WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS COUNCIL?
The goal of the Council on Dental Practice is to formulate and recommend policies relating to the practice of dentistry. The Council studies, evaluates and disseminates information and regulations pertaining to dental practice. The Council also considers the current dental practice models, including the economic factors related to dental practice, practice management techniques, auxiliary utilization and dental laboratory services.

“JOB DESCRIPTION”: WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME?
General responsibilities of a Council on Dental Practice member:

- Participate in the formulation of recommended NYSDA policies relating to dental practice.
- Report to your local dental society on the Council’s activities, if you attend membership meetings.
- Attend one live meeting at NYSDA’s Albany office and participate in one meeting via video conference annually.

WHAT WILL I GAIN BY DEDICATING MY TIME AND TALENTS (What’s in it for me?)
You will gain first-hand experience in participating in the deliberative process and association leadership. You will acquire a greater base of knowledge about professional practice issues, including relevant regulations governing the practice of dentistry in New York, as well as related public health initiatives and patient access issues.

SERIOUSLY, I’M REALLY BUSY! HOW MUCH TIME WILL THIS TAKE?
Approximately two days per year. There is an in-person meeting in Albany and one video conference meeting a year. Staff will notify you and provide you with agenda materials in advance of the meetings. You will be reimbursed for overnight accommodations (if necessary), travel and meal expenses when attending a meeting in Albany.

WHAT ARE THE TERMS OF THIS COMMITTEE/COUNCIL?
The New Dentist member’s term is 2-years, up to a maximum of two consecutive terms (provided the person remains qualified as a new dentist throughout the term), based on recommendation from the New Dentist Committee and nomination by the NYSDA Board of Trustees, with election by the NYSDA House of Delegates.