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Report Council on Dental Health Planning and Hospital Dentistry

1 The Council on Dental Health Planning and Hospital Dentistry (DHPHD) met on October
2 17, 2025, and February 20, 2026, by video conference. Minutes of these meetings are
3 on file in the NYSDA office and have been distributed to the Board of Trustees and to
4 component presidents, presidents-elect, component executive directors, and council
5 chairs.

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7 ADA Council on Advocacy for Access and Prevention (CAAP) Report: The Council was
8 provided with reports from CAAP meetings held in July 2025 and January 2026.

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10 NYS Department of Health Update: Dr. Dionne Richardson, State Dental Director,
11 Division of Family Health, NYS Department of Health (DOH), reported at both Council
12 meetings about DOH's initiatives and priorities. Community water fluoridation remains
13 an item of importance, in addition to the medical/dental integration of diabetes and oral
14 health.

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16 **Dentist and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact Subcommittee:** At its 2025
17 meeting, the NYSDA House referred Resolutions 5H-2025 and 9H-2025 to the councils
18 on Dental Health Planning and Hospital Dentistry; Dental Education and Licensure; and
19 Dental Practice to further evaluate the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact
20 and develop recommendations to be submitted to the 2026 HOD. As a result, a
21 subcommittee was formed consisting of members from each of these three councils.

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23 Drs. Maria Maranga, Laura Johnstone, and Cherry Libramonte are the members on the
24 subcommittee representing DHPHD. A report was given that included notes from the
25 subcommittee's meeting held on January 19. After considerable discussion, the Council
26 agreed that it is not in favor of recommending that New York support the Dentist and
27 Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact. A related resolution follows this report.

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29 **Expedited Licensure and Foreign-Trained Dentists:** At its 2025 House of Delegates
30 meeting, the NYSDA House adopted Resolution 8H-2025 directing a Task Force be
31 formed consisting of members of the councils on Dental Health Planning and Hospital
32 Dentistry; Dental Education and Licensure; and Dental Practice to evaluate the intended
33 direction of Resolution 15H-2024, Expedited Licensure and Foreign-Trained Dentists.

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35 Members of the Task Force from DPHPD are Drs. Maria Maranga, David Miller, and
36 Jean DiFlorio. An update on recent Task Force meetings and its progress towards
37 developing recommendations was provided to Council members. Members discussed
38 concerns about the recruitment of foreign-trained dentists and the need for expedited
39 pathways.

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41 **Hospital Dental Program Liaison Reports:** Drs. Korff and Miller reported on concerns
42 affecting upstate and downstate hospital dental program directors. Discussion included
43 the number of program applications and dental program matching results. Dr. Miller
44 presented the 2026 National Matching Program results, noting an increase of 100
45 applicants to 3,213 total applicants, though the number of positions offered decreased
46 to 2,272. The data showed 1,200 unmatched applicants and highlighted that
47 international dental school students had a particularly low match rate of 170 out of 635
48 applicants, with most matches occurring in school-based programs rather than GPRs or
49 AEGDs.

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51 The challenges of filling residency positions and faculty roles, particularly in upstate
52 regions, were discussed.

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54 Nomination of Council Chair: The Council voted unanimously to recommend Dr. Maria
55 C. Maranga of the Suffolk County Dental Society to incoming NYSDA President Dr.
56 Amarilis Jacobo for consideration for appointment to the position of Council Chair from
57 June 2026 to June 2027. If approved, this will be Dr. Maranga's second and final year
58 as chair.

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Resolution
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