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### Report Council on Dental Education and Licensure

The Council on Dental Education and Licensure (CDEL) met on September 17, 2024, by Zoom and on March 21, 2025, at the Marriott Hotel in Albany, NY. Immediately prior to its regular meeting on March 21, the Council met jointly with the Council on Dental Health Planning and Hospital Dentistry (CDHPHD). Minutes of these meetings are on file in the NYSDA office and have been distributed to the Board of Trustees and to component presidents, presidents-elect, component executive directors and council chairs.

#### **Review of Resolution 14H-2024, Dentist and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact:**

At its 2024 House of Delegates meeting, the NYSDA House adopted Resolution 14H-2024, which asked that the appropriate councils evaluate the Dentists and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact model. The Board formally referred the resolution to the Council on Dental Practice for recommendations to the 2025 HOD but also asked that the Council on Dental Education and Licensure consider the matter.

The Council discussed dental compacts during both of their regular meetings and attended an informational webinar hosted by the American Dental Association on January 27, 2025. The Compact and how it would affect the PGY-1 requirement was discussed. Although the Compact does not affect existing licensure pathways in states choosing to join, New York State would be required to accept dentists coming from other compact states who do not have the PGY-1 requirement, if they chose to join the Dental Compact.

The following resolution was ultimately moved:

**Resolved**, that NYSDA support the development of state compacts (AADP – CSG model), which allow dentists to practice across state lines.

On vote, the resolution was **not adopted**.

**Review of Resolution 15H-2024, Expediated Licensure and Foreign-Trained Dentists:** Resolution 15H-2024, which passed at the 2024 HOD meeting, was formally

referred to the Council for its recommendation to be submitted to the 2025 HOD. A subcommittee was formed to further discuss the issue.

The intent of the resolution was questioned. The background statement mentions expedited licensure and additional training options to reduce barriers for foreign-trained dentists and workforce shortages in areas of the state. The resolution itself does not specifically state that it is for the purpose of solving the workforce shortage problem that exists in New York State. The Council discussed that fast-tracking licensure for foreign-trained dentists would not guarantee that they would end up practicing in an underserved area. Other concerns involved the quality of the foreign dental school program that the dentists are graduating from.

During the joint meeting with the CDHPHD on March 21, Resolution 15H-2024 was further discussed. The possibility of planning a summit to be held in May 2025 for the purpose of addressing access to care and expedited licensure for foreign-trained dentists was considered. The Council agreed that if it is determined the summit is not feasible, the Council will revisit this resolution for potential future action. Therefore, no formal action was taken at this time.

**Review of Resolution 16H-2024, PGY-1:** The NYSDA Board formally referred Resolution 16H-2024 to CDEL and CDHPHD for recommendations to be submitted to the 2025 HOD. The Council formed a PGY-1 subcommittee to discuss the issue further and to meet with the subcommittee formed by the CDHPHD. A related resolution submitted jointly from CDEL and CDHPHD follows this report.

**Review of On-the-Job Trained Dental Assistant Tier resolution:** The On-the-Job Trained Dental Assistant Tier resolution was submitted to the NYSDA Board from the NYSDA Workforce Shortage Task Force in 2024. It was ultimately referred by the Board to CDEL and the Council on Dental Practice for their recommendations.

The proposed resolution would create a new category for dental assisting. The Council believes that this proposal is more of a practice issue than a licensure issue and does not feel comfortable creating another profession at the state level without further explanation. A related resolution follows this report.

**Review of 2024 ADA HOD Resolutions:** The Council reviewed several resolutions adopted at the 2024 American Dental Association's House of Delegates meeting. They are as follows:

Resolution 401, Increasing Allied Personnel in the Workforce: The Council agreed with the resolution in concept but raised concerns about its implementation, specifically, regarding potential unintended consequences like reduced class sizes.

Resolution 513, Dental Students and Residents as Dental Hygienists: After discussion, the following resolution was moved:

**Resolved**, that NYSDA support allowing residents who have completed the CDCA-REB-CITA-administered ADEX clinical licensing exam to practice dental hygiene or to practice as other dentist-supervised allied dental team members.

On vote, the resolution was **not adopted**.

Resolution 514, Internationally Trained Dentists as Dental Hygienists: After discussion, the following resolution was moved:

**Resolved**, that NYSDA support allowing dentists ineligible to practice dentistry in the United States who have completed a program in a foreign country, subject to state licensing board requirements, to obtain a license to practice dental hygiene in New York.

On vote, the resolution was **not adopted**.

**Scope of Practice:** The modification of the scope of practice to allow dentists to perform additional duties, subject to specific criteria, was discussed. A related resolution follows this report.

**NYSDA Policy 28-D-87:** A discussion took place on modification of language regarding the administration of anesthesia by non-dentists. A related resolution follows this report.

**Nomination of Council Chair:** The Council voted unanimously to recommend Dr. Robert M. Peskin of the Nassau County Dental Society to incoming NYSDA President Dr. Maurice L. Edwards for consideration for appointment to the position of Council Chair from June 2025 to June 2026. If approved, this will be Dr. Peskin's second and final year as Chair.

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