

Resolution No.	14	New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Substitute <input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment <input type="checkbox"/>
Submitted By:	Council on Dental Practice			
Date Submitted:	April 7, 2026	Reference Committee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Direct to House <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total Financial Implication:	\$ 0			
Amount One-time	\$ 0	Amount On-going	\$ none	

CDP - Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact

1 **BACKGROUND STATEMENT:** At its 2024 House of Delegates (HOD) meeting, the NYSDA
 2 House adopted Resolution 14H-2024, requesting that the appropriate councils evaluate the
 3 Dentist and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact model. The Board formally referred the
 4 resolution to the Council on Dental Practice for recommendations to the 2025 HOD. During the
 5 2025 House of Delegates, the Council on Dental Practice sent forward a resolution in support of
 6 the Dental Compacts. The NYSDA House subsequently referred the resolution back to the
 7 appropriate councils, with a request for further recommendations to the 2026 HOD.

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 9 The Dentist and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact does not grant a practitioner a
 10 national license. Its intent is to facilitate the interstate practice of dentistry and dental
 11 hygiene. It is an optional, additional pathway for practitioners to practice in states where
 12 they do not hold a license. The dentist or dental hygienist must apply for a compact
 13 privilege in each state where they wish to practice. The Compact contract contains
 14 criteria that must be met before a licensed dentist or dental hygienist can apply for
 15 Compact privilege. States retain control over who they license and scope of practice.
 16 The Compact preserves the licensure requirements of New York State while allowing
 17 the number of practicing dentists to increase.

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 19 Since becoming active in 2024, 12 states have joined the Compact and 9 states have
 20 pending legislation to join, including our neighboring states of Pennsylvania, New
 21 Jersey, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The Compact would increase mobility for
 22 dentists who are relocating, especially for those who may spend winters in another
 23 Compact state. It would expand employment opportunities and promote workforce
 24 development. The passage of pending legislation in neighboring states would open
 25 opportunities for those dentists to practice in New York State as well.

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 27 Accordingly, the following resolution is being submitted for consideration:

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 29 **14. Resolved,** that NYSDA support New York State’s participation in the Dentist and
 30 Dental Hygienist (DDH) Licensure Compact to promote increased licensure mobility
 31 for dentists and dental hygienists.
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33 **Board Comments:** The Board feels it is premature to commit to participating in a multi-state
 34 licensure compact. There are no dental professionals yet practicing under these arrangements
 35 in other states, and the Board wants to see data that shows whether they work in practice or
 36 not. And knowing that our Department of Education has expressed opposition to these in the
 37 past, it is too soon for NYSDA to commit support to these compacts.

38 **BOARD RECOMMENDATION: VOTE NO**

name	yes	no	abstain	absent	name	yes	no	abstain	absent	name	yes	no	abstain	absent
Demas		x			Hills		x			Ramjattansingh		x		
Dominger		x			Jacobs		x			Rothas	x			
Edwards		x			Jacobo		x			Samuels	x			
Gamache		x			Korkosz		x			Scharoff		x		
Giordano		x			Krishnan		x			Stacy		x		
Greenberg		x			Miller		x			Stacey		x		
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