for simple, fast, predictable grafting. When patients are educated about the desirability of socket grafting, most accept the procedure. Whether you are planning an implant when the socket heals or placing a pontic in the location of the healed socket, grafting is a proven and desirable procedure. Included in this presentation are the grafting materials, membranes, and step-by-step case procedures. Patients will appreciate having this procedure done, if you only tell them about it. Make socket grafting a routine part of your practice!

Speaker: Dr. Al A. Gulum

Tuition: QCDS Members Free Non-QCDS members (one time) $100 Non-QCDS members (VSC annual pass) $350

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Sunday, Oct 29 9:00 a.m.

CPR – Certification 4 C.E. Credits

Basic Cardiac Life Support Certification will cover 1 and 2 rescuer CPR, Heimlich maneuver, child CPR, and AED. The ability to recognize the signals of a heart attack and provide stabilization of the victim at the scene of a cardiac arrest is a priceless commodity. Life over death may someday become a reality to someone you know or care for. Be prepared to help save a life.

Instructor: Eric Zalewski, BLS Instructor

Tuition: ADA member/staff $105 Non-ADA member $260

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Monday, Nov 3 9:30 a.m.

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Dr. Fialkoff Study Club

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Sept 13 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

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Oct 11 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Topic: “Periodontal Disease and Cardiovascular Disease— Their Association, Importance of Treatment and Relevance In Terms of Promoting Your Practice”

Speaker: Dr. Bernard Fialkoff and David Agami

Location: 47-10 Bell Blvd., Bayside

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For the Tech Expo more than 70 people, including resi-
dents, program directors from neighboring hospital pro-
grams, new doctors, and QCDS members packed the Terrace
on the Park Catering Hall. Attendees mingled, enjoyed the
open bar, dined and had the opportunity to try-out and
“play” with technology from many different exhibitors. The
techno themed evening concluded with an electronic app-based
raffle of many different gift cards.

Dr. Hemali Ajmera, QCDS member and New Dentist
Committee Chair, coordinated both events. She worked hard
to organize the lectures, the exhibitors and the attendees for
two successful evenings. Throughout both days, Dr. Ajmera
stressed the importance of organized dentistry. The residents
were given a copy of NYSDA’s “Starting Out” booklet, a
guide for new dentists, and were invited to attend QCDS
general membership meetings. They were told of the benefits
of joining their local dental society and the importance of rep-
resentation at the state and federal level.

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Any unused amount at the end of a three month benefit period will carry over to the next three months; however, any unused amount at the end of the calendar year will expire. This plan is available to anyone who has both Medical Assistance from the State and Medicare. Premiums, co-pays, co-insurance and deductibles may vary based on the level of Extra Help you receive. Please contact the plan for further details. This information is not a complete description of benefits. Contact the plan for more information. Limitations, copayments, and restrictions may apply. Benefits, premiums and/or co-payments/co-insurance may change on January 1 of each year. Empire BlueCross BlueShield is a U.S. plan with a Medicare contract and a coordination of benefits agreement with the New York State Department of Health. Enrollment in Empire BlueCross BlueShield depends on contract renewal. Services provided by Empire HealthChoice HMO, Inc., licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, an association of independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans. ATTENTION: If you speak a language other than English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-866-287-3526 (TTY 711). ATENCION: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-866-287-3526 (TTY 711).

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