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Submitted By:	Council on Peer Review and Quality Assurance			
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### Report of the Council on Peer Review and Quality Assurance

1 Since the last House of Delegates meeting, the Council on Peer Review and Quality  
2 Assurance met on October 3, 2025, and April 10, 2026. Both meetings were held  
3 virtually. Minutes of these meetings are on file in the NYSDA office and have been  
4 distributed to the Board of Trustees, component presidents, presidents-elect, executive  
5 directors, and council chairs.

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7 **Case Review:** At each of its meetings, members of the Council discuss cases they  
8 have worked on. In this forum, they are able to bounce questions and ideas off one  
9 another for unique and sometimes difficult cases. This has proved to be a useful tool for  
10 the Council members when dealing with new cases on the local level.

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12 **Appeals:** There was one Peer Review hearing that was appealed since the last House  
13 of Delegates meeting. The request was denied because they did not meet the  
14 requirements for an appeal.

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16 **Quality Assurance Hearings:** The Council reviewed the use of Quality Assurance  
17 hearings as a means of addressing patterns of recurring complaints involving individual  
18 dentists. These hearings differ from traditional Peer Review cases in that they may be  
19 conducted without patient participation and rely on a review of records rather than a  
20 patient examination. The Council discussed the value of Quality Assurance hearings as  
21 an early intervention and corrective tool, including the potential recommendation of  
22 targeted continuing education when warranted.

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24 **Nomination of Chair:** The Council unanimously recommended Dr. James S. Sansone  
25 to incoming NYSDA President, Dr. Amarilis Jacobo for appointment as Council chair  
26 from June 2026-2027. If selected, this will be Dr. Sansone's first term as chair.

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28 **Nomination of Lay Observer:** Mr. Bill Ketzner is recommended as the appointee for the  
29 position of lay observer.  
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