

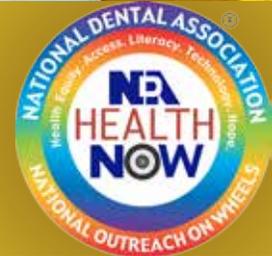


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## NDA Launches HEALTH NOW-Atlanta®

*The National Dental Association (NDA) launched NDA-HEALTH NOW-Atlanta® on Thursday, July 21, 2016, at the Andrew & Walter Young Family YMCA in Atlanta, Georgia.*

NDA-HEALTH NOW® (Health Equity, Access, Literacy, Technology and Hope. National Outreach on Wheels) is a grassroots, community-based health project to increase access to oral health in underserved populations and the signature project of the NDA. The event at the YMCA was a part of the NDA 103rd Annual Convention and was hosted for the YMCA's Summer Camp children, their families, and the surrounding community. This Project, started in 2013, was made possible with funding from the Links Foundation, W. K. Kellogg Foundation and The Coca-Cola Foundation. Key collaborators for the Atlanta event were: Colgate, Morehouse School of Medicine, the Georgia Dental Society, and the North Georgia Dental Society. Other community partners were: WellStar Health System, Mobile Expressions, Inc., Wholistic Stress Control Institution Inc., Center for Black Women's Wellness, Atlanta Technical College, Starbucks Camp Creek, Atlanta Chapter of the Links, Incorporated, Camellia Rose Chapter of the Links, Incorporated, Wellcare, C.H.O.I.C.E.S., the Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority (FDHA), Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness, Chick-Fil-A, and Southeast Primary Care Consortium AHEC. In addition, HEALTH NOW events are supported by NDA national corporate partners: Sunstar Americas, Inc., Henry Schein Cares, Aetna, General Electric, A-dec, ADI-MOBILE, and Patterson Dental.

The Young Family YMCA event featured something for everyone from ages 5-95! A total of 215 children received oral screenings



## President's Note

**Dear NDA Members:**

The 103rd NDA Annual Convention was an awesome experience, and as your President, I have received glowing feedback on the education offerings, speakers, exhibitors, special events and social opportunities, and I grateful to the Atlanta planning team for "showing up and showing out." You worked with the national office to produce a stellar event, and I am sure our members and supporters are appreciative.

To our sponsors, supporters, and exhibitors, I cannot thank you enough for your continuing support of the NDA and its mission. Through your assistance, we are able to come together to learn and share, and return to our respective communities better informed and prepared to provide high quality service.

To the conferees, your engagement and thoughtful exchange of ideas and solutions has once again helped to solidify the foundation of service and care that we as dental professionals practice on a daily basis. Nothing can ever replace the experience of learning from and with your colleagues.

To the City of Atlanta thank you for truly showing what southern hospitality is really all about, one of the many reasons I love calling Georgia my home.

In closing, I say THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

For those who could not make it, please plan to join us next year, but in the meantime enjoy the Convention in Pictures on the next few pages.

Sincerely

Judy Greenlea Taylor, DDS, MPH, FICD  
92nd President, National Dental Association



# Message from the National Office

LaVette Henderson, CMP, CVEP, HMCC

*AWESOME is the word being used by members and attendees to describe the NDA 103rd Annual Convention on surveys and in communications to the national office.*

Attendees expressed they were energized and took full advantage of the fantastic educational series that included different format from lectures, short talks and panel discussions. Networking events were full of fun, laughter and sharing knowledge amongst colleagues. The New Dentist Program was splendid and the SNDA members showed up in record numbers. We can't overlook the overwhelming support we received from our deans and faculty members this year. Bridging the Gap was a major focus and our students shared their excitement surrounding the opportunities to meet and connect with experienced dentists. BIG THANK YOU to our deans and faculty members for mapping the path.

One of our goals in improving access to oral health care is to provide our members with memorable moments and experiences while enhancing skills and knowledge. Collaborating and building long last relationships was in motion across our family of organizations – students, new and veteran dentists, hygienists, assistants – all oral health professionals. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our cadre of amazing speakers and panelists. This year's convention hosted world renowned speakers, local professionals, and clinical, business and education experts. In addition, attendees test-drove products and services in the product and resource center. It was a great convention with an all-star cast.

In closing, I again salute our remaining founding Corporate Roundtable (CRT) partners (Aetna, Colgate, Crest Oral-B, Dental Trade Alliance, Dentsply, GlaxoSmithKline and Henry Schein Dental) and thank all of our CRT Partners for 20 years of support and guidance. Thank you to our convention sponsors/supporters, exhibitors, presenters, local societies and convention committees for their dedication and support to the organization. Everyone was extremely instrumental in the success of this convention.

### News Alerts

- The 104th Convention at the Sheraton Dallas, Wednesday, July 19 to Sunday 23, 2017, yes a new format recommended by YOU. You asked we delivered. Your Voice Matters
- We have Loan and Credit Card Incentive Plans – Bankers Healthcare Group
- Free Malpractice Insurance Webinars – Dentist's Advantage
- NDA Legacy Fund Campaign to advocate and support the future of oral health professions

Stay engaged, informed and focused on our future to improve access in our communities. Enjoy the Convention highlights and be sure to verify your contact information with the national office.

Sincerely,

LaVette C. Henderson, CMP, CVEP, HMCC  
NDA, Deputy Executive Director

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**A recent report from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) revealed that of the 1,853,488 Georgians living in Dental Health Professional Shortage areas, 72.54 % have unmet dental needs.<sup>1</sup> Nationally, Georgia was ranked 46th in the country in the dentist to population ratio.<sup>2</sup>**

and referrals on the Colgate Van; 300 received oral health and health education and participated in a 7- station education circuit including a STEM career corner. Adults received health screenings and education courtesy of WellStar, Morehouse School of Medicine, Wellcare, the FDHA, and SE Primary Care AHEC. A special program for Seniors (a total of 131) included courses such as "Razzle Dazzle Smiles for Life™", "Seniors Take Charge and Overcome Stress", "Where to Find World Class Health Care in Fulton County", "jStressed Spelled Backwards is Desserts: Meeting your Sweet Tooth Demand?", "Your Guide to Cosmetic Dentistry", "Popular Enhancing Treatments and Trends", "Get Extra Help, Medicaid Advantage Plan", and "Making Healthy CHOICES for Life".

There was a vast network of over 100 volunteers from the community as well as volunteers attending the NDA Convention which included the entire NDA Family – dental and pre-dental students, hygienists, dental assistants, and spouses. The local team leaders of this event were Drs. Katherine Erwin (Morehouse School of Medicine); Dwayne Turner (NDA member and Colgate Atlanta Coordinator); Kim Turner and Alfred Wyatt (Atlanta Convention Co-chairs). Dr. Judy Greenlea Taylor, NDA President, said "In my role as President of the National Dental Association, the only dentist appointed to the Board of the Georgia Department of Public Health, and a practitioner in the state of Georgia, I am committed to addressing issues of access and disparities in health care. A recent report from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) revealed that of the 1,853,488 Georgians living in Dental Health Professional Shortage areas, 72.54 % have unmet

dental needs.<sup>1</sup> Nationally, Georgia was ranked 46th in the country in the dentist to population ratio.<sup>2</sup> The NDA views access as a matter of social justice and civil rights. During my Presidency, I have worked to ensure that the NDA continues to be the voice of the underserved as well as underrepresented minorities in dentistry by helping our members and students continually strive to be informed, engaged, and focused on our future."

NDA-HEALTH NOW® programs are currently active in Chicago, Dallas, Houston, New York, New Orleans, Oakland, and Washington, DC. Programs are forming in Detroit, Flint, and Milwaukee. Key elements of the project include: 1) establishing referral networks for Medicaid and Medicare patients; 2) compiling resource directories of providers and pharmacies; and 3) developing and disseminating culturally and linguistically appropriate integrated medical-dental messages. In every city, collaborations are formed with other health professional groups and multi-cultural organizations. Future plans include the purchase and staffing of "mixed-use" mobile health units for each city equipped for medical screening, vision screening, and dental services. Hazel J. Harper, DDS, MPH, NDA Past President, is the Founding Director of NDA-HEALTH NOW®.

For more information, visit: [ndaonline.org/healthnow](http://ndaonline.org/healthnow)

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# NDA HOSTS FIRST NATIONAL INTER-PROFESSIONAL SYMPOSIUM DURING CBCF ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE WEEKEND



The Honorable Louis W. Sullivan, MD

On September 14, 2016, Dr. Judy Greenlea Taylor, NDA President, presided over an innovative program titled “NEW TRENDS FOR A HEALTHIER NATION: INTER-PROFESSIONAL COLLABORATIVE CARE” held at the Hamilton Crowne Plaza in Washington, DC, in conjunction with the Congressional Black Caucus Annual Legislative Conference weekend. The program was supported by educational grants from the Aetna Foundation, Colgate, and the Henry Schein Cares Foundation. The audience of ninety-six (96) attendees included dentists, dental students, physicians, nurses, health administrators and other stakeholders.

The purpose of the program was to increase understanding of the emerging trends in health delivery with increased focus on patient outcomes, including oral health outcomes; to present current concepts of oral health science, emerging integrated health practices, mechanisms for data sharing; and to stimulate inter-professional collaboration for collective impact on health policy and health equity. The seminar also sought to assess how integrating patient-provider collaborations with multiple health disciplines is helping to refine definitions of health and illness and eliminate health disparities. Attendees were given information on how some institutions are providing opportunity for cohesive action to promote team-based practice through inter-professional collaborative practice for improved patient and population health outcomes, and they were able to network with other attendees and speakers to share ideas, ask questions, and find potential collaborators. Under the leadership

of Dr. Hazel Harper, NDA-Aetna Consultant/ Director for Inter-Professional Education, the National Dental Association created a very unique experience for the multidisciplinary audience in attendance. The Nurse Planners for the session were Howard University Nursing School Professors Drs. Janalyn Edmonds and Veronica Clarke-Tasker.

The program presenters were Dr. Kenneth B. Chance, Sr., Dean and Professor of Endodontics at the Case Western Reserve University, School of Dental Medicine, and former Dean and Professor at the Meharry Medical College, School of Dentistry; Mr. Brian Cladoosby, Chairman of the Swinomish Indian Tribal and President of the National Congress of American Indians; Mr. John W. Daniels, Chairman Emeritus of the law firm of Quarles & Brady and Chairman of the Board for Aurora Health Care; Dr. Jack Dillenberg, Inaugural Dean of A.T. Still University’s Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health and former Associate Director for public health programs in the California Department of Health Services; Ms. Kristen Mizzi Angelone, an officer with the Pew Charitable Trusts Dental Campaign, and former staffer in the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate; Dr. Paul E. Gates, Chairman of the Department of Dentistry and the Director of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center and Chairman of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Health Center; Dr. Erin Hartnett, Program Director for the NYU School of Nursing’s oral health programs: Oral Health Nursing Education and Practice (OHNEP) and Teaching Oral Systemic Health (TOSH); Mr. Steven W. Kess, Vice President of Global Professional Relations for Henry Schein, Inc. and President of the Henry Schein Cares Foundation; Dr. Glenda F. Newell-Harris, Western Regional Medical Director for Corizon Health Incorporated, and national president of The Links, Incorporated and the Links Foundation, Incorporated; Dr. Karl Self, Director of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry’s Division of Dental Therapy, consultant for the Minnesota Department of Human Services’ Medical Assistance program, and Director of Inclusivity and Diversity for the University of Minnesota School of Nursing; Dr. Henrie M. Treadwell, Research Professor in the Department of Community Health and Preventive Medicine at Morehouse School of Medicine and Founding Executive Director and Senior Advisor for the Community Voices Initiative; Dr. Eric Williams, Assistant Director/ Faculty Leader and Professor of Nursing at Santa Monica College, Santa Monica, CA, and [first male] president of the National Black Nurses Association.

The symposium format consisted of three panels: “Health Systems & New Models for Health Care Delivery”, moderated by Dr. Dennis Mitchell, Vice Provost for Faculty Diversity and Inclusion for Columbia University and Senior Associate Dean at the Columbia University College of Dental Medicine; “Achieving Oral Health Equity: The Mandate for Total Health”, moderated by Dr. Janet Southerland, Professor in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and former Dean of the Meharry

Medical College, School of Dentistry; and “Inter-Professional Patient Care- The Rx for Healthier Communities”, moderated by Dr. Mary Lee Conicella, Chief Dental Officer of Aetna. Special remarks were delivered by The Honorable Dr. Louis M. Sullivan; Dr. Judy Greenlea Taylor, NDA President; Dr. Nathan Fletcher, NDA Past President; and Dr. Marsha Butler, Vice President of Global Professional Relations & Marketing, Colgate-Palmolive Company.

According to the data from the attendees’ Post-Evaluation Surveys, 95.3% reported that they strongly agreed with the statement, “The overall quality of the activity was excellent.” Comments gleaned from some of the Evaluation Forms are indicative of the program’s impact and success:

*“The symposium sheds light on the need of oral health to be a subjective part of a comprehensive approach to addressing general health issues in the undeserved communities.”*

*“Propelled me to strategize with my team around opportunities to build cultural competence as a vehicle to supporting our rural, safety net population, informed by the communities we serve.”*

*“Symposium educated me on the oral health disparities and inequities in our community.”*

*“Alerts me about the traction and nationwide support and evidence for dental therapy and how to include this concept within current discourses at my institution”*

*“As an MD [I will] attempt to do cursory oral health exam and encourage referral to appropriate oral health practitioner.”*

*“As a student it makes me think of the future of dentistry and how this generation can make a difference to ensure we have quality oral health care for all individuals.”*



*The symposium’s presentations are available for viewing on the NDA web site at [www.ndaonline.org/healthiernationpresentations](http://www.ndaonline.org/healthiernationpresentations). The Executive Summary and Proceedings will also be available in the near future.*



Supported by educational grants from the Aetna Foundation, Colgate and Henry Schein Cares Foundation



## NDA-Pew Leaders Meet in DC for Legislative Advocacy Training Session and Congressional Visits

**O**n Wednesday, September 14, 2016, the Pew Charitable Trusts conducted the NDA-Pew Leadership and Legislative Advocacy Training Program. The purpose of the training is to provide the leaders with the knowledge, skills and training required to become oral health advocates and policy informers. The focus of the NDA -Pew partnership is on eliminating oral health disparities by improving access to care, and promoting legislative policies that address the barriers to oral health (including financial, workforce, and social determinants). Current issues and future trends were presented, along with legislative updates, advocacy and

spokesperson training with Policy Experts. The training was conducted by Valarie Molaison from Pew, Nate Myszka from Pew, and Fredette West, Chairman and Director of the African American Health Alliance and the Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities Coalition.

The NDA-Pew Leaders in attendance were Drs. H. Gene Brooks, Carrie Brown, Nicole Cheek, Judy Greenlea Taylor, Cheryl Lee, Dorita Newsome-Dobbins, Kim Perry, Madge Potts-Williams, and Ruges Stockton. Howard University College of Dentistry students participating as NDA-Pew Student Leaders were Christina Becco, Jose Liens, Heston Young, Ashley Lofters, Morgan Morrow, Josh Philip, Alexandra Schutz, Mercedes Sweeney, and Julian Wade.

After the training session on Wednesday, the NDA-Pew Leaders and Student Leaders made several Congressional visits. NDA delegations visited the offices of Rep. Maxine Waters (CA-43), Rep. Barbara Lee (CA-13), Rep. Karen Bass (CA-37), Rep. Emanuel Cleaver (MO-5), Rep. Bobby Scott (VA-3), Rep. Donald Payne (NJ-10), Rep. John Lewis (GA-5), Rep. James Clyburn (SC-6), Rep. Bobby Rush (IL-1), Rep. Mia Love (UT-4), Rep. Gregory Meeks (NY-6), Rep. Charles Rangel (NY-13), Rep. Danny Davis (IL-7), Rep. Brenda Lawrence (MI-14), and Rep. Keith Ellison (MN-5).

## Aetna Sponsors NDA-Dallas Inter-professional Opiates Addiction Seminar



**O**n October 22, 2016, NDA and Gulf State Dental Association hosted an Inter-Professional seminar titled “The Prescription Opiate Epidemic: What All Health Professionals Must Know” at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas, Texas, in collaboration with the Texas A&M University College of Dentistry Center of Excellence. The activity was supported with an educational grant from the Aetna Foundation. This is a timely topic because opiate addiction is a national public health epidemic, and in Texas, as in other states, all health professionals must assume responsibility and be a part of the discussion that will “stem the tide” of this epidemic. The objectives of this inter-professional seminar were to: 1) address this issue from a holistic approach with a focus on mental health; 2) increase awareness about the magnitude of this crisis; 3) discuss guidelines and strategies to change knowledge and prescribing practices or judicious opioid prescribing; and 4) present interventions that all disciplines can use to stem the tide of this epidemic.

The program planners included Drs. Jocelyn Kidd, Kiamesha McClellan, Ernie Lacy, and Hazel Harper. Ms. Lisa Sullivan, a Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Diversion Program Manager, gave a “DEA Opioid Update” with a focus on the national scope of the problem; schemes used to divert pharmaceutical controlled substances; and practitioners’ role in preventing diversion. Dr. S. Marshal Isaacs, Medical Director for the 12-city consortium of fire department-based EMS programs known as the UTSW/BioTel EMS System, spoke on “Alcoholism & Drug Addiction in the House of Medicine” with a focus on alcohol and drug addiction within the health professions; emphasizing the need for additional education and training; how to recognize warning signs and know what steps to take. Daphine Taylor, who has held the positions of Staff Pharmacist and Pharmacist in Charge in various large chain community pharmacies, selected the topic “A Pharmacist’s Opportunity to Educate” with a focus on recognizing and identifying different opioids, side effects and dosages; identifying mechanisms of action, overdose risks, and treatments; understand regulations and

impact on healthcare costs; achieving better clinical outcomes while decreasing potential for abuse. Dr. Taaka Cash, founder and Chief Executive Officer of Privy Oasis, presented “Dead Voices Can’t be Heard”, providing a focus on Mental health and substance abuse trends in Texas adolescents; the impact of stimulant meds on substance abuse; roles of health professionals in preventing substance abuse in adolescents; and appropriate follow up/management. There were 122 attendees from various disciplines, including Dentists, Residents and Health Professions students, Pharmacists, Nurses, Physicians and faculty members.

Support was also provided by: the Federation of State Medical Boards, Texas A&M University Center of Excellence, Texas A&M University College of Dentistry, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy, Metroplex Black Nurses Association, and Dallas County Medical Society.

# INFORMED

*The Opening Session of the 104th NDA Annual Convention set the stage for four days of learning, networking, partnering, sharing, building, and informing.*



Plenary sessions, interactive courses, hands-on exhibits, and energetic seminars provided a variety of opportunities for participants to increase their knowledge base.



# ENGAGED



***Proactive and Interactive dialogue was encouraged and practiced throughout the convention***

From rigorous courses to social events, engaging in collegial conversation was the norm across all genres, specialties, and professions.



# FOCUSED ON THE FUTURE



*What a pleasure it was to witness the SNDA attendance reach record heights! Congrats to the SNDA leadership team on a job well done.*



# Corporate Roundtable 20th Anniversary VIP Reception for Founding Members



President Greenlea Taylor welcomed our sponsors, speakers, leadership, and local committee members to a special VIP reception before the Opening Session.

# NDA/NDAA Past Presidents Breakfast



NDA and NDAA Past Presidents held their annual breakfast to identify and discuss strategies for continuing support of the professional via their respective organizations.

# National Dental Association Receives Top ASAE Honors for Its NDA-HEALTH NOW® Project



The National Dental Association (NDA) has earned a 2016 ASAE Power of A Silver Award for its NDA-HEALTH NOW® Project. The project is a national, community-based, grassroots health initiative launched in 2013.

“Congratulations to The National Dental Association and its partners for their hard work and for helping to make the world a better place,” said Sharon J. Swan, FASAE, CAE, Chief Executive Officer of the American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics and chair of the Power of A Awards Judging Committee. “Their initiative exemplifies how associations are a positive force in our everyday lives – not just to the profession or industry they represent, but to society at large.”

The NDA-HEALTH NOW® initiative provides resources and services to underserved communities and works to 1) increase health care access; 2) eliminate disparities; 3) increase health literacy and 4) promote prevention. NDA-HEALTH NOW® also features and promotes the interest of inter-professional health teams (including dentists, physicians, optometrists, nurses, dental assistants and physician assistants); partnerships with community organizations, academic institutions, faith-based en-

ties; and affiliations with community health centers, Federally Qualified Health Centers, schools and senior citizen communities. NDA-HEALTH NOW® leverages the time and efforts of health and non-health professional volunteers to promote the interests of dental, medical and vision care practitioners so that maximum benefit is received by patients in vulnerable and underserved communities.

NDA-HEALTH NOW® programs are active in Chicago, Dallas, New Orleans, New York, metro Washington, DC, Houston, Atlanta, and Oakland. Programs are forming in Detroit and Flint. The programs are inter-professional and multi-generational. Program development includes the identification of stakeholders, formation of national and local Advisory Committees, engagement of community partners, development of local leadership teams, and the formation of inter-professional health teams. Participation of academic institutions and student organizations are vital components as well as collaborations with students in dentistry, medicine, nursing, pharmacy, optometry and public health.

Key program elements include: 1) establishing referral networks for Medicaid and Medicare patients; 2) compiling resource directories of

providers and pharmacies; and 3) developing and disseminating culturally and linguistically appropriate integrated medical-dental messages.

“We are deeply honored to receive this prestigious 2016 ASAE Power of A Silver Award. It affirms we are upholding and continuing our mission to improve the quality of life in our communities through improving oral health equity,” said NDA President Dr. Judy Greenlea Taylor. “Our NDA-HEALTH NOW® Initiative continues to be a driving force bringing the healthcare workforce and community partners together in promoting prevention and access to care.”

Since its inception in 2013, NDA-HEALTH NOW® has provided Oral Health Education to 16,685 people, performed screenings and referrals for 9,534 people, and helped 5,350 children receive Fluoride Varnish applications.

ASAE’s Power of A Awards, the industry’s highest honor, recognize the association community’s valuable contributions on the local, national and global levels. The Power of A Awards reward outstanding accomplishments of associations and industry professionals for their efforts to enrich lives, create a competitive workforce, prepare society for the future, drive innovation and make a better world.

# Greater New York Dental Meeting International Diabetes Symposium Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 *Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, New York, NY*

## **DIABETES TEAMWORK: COLLABORATION, COORDINATION AND CONTROL**

*Presented by:*

**The National Dental Association**

**and in collaboration with Columbia University College of Dental Medicine**



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**Course: 2020**

**Tuition: \$195.00 (Students with ID are Free)**

**Recommended for: D, H, A, R, L, S**

**9:00 – 4:30**

**7 CEUs**

**Lunch is included**

**Moderator:** Hazel Harper, D.D.S., M.P.H., Washington, D.C.  
Past President, National Dental Association

Despite advances in health care and technology, Diabetes is on an upward spiral in the U.S. The concept of systems biology states that all body parts are interdependent and current research shows that the role of periodontal disease may have even more of an impact on overall health than previously thought. Diabetes is highly correlated with poor oral health and transcends many health disciplines. Some of the other health conditions associated with diabetes include obesity, high blood pressure and high cholesterol. Other risk factors include lack of exercise and depression. Because glaring disparities still exist in some population groups, the social determinants of health disparities are a major consideration in a team approach to coordinated patient care. Poverty and lack of health insurance present major barriers to care.

This unique program focuses on a team approach to patient care. The goal is to stem the tide of the Diabetic epidemic through collaboration and prevention. The symposium describes the roles and responsibilities of each health team member in providing patient-centered, coordinated care; close gaps in knowledge that are essential to communication and collaboration between health professionals; promote the development of strong health teams; and introduce cross-cutting ways to enhance the skills and efficacy of the inter-professional health team.

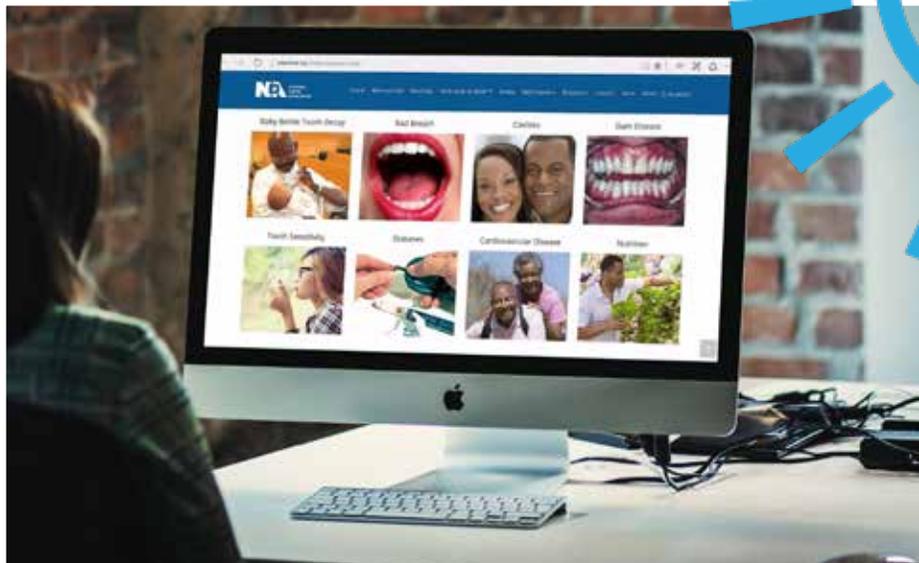
### **Learn:**

- recent trends in the disease progression
- current tests, methods and disease indicators
- different treatment options and common side effects of each drug class
- current research on impact of diet, nutrition and exercise
- reasons for non-adherence
- appropriate interventions to improve patient outcomes



**Presiding:** Ian M. Lerner, D.D.S., Brooklyn, NY  
Advisory Chairman, Greater New York Dental Meeting

# New Website Useable Information



The National Dental Association and Colgate Palmolive have partnered together for more than 25 years to help answer the needs of dental professionals and their patients. The Dental Education Center, our latest collaboration, offers shareable materials that may help you better communicate with your patients about common dental issues.

To utilize these informational pages from the NDA website, go to [www.ndaonline.org](http://www.ndaonline.org), click on the resources tab, click on the dental education center drop down, click on the corresponding tile below, then download/save the PDF to your computer. From there, open the PDF with the PDF viewer of your choice (i.e. Acrobat Reader) and you will be able to edit the contact fields and print the sheet out.

Visit: <http://www.ndaonline.org/dental-education-center/>



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# CAVITIES



Practice Name

Dr. Name Here

Phone

Web Address

**SAMPLE:**

Available Shareable Education Resources

Both children and adults are at risk of developing cavities, or tooth decay. Cavities are the result of poor oral hygiene and retained dental plaque on the tooth surface. Bacteria in plaque produce acid that destroys the tooth's enamel and its underlying layer the dentin, and can eventually reach the tooth's nerve.



White spots are the earliest stage of decay and is reversible



Left untreated, the area may continue to break down, resulting in early enamel decay



Restoring the tooth with a filling is often necessary



Infected pulp, or nerve, can cause an abscess, which can require root canal treatment

## WHAT CAN I DO TO PREVENT CAVITIES?

Take these simple steps to avoid the pain and consequences of cavities:

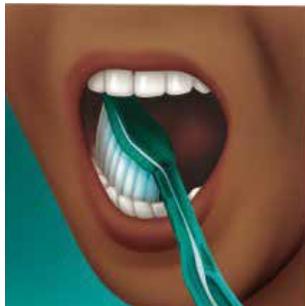
- Brush at least twice a day using a fluoride toothpaste, which strengthens teeth
- Floss at least once a day

- Use fluoride treatments or supplements as provided by your dentist
- Eat tooth-healthy foods such as fresh fruits, vegetables, cheese and other dairy products.
- Avoid sugary snacks and beverages

## THE RIGHT WAY TO BRUSH



Clean the outer surfaces of your upper teeth, then your lower teeth by brushing away from the gumline

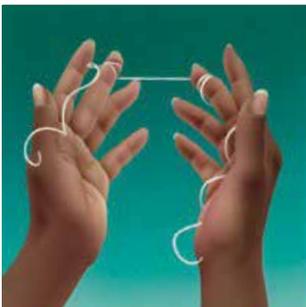


Clean the inside and chewing surfaces of your upper teeth, then your lower teeth using short back-and-forth strokes



Gently brush your tongue to remove odor-causing bacteria for fresher breath

## THE RIGHT WAY TO FLOSS



Use about 18 inches of floss, wrap around middle fingers, leaving an inch or 2 to work with



Holding floss taut, gently slide up and down between your teeth



Keep floss pressed against the tooth but never snap the floss against the gums

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# SNDA Rites of Passage

NDA President, Dr. Judy Greenlea Taylor was honored to preside over the "Pinning Ceremony" portion of the SNDA Rites of Passage.



Student participants were all smiles as they enjoyed informative courses, professional development opportunities, and entertaining networking events.

# COLGATE BSBF Chapter Awards



Dr. Marsha Butler, Colgate-Palmolive and Ms. Nicole Ari Parker, keynote speaker, presented chapter awards to Dr. Mordena Sullen, President, Georgia State Dental Society, and Dr. Steven Price, Robert T. Freeman Dental Society for their great work in the community.

# NDAF & Colgate Palmolive Faculty Awards

Congratulations to the 2016 Colgate-Palmolive Faculty Recognition Awards Winners: Dr. Sana Augustus (Teaching), far left; 2nd from the left, Dr. Flavia Pirih (Research), 2nd from the left; and Dr. Keith Mays (Administration and Service), far right.



# NDAF & Colgate Palmolive Scholarships

The National Dental Association Foundation and Colgate-Palmolive presented three lucky students with scholarships towards their dental school education.





# CIVIL RIGHTS LUNCHEON

*National Urban League President Marc Morial provided the keynote address, and television and screen actor Lamman Rucker served as Master of Ceremonies for the 50th Annual Simpkins-Smith Commemorative Civil Rights Luncheon.*



NDA President Dr. Judy Greenlea Taylor and local Civil Rights Committee chair, Dr. David Lamothe, presented NDA Civil Rights Awards to three civil rights icons: Ambassador Andrew Young (above), Reverend Dr. C.T. Vivian (right), and Dr. Walter Young (lower right).

# WHS Awards Luncheon

The Dr. Alison P. Riddle-Fletcher Women Dentist's Awards Luncheon honored four powerful women with Phenomenal Woman awards at the annual convention: Judge Penny Brown Reynolds - Community Leadership (right); Kathy N. Waller (Coca Cola) - Achievement & Leadership (clockwise, top right); The Honorable Karen Williams Weaver (Mayor, Flint, MI) - Courage (lower right); Marie Antoinette Wilson (Sunstar) - Corporate Excellence (below).



Family Fun Night was Movie Night, Karaoke, and Dancing all in one ... What a great time had by all! Thanks to Lamman Rucker for allowing us to pre-screen his movie, Service to Man, and sticking around for a little Q&A.

# Family Fun Night



# The Surgeon General's Call To End The Opioid Crisis

*"We, as clinicians, are uniquely positioned to turn the tide on the opioid epidemic."*

*– U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy*



**Arlene Lester, DDS, MPH,**  
Regional Minority Health Consultant (HHS-Region IV), Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Dear Fellow NDA Colleagues,**

**O**ur nation is in the midst of an unprecedented opioid epidemic. More people died from drug overdoses in 2014 than in any year on record, with greater than six out of ten deaths involving opioids—including prescription opioid pain relievers, heroin and synthetic opioids such as fentanyl.

As we look to inspire the frontline role of dental care professionals to combat the crisis, I am pleased to join the Office of the U.S. Surgeon General in promoting the TurnTheTideRx opioids campaign website at [www.TurnTheTideRx.org](http://www.TurnTheTideRx.org). The site provides a handy practitioner's pocket guide, access to free trainings, information on Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs and fact sheets to advise decision-making in prescribing opioids for pain management.

Accessible on mobile devices, one of the core features of the site is the health care professional's pledge. By Taking the Pledge, dental care professionals will join other health care professionals across the United States in showing their commitment to turning the tide on the opioid epidemic.

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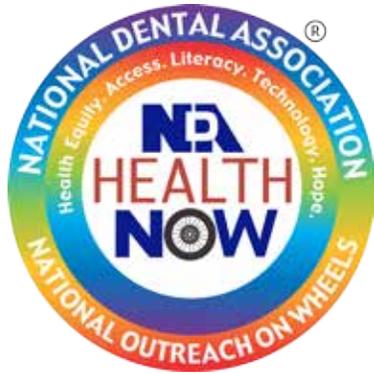
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## **NDA-HEALTH NOW - New Orleans® Partner Receives HRSA Grant Award for New Oral Health Program**

NDA-HEALTH NOW® is proud to announce that EXCELth, Incorporated, a Louisiana-based Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and partner of NDA-HEALTH NOW - New Orleans®, was awarded a HRSA Oral Health Expansion Grant Award, one of twelve grantees in Louisiana. “We are both excited and pleased that through these funds, EXCELth will be able to expand access by hiring additional dental personnel and expanding their mobile dental program,” says NDA Deputy Executive Director LaVette Henderson. Excelth also plans to increase service sites by providing care at senior centers, school based sites and expanding their own dental clinics to accommodate patients of other FQHCs. See the HRSA Press release below:

"Today, Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell announced nearly \$156 million in funding to support 420 health centers in 47 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico to increase access to integrated oral health care services and improve oral health outcomes for Health Center Program patients.

This funding enables health centers to expand integrated oral health care services and increase the number of patients served. With these awards from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), health centers across the country will increase their oral health service capacity by hiring approximately 1,600 new dentists, dental hygienists, assistants, aides, and technicians to treat nearly 785,000 new patients.

'Oral health is an important part of our overall physical health and well-being,' said Secretary Burwell. 'The funding we are awarding will reduce barriers to quality dental care for hundreds of thousands of Americans by bringing new oral health providers to health centers across the country.'

Oral health problems can be a sign of illness elsewhere in the body. Additionally, lack of access to preventive and routine dental care for underserved populations can result in dental conditions requiring more costly emergency dental treatment.

'HRSA will continue to explore ways to further integrate oral health services within primary care settings, and increase awareness of the connection between oral health and overall health,' said HRSA Acting Administrator Jim Macrae.

Today, nearly 1,400 health centers operate approximately 9,800 service delivery sites in every U.S. state, D.C., Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the Pacific Basin; these health centers employ more than 170,000 staff who provide care for nearly 23 million patients. In 2014, health centers employed over 3,700 dentists, more than 1,600 dental hygienists, and over 7,400 dental assistants, technicians and aides. They served about 4.7 million dental patients and provided nearly 12 million oral health visits."



# PRESIDENTS Gala

*The Infinity Show Band of Atlanta provided hours of amazing music for dancing and celebrating.*



*Dr. Judy Greenlea Taylor presided over a remarkable evening of fellowship, food, friends, and festivity.*

The evenings awardees were Dr. Madge Potts Williams (President's Award), Dr. Hugh V. McKnight (Special Recognition Award), Drs. Alfred Wyatt and Kim Turner (2016 Convention Committee Chair Award), and Drs. Hazel Harper Johns, Roy Irons, and Douglas Rucker (Life Member Award).





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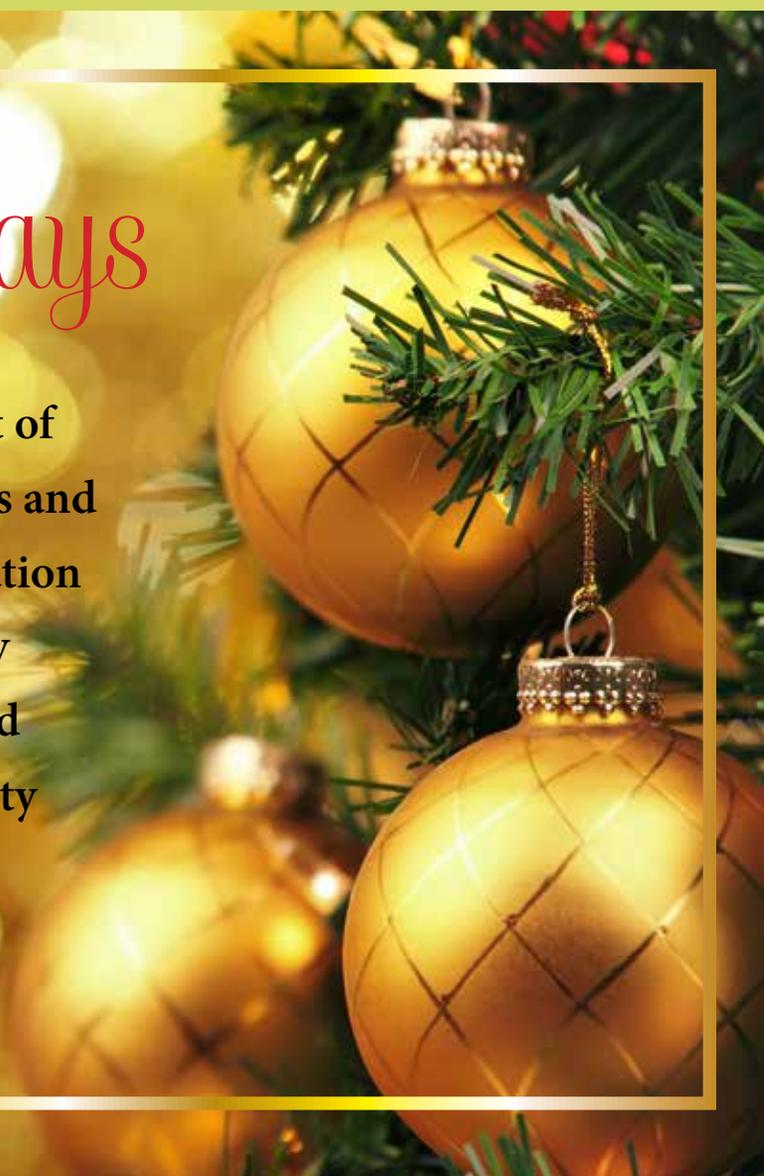
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*Saturday, November 19, 2016 @ 6:00pm*  
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- 2 "Diabetes Teamwork: Collaboration, Coordination and Control"**  
*Saturday, November 26, 2016 @ 9:00am-4:30pm*  
Greater New York Dental Meeting, Javits Center  
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