

SCRANTON DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY

October 2014

Continuing Education In Child Abuse Recognition And Reporting Requirements For Mandated Reporters

In response to the requirements of Act 31, PDA is offering a CE course in multiple locations across the state for both members and non-members and their professional dental staff.

PDA's program, Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting for Dental Professionals, is custom designed for members of the dental profession. The CE presentation provides training on

- your legal responsibilities as a mandated reporter under the Child Protective Services Law,

- recognizing child abuse indicators, including clinical and oral pathologies of abuse
- the reporting process: when, where and how to report suspected abuse,
- legal protections for reporters and penalties for failure to report.

PDA's program will fulfill the 2 hour training requirement for relicensure in March 2015.

The program will be offered in 12 different locations in Pennsylvania, including one in the Scranton area.

It will be Tuesday, November 25, 2014 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Radisson Lackawanna Hotel.

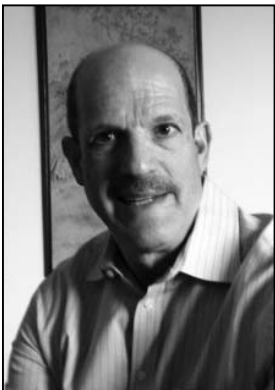
Check the PDA website at www.padental.org for details and online registration.

Please note that Act 31 applies to all health-related licensees, regardless of whether they are subject to the continuing education requirements of the applicable state board.

October Meeting

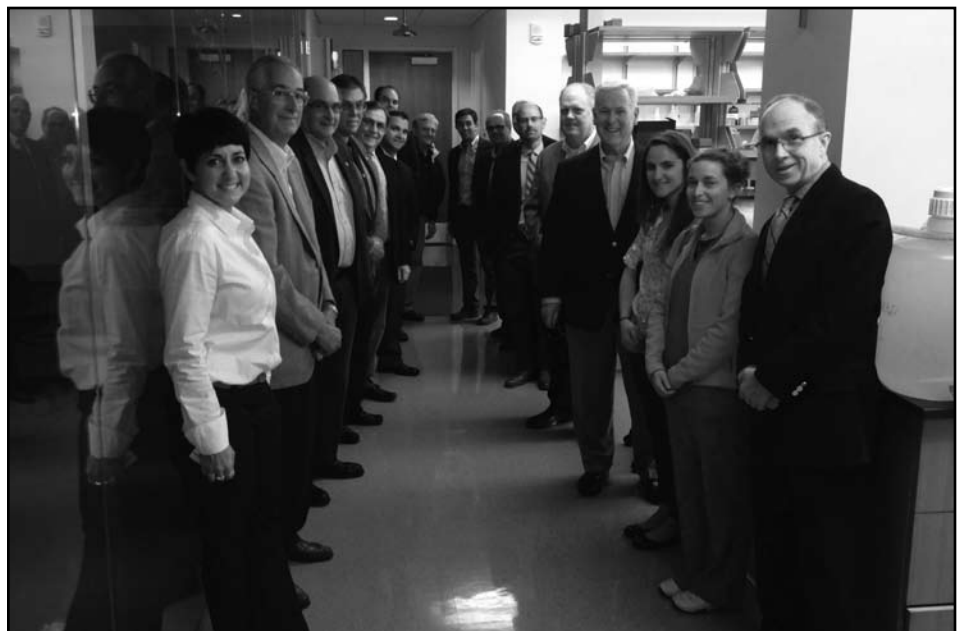
Join us for the October general meeting held at the University of Scranton's Brennan Hall at 6:30 PM on October 21st. Featured speaker will be Dr. Robert Kravitz, Director of Donated Dental Services. Please R.S.V.P to Dr. Justin Burns at (570)

346-7301
or mail to:
jburnsdmd@gmail.com.



*Dr. Robert Kravitz,
Director of
Donated
Dental Services*

Fall Meeting Featuring Tour a Success



Attendees enjoyed a tour of the Saccone Lab and heard from Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce President Robert Durkin

Third District Annual Meeting

Please plan on attending the Annual Meeting of the 3rd District of the PDA on November 7, 2014 at the Woodlands Inn & Resort. There will be business meeting reports, honored guest speakers for organized dentistry, award presentations, and a CE course entitled, "Dental Traumatology, Concussions, and other Sports Dentistry Topics."

Lunch will be served as usual. All PDA members are invited to the Board meeting at 7:00 AM in the adjacent room. For more information, go to the PDA website (www.pdadental.org; Social Network; menu Group-3rd district, go to library).

Presenter Andrew D. Gould, DMD will speak the following:

Sports Illustrated in 2014 printed that CONCUSSIONS are the most-widely-concerned topic of conversation in sports. No matter where you turn, or what sports page you read, you will see the word "Concussion". Parents are concerned about it. The athletes are concerned about them. And now, as a practicing dentist, there is new technology that proves that YOU should be concerned about the alarming increase of traumatic brain injuries. Learning how your private practice can incorporate concussion-prevention into daily practice will not only benefit your patient-athletes, but will also open a whole new rewarding side to dentistry.

QUICK FACTS:

Date: Friday - November 7, 2014

8:00 to 8:15 Registration

8:15 to 12:00 Presentation

12:00 to 1:00 Annual Meeting & Lunch

1:00 to 3:15 Presentation

Meeting Location:

Woodlands Inn & Resort

1070 Route 315

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18707

570-824-9831

Tuition: \$ 175.00 per Dentist

\$ 75.00 per staff member

\$ 300.00 per Non-ADA Dentist

Make checks Payable to:

Third District Dental Society

Mail Tuition Payment to:

Attn: Bob Albrecht

Muth & Mumma Dental Lab

1621 Sand Beach Road

Hummelstown, PA 17036

Radiology Update CE Course

By now you should have received the registration form for our upcoming Radiology CE Course. It was inserted into the last newsletter. The four-year renewal time is quickly approaching to remain in compliance with the DEP radiology requirements mandated for all dentists and staff members who take x-rays. The course will occur on Friday, January 30, 2015 at Genetti Manor in Dickson City, PA.

If you have not received the official registration form, simply go to our website at www.scrantondental.org and click on "CE Courses." Should you have questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact Dr. Joseph Kelly, Jr. at 570-587-4787 or drkellyjr@gmail.com



2014 Officers

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2015 CE Schedule

If you haven't received the flyer for the 2015 Continuing Education courses and would like to register by the December 15th deadline to save money, go to www.scrantondental.org and click on CE Courses. Once there, you'll see the registration area. Click there and print!

January 28, 2015

Dr. Edward Feinberg - *Diagnostic Considerations & New Treatment Options for Difficult Cases*

February 25, 2015

Dr. Timothy Halligan - *Medical History Myth Busters: Yes, You Can Treat the Medically Complex Patient*

March 25, 2015

Dr. Scott DeRossi - *Diagnosis & Treatment of the Most Common Oral Lesions*

April 22, 2015

Dr. Howard Strassler - *Shift Happens! Problem Solvers for Restorative Dentistry*

The Impact of SB 1144

The Pennsylvania Dental Association, working in conjunction with the dental insurance carriers, supported SB 1144, which was signed into law Oct. 25, 2012 and took effect Dec. 25, 2012. The Act applies to all dental insurance contracts written in Pennsylvania after that date.

Act 65 Requires Dentists to Carry Malpractice Insurance

In June 2012, Gov. Corbett signed into law SB 388, now Act 65, legislation that requires dentists to carry malpractice insurance at minimum of \$1 million per occurrence or claim and \$3 million per annual aggregate. A licensee must show proof of having purchased this amount of insurance to the State Board of Dentistry.

DPW Makes Cuts to the Adult Medical Assistance Program

The state budget passed on June 30

without specifying the dental services that Medical Assistance (MA) would cover. The legislature empowered DPW Secretary Gary Alexander to make those decisions based on available funding. In subsequent communication with DPW officials, PDA learned that the changes to adult MA will take effect September 30.

PDA Wins Fight for General Anesthesia Coverage for At-Risk Patients: HB 532

The General Assembly passed HB 532, legislation requiring insurers to cover general anesthesia costs for young children and patients with developmental disabilities who need dental care.

Governor Signs EFDA Bill

On April 29, Governor Rendell signed HB 602, now Act 19, into law. Passage of this legislation is the culmination of efforts made over the past three years by members who

participated in grassroots initiatives to educate lawmakers about the operation of dental practices and the role of dental team members.

Philadelphia Ordinance Requires Brochures on Restorative Options: Bill No. 040904

The Use of Mercury in Dentistry, was unanimously adopted by the Philadelphia City Council in December 2007. It requires Philadelphia County dentists who place or remove dental amalgam to provide to each patient once a restorative options brochure and obtain the patient's signed receipt of the brochure.

Patient Identification on Dentures and Orthodontic Appliances: Act 101

Signed into law in 2005, Act 101 requires the placement of patient names or initials on all dentures and most orthodontic appliances.

SDDS Board Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Dr. Kurt Wadsworth

Present: Stephanie Hanyon, Amy Cravath, Mark Giallorenzi, Joe Kelly, Chris Kotchick, Mary Grace Rizzo-Fryzel, JR Karam, Eli Stavisky, Kady Schloesser, Kurt Wadsworth

Amy Cravath:

-Next board meeting will be held on 11/3/14 at 6 PM at Carl von Luger

JR Karam:

-PDA personal liability coverage for directors & officers

-will be purchased through PDAIS

-President's dinner will be held in April (possible date of 4/11 or 4/18)

-PDA General Session meeting will be held 4/24-4/25 in Hershey

-Next 3rd district meeting will be held 11/7

Joe Kelly:

-PDA will be offering a lecture on child abuse on 11/25 at 7 PM at the Radisson in Scranton

-Radiology lecture will be held on 1/23/15 at Genetti's; will be offered to members and non-members (members will receive a discount)

-PDA courses in Danville

-Retired and active life members are offered free admission; same policy will be adopted for our CE courses

Stephanie Hanyon:

-10/21 SDDS general session: Representative from Donated Dental Services will speak

-Jewish Family Services

-current protocol is acceptable for both patients and doctors

Eli Stavisky:

-PDA Meeting this year will be held at Hershey Lodge

-PDAIS will begin offering all types of insurance

-Child abuse CE will be required every 2 years

-PDA Officer election will be done via an online vote

-must have your email address on file to be eligible to vote

Kady Schloesser:

-Budget for National Children's Dental Health Month was \$5,000

-Motion made and passed to increase budget for this year to \$6,000

-Dr. Kerr will be contacted about magic show

-High school students can be asked to volunteer as tooth fairy

-8:45 meeting adjourned

Upcoming Events

ADA Annual Meeting	San Antonio, TX	Oct 9-14, 2014	8:00 AM
General Meeting	U of S – Brennan Hall Rose Room	Oct 21, 2014	6:30 PM
Third District Annual Mtg CE Course	Woodlands	Nov 7, 2014	8:00 AM
CE Course	Nichols Village	Jan 28, 2015	8:00 AM
Radiology CE Courses	Genetti's	Jan 30, 2015	8:00 AM
CE Course	Nichols Village	Feb 25, 2015	8:00 AM
CE Course	Nichols Village	March 25, 2015	8:00 AM
CE Course	Nichols Village	April 22, 2015	8:00 AM
PDA Day on the Hill	Harrisburg	June 2, 2015	8:00 AM

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