

On the Cusp

AUGUST 2021 Newsletter



Welcome to our Newest Members

Jim Tran, Las Vegas, NV
Terri Tran, Henderson, NV

Welcome Students

Alexa Briggs, Las Vegas, NV

Licensure Requirements

Nevada AGD is starting early! We know many of you just renewed your license, but it feels good to get some of those required courses completed and out of the way.

NV AGD brings value to its members and dental health care professionals by offering Infection Control with Dr. John Molinari on **August 28**. Join us by registering below!

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

Infection Control

Speaker: Dr. John A. Molinari, PhD

Date: August 28, 2021 from 9 am - 1 pm PST

Educational Method: Lecture

Subject: 148

Credits: 4

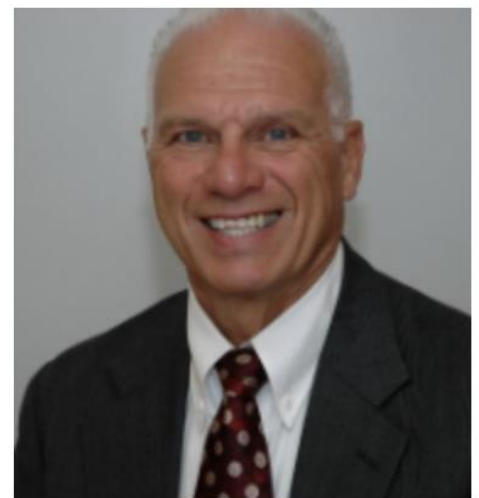
Location: Virtual

Audience: General Dentists, Specialists, Hygienists, Dental Students

Fees: NV AGD Members: \$100

Non-Member: \$150 Hygienist: \$125 Staff: \$50

Student AGD Member: FREE Non-Member Student: \$10



Call for Volunteers Vacancy in Office

The Nevada AGD is looking for great leaders. By getting involved with the NV AGD, you'll receive recognition as a leader who has a commitment to the profession, opportunity to network with peers, innovative ideas to use in your practice, leadership development training, and experience in future roles in the association.

A Nevada AGD volunteer should be an AGD member in good standing, attend and participate in scheduled board meetings and events, be able to provide the skills required by the position and be open and willing to learn from fellow volunteers.

The following position is available on the Nevada AGD board:

SECRETARY

If you are interested in volunteering with the Nevada AGD but not in a board position, other positions in need of volunteers include:

CONTINUING EDUCATION MEMBERSHIP ADVOCACY

Your help is critical to the organization. Please consider becoming a part of the NV AGD and [email us](#) your area of interest by **August 1st**.

How I Fell into Work in Public Health

Dr. Daniel Egbert DMD, MHL, FAGD - Nevada Health Centers



Following a GPR residency with the University of Utah, I lined up a public health position. However, a few weeks before I was supposed to start, I was notified of some changes: namely my position, the practice location and my hours (2 pm to midnight). I did not like the new offer and was apprehensive that the terms changed right before I was set to move.

So...there I was without a job.

I went back to Murtaugh, Idaho, my hometown, and started looking for positions again. Unfortunately, I did not find anything initially but a few months later had interest with three different places. I interviewed for a corporate position, however I was uneasy with the described patient load, quality of care and compensation. The other two opportunities were in public health. Ultimately, I made the decision to accept the offer with the public health entity that had a better

compensation package, but unfortunately that meant I was further away from my extended family.

After working with Nevada Health Centers for the last five years, I am very happy with my position. Nevada Health Centers has great compensation, benefits as well as time off. Another bonus is loan repayment because Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) in rural communities qualify for federal or state loan repayment which is helpful especially as a new graduate. Also, Nevada Health Center's contract with Medicaid allows dentists to do crowns, root canals, etc., as all of our procedures are covered even for adults with state insurance. We provide comprehensive care to patients who really need treatment, and I don't worry about being pushed to go too fast or compromise quality care.

It's important to note, at FQHCs you must treat all patients who come for help. You cannot pick and choose cases you treat and often you are a patient's last hope. It is more difficult to dismiss patients who are noncompliant or rude. And although, there are some patients who are demanding and pushy, despite receiving care at no cost, the majority are very appreciative of receiving the help they need that is otherwise financially out of reach to them. I have rehabilitated many mouths and done a lot of esthetic veneer work with fluorosis patients. Almost every week we have a weeping patient who is overwhelmed with gratitude that we have restored their smile and they no longer feel ashamed of their teeth. That makes the challenges worthwhile.

Follow the link to learn more about a career in public health or with [Nevada Health Centers](#).

Daniel Egbert DMD, MHL, FAGD

Graduate of Oregon Health and Science University and University of Utah Hospital Dentist Residency Program. Dr. Egbert currently works at Nevada Health Centers in Elko, Nevada, earned his Master of Health Leadership degree and his fellowship with the Academy of General Dentistry.

Upcoming Webinars from AGD

[Implants: Commercial Information vs. Reality](#)

Thursday, August 5, 2021: 7:30 pm - 9:00pm CDT

Presented by Hessam Nowzari, DDS, PhD

Fee: Members \$75, Students \$37.50, Non-Members \$125

[Hit Me with Your Best Shot — Making Local Anesthesia More Effective and More Comfortable](#)

Tuesday, August 17, 2021: 7:30 pm - 9:00pm CDT

Presented by Stanley F. Malamed, DDS

Fee: Members \$75, Students \$37.50, Non-Members \$125

[The True Value of Digital Dentistry: Maximizing Your Digital Practice](#)

Thursday, August 19, 2021: 7:30 pm - 9:00pm CDT

Presented by Joshua Austin, DDS, MAGD

Fee: Members \$75, Students \$37.50, Non-Members \$125

HPV and Head & Neck Cancer

Tuesday, August 31, 2021: 7:30 pm - 9:00pm CDT

Presented by Ronald C. McGlennen, MD

Fee: Members \$75, Students \$37.50, Non-Members \$125

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