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**April 2021 Newsletter** 



# Welcome to our Newest Members

Dr. Jack Wells Jr.

# **Welcome Students**

Dr. Andrew Orr

# **Happy Spring**

As we move into warmer weather, we are grateful for new beginnings with NV AGD and our partners who have helped us to offer CE and bring value to our members.

With the licensure year ending, NV AGD will continue to **bring value with live virtual continuing education opportunities** in order to serve members throughout the state. <u>Check</u> <u>out the amazing courses that are</u> <u>scheduled</u>... you're not going to want to miss them!

Don't miss the **advocacy update** below in which we share pertinent information related to dentistry in the current legislative session!

All the best, Emily Ishkanian Neal DMD NV AGD, President

# **Upcoming Webinars from Nevada AGD**

#### What the Hell is That? Incidental Findings in Radiology

Wednesday, April 7, 2021 from 6-7 pm (pst) Presented by: Dr. Jacob Dunn DMD, MS Fee: Members: \$25; Student AGD: FREE; Non-Member Students: \$5; Non-Members: \$50

# Many Thanks To Our NV AGD Members

Drs. Joseph Wineman and Michelle Farnoush are some of the many dentists who have taken courses online in order to administer the COVID vaccine.

On behalf of our profession, we thank you for representing us so well and giving your time.

Photo Credit: Courtesy of Dr. Joseph Wineman



# **Advocacy Update:** What's Happening in the 2021 Nevada Legislative Session

With this April newsletter distribution, Nevada's 81<sup>st</sup> Legislature will have been underway for approximately two months. Every interested individual can track these bills throughout the session by using the <u>NELIS</u> (Nevada Electronic Legislative Information System). Click on the hyperlink above and enter the bill number or search for the word "dental" in the subject heading.

Should anyone want to learn more or participate in our advocacy efforts, please email us at the Nevada AGD.

# Currently, the Nevada AGD would like to share with you the bills that pertain to dentistry:

<u>SB233</u> – An Act making an appropriation for allocation to the Nevada Health Service Corps to obtain matching federal money for the purpose of encouraging certain medical and dental practitioners to practice in underserved areas.

<u>SB335</u> – Abolishes the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners and moves its function under the newly created Division of Occupational Licensing within the Department of Business and Industry, establishing the position of Administrator of the Division, setting forth the powers and duties of the Division and the Administrator; creating the Occupational Licensing Account; requiring each board that regulates a provider of health care to comply with certain requirements

relating to the creation, retention and public disclosure of records; raises the fees for dental (\$1000) dental hygiene (\$600), and dental therapy (\$600) licenses as well as other fees related to the business of dentistry, requiring 5 percent of the fees received by each board to be deposited in the Occupational Licensing Account; abolishing certain boards that regulate certain professions and occupations; transferring the powers and duties of such boards to the Division; adds a physician's assistant to the membership of the Board of Medical Examiners and the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

<u>SB391</u> – Tele dentistry and dental emergency responders

<u>AB269</u> – Allows dentists, dental hygienists and dental therapists to deliver immunization after obtaining a special endorsement from the Board. It also revises the necessary qualifications of the State Dental Health Officer; and allows the State Public Health Dental Hygienist to pursue another business or vocation in addition to the state job.

<u>SB40</u> – Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to establish an all-payer claims database containing information relating to health insurance claims

SB38 – Funding for Adopt-a-Vet Dental Program

AB438 – Authorizing the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada to employ persons for certain purposes; prescribing conditions concerning such employment; revising provisions governing the treatment of a patient by a dentist, dental hygienist or dental therapist licensed in another jurisdiction during certain courses of continuing education; providing for the licensure by endorsement of dentists and dental hygienists; prohibiting the imposition of disciplinary action against a dentist, dental hygienist or dental therapist for certain reasons; revising the types of disciplinary action that the Board is authorized to impose.

SB379 – Requiring the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish and maintain a database comprised of information concerning providers of health care who are licensed, certified or registered in this State.

SB54-450 – Requires persons authorized to prescribe controlled substances to complete certain training.

<u>SB269</u> – Retroactive claims denial. Revises provisions relating to dental insurance, retroactive claims denial and denial after pre-authorization to protect the dentist from the overreach of the insurance companies or third-party administrators.

<u>AB81</u> – Revises certain provisions governing voluntary health care service

710 – Establishes a health care clinic pilot program.

# The Nevada AGD Leading By Example

#### **Emily Ishkanian Neal DMD**

Amidst the rising violence against Asian Americans, the Nevada AGD would like to stand with our colleagues to condemn these and other acts of violence and hate that exist in our communities and our profession. We believe that the magnitude of our strength is bred not out of our similarities but rather our differences in terms of race, age, gender and practice type.



Diversity and inclusion are not simply a conversation we have annually but rather how the Nevada AGD chooses to lead. We welcome new perspectives in order to represent our members and strive to offer something of value to everyone.

We proudly lead by example with a diverse Board representing varying demographics of race, age, gender and practice type. And we echo the words of our President, Dr. Bruce L. Cassis, who reminds us that "We must *create welcoming communities, embrace differences, and speak up when we see racialized violence or mistreatment. We have a responsibility to stand up against all forms of racism, harassment and hate."* 

# **Upcoming Webinars from AGD**

#### The 3D Experience: An Introduction to CBCT for the Dental Practitioner Tuesday, April 6, 2021: 7:30 pm - 8:30pm CST Presented by Chad C. Duplantis, DDS, FAGD Fee: Members \$75, Students \$37.50, Non-Members \$125

#### **Treatment Success**

Thursday, April 8, 2021: 7:30 pm - 8:30pm CDT Presented by Charles J. Goodacre, DDS, MSD Fee: Members \$75, Students \$37.50, Non-Members \$125

<u>COVID-19 Pandemic: Coronavirus Pathobiology, Systemic Manifestations,</u> and Medical and Dental Issues Relating to Patient Care

Tuesday, April 13, 2021: 7:30 pm - 9:00pm CDT Presented by Harold V. Cohen, DDS Fee: **FREE** 

# **Oral Cancer: A Focus on Prevention**

Thursday, April 15, 2021: 7:30 pm - 9:00pm CDT Presented by Ashley Clark, DDS, FACD Fee: **FREE** 

## Practical Approaches to Geriatric Dentistry

Thursday, April 22, 2021: 7:30 pm - 9:00pm CDT Presented by Mai-Ly Duong, DMD, MPH, MAEd, MAGD, FSCD, FACD, FICD, FPFA Fee: Members \$75, Students \$37.50, Non-Members \$125

# AGD2021 Hybrid Program

## REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 7 AND IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 250 REGISTRANTS

The AGD2021 virtual option includes a pre-packaged selection of six lectures and two hands-on courses. The program will take place June 9–12 and live stream from the live courses being held in the Austin Convention Center. These courses include hard-to-find CE that will provide attendees with an educational experience and ability to earn credits while participating from home or office. Attendees who purchase the virtual option will be advised of a supply list for the hands-on courses that will include self-provided supplies and course-provided supplies, to participate remotely. The hybrid program is only \$749 and is comprised of the following courses:

## Wednesday, June 9

• "Airway Therapy for the Dental Team: What You Can Do For People at Every Age" by Steve Carstensen, DDS (full day lecture).

## Thursday, June 10

- "Emerging Trends in Periodontics in the 21st Century: New Dimensions in the Etiology, Pathogenesis and Treatment of Periodontal Disease," by Jim Grisdale, DDS (morning lecture).
- "Expedited Excellence Hands On: Increase Your Efficiency & Predictability with Direct Restorations," by Joshua A. Austin, DDS, MAGD (afternoon participation).

## Friday, June 11

- "Revolutionize Your Practice with Lasers," by Timothy Kosinski, DDS, MAGD (morning lecture).
- "7 Case Presentation Stumbling Blocks and How to Overcome Them," by Carrie Webber (afternoon lecture).

## Saturday, June 12

- "Evidenced-Based Local Anesthesia," by Arthur H. Jeske, DMD, PhD (morning lecture).
- "The New Era of Glass Ionomer: A Hands-On Experience!" by Joshua A. Austin, DDS, MAGD (afternoon participation).



# We're Making It Easy... Renew Your Membership HERE

**Current AGD Members:** Click <u>HERE</u> to renew your AGD membership.

AGD recognizes that members' circumstances change throughout their careers. To assist members through these transitions, AGD offers various membership status options to current members in good standing. If your circumstances have changed, please view the <u>membership status change request form</u>.

Former Members: Do you want to rejoin AGD? We would love to have you back!

To rejoin AGD, please contact the AGD Membership Services Center at 888.243.3368 (toll-free) or 312.440.4300, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. CST.

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