

NEWSLETTER

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Letter from DC Dental Society President Cheryle Baptiste, DDS, FICD, FIAMDI

Dear Members of the DC Dental Society,

As we step into October, I want to take a moment to recognize the many important observances this month brings, including National Dental Hygiene Month and Breast Cancer Awareness Month. These initiatives remind us of the vital role we play in promoting health and wellness in our communities. Additionally, we are in the midst of National Hispanic Heritage Month, which celebrates the rich cul-

Dr. Cheryle Baptiste

ture and contributions of the Hispanic community.

This month is also filled with meaningful dates that touch on various aspects of health and well-being. From World Smile Day on October 4 to World Mental Health Day on October 10, each observance provides us with opportunities to engage with our patients and promote awareness about essential health issues. Let's also take a moment to acknowledge Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, significant times for reflection and renewal within the Jewish community.

I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to those who were inducted as Fellows of the International College of Dentists last month in Nashville, TN. Your dedication and hard work in the field of dentistry are truly commendable.

A big thank you to the members of the Membership, Education, Public Policy Committees, and the Medicaid subcommittee for your tireless efforts in advancing our mission. Your contributions are invaluable to our society and the dental community at large. I am excited to share with you that DCDS is also forming a Wellness Committee. I invite you to get involved in your DC Dental Society by joining a committee and actively supporting our programs.

The evening of Wednesday, October 30, you have an opportunity to participate in a special activity for our soon-to-be fellow dentists at the Howard University College Dentistry. DCDS will host a series of mock interviews over Zoom for Howard D4 students. I hope that you will volunteer and help our local dental student burnish their interviewing skills as they prepare for their career after dental school.

Please email info@dcdental.org if you would like to volunteer for any of these opportunities.

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AMS Transition Update

Dear Members,

If you are experiencing difficulties signing-into the ADA/DCDS website, please note the following:

With the new ADA/DCDS website, you will need to enter your **email address** (not your ADA number). You will then be prompted to verify your email address and reset your password.

For further assistance, you can visit the Login FAQs.

If you are still experiencing issues after resetting your password, please email msc@ada.org for additional support.

LOGIN FAQ's

Letter from the President, Continued

On September 21, Mr. Kurt Gallagher and I had the pleasure of attending the Chesapeake Dental meeting in Hanover, MD. We enjoyed surveying the exhibit hall, connecting with the movers and shakers of the Maryland State Dental Society and attending a portion of their House of Delegates session.

I also want to recognize Dr. Charles Doring, a fellow dentist of the greater Washington region, for receiving an award at the Maimonides Dental Society meeting last month. Your achievements inspire us all!

I was honored to join the DCDS delegation at the ADA 4th District House of Delegates meeting in Wilmington, Delaware, on September 28. A special thank you to Dr. Katie Clark for her role as an ADA Wellness Ambassador, where she opened the session with a thoughtful invocation and actively engaged with ADA President-Elect candidates. I am grateful to Dr. Angela Noguera, Dr. Sally Cram, Dr. Clare McGorry, Dr. Patrick Grogan, and Mr. Kurt Gallagher for representing our society with such dedication.

As we look ahead, please mark your calendars for our upcoming DCDS continuing education_meetings:

- October 17: Nate Lawson, DMD, MA, PhD "Materials for Adhesive Dentistry" (Note: Thursday)
- November 14: Marc Leffler, DDS, Esq, MedPro "Dental Malpractice Risk Management: What it is and How to Prevent It; An Approach Based in Risk Management" (Note: Thursday)
- December 10: Gary Salman "Teeth, Tools and Technology: A Holistic Approach to Cybersecurity"

I also want to highlight several important upcoming events:

- American College of Dentists Annual Meeting and Convocation: October 16-17, 2024, in New Orleans.
- Smilecon®: October 17-19, 2024, in New Orleans.
- IDC-DC and ACD-Metro Joint Meeting: November 6, 2024.
- National Dental Association Presidential Inaugural Gala: November 23, 2024, at MGM National Harbor.
- Greater New York Dental Meeting: November 29 December 4, 2024.

As we move through this month, let's continue to support one another and engage in the meaningful work we do for our patients and communities. Wishing you all a wonderful October filled with smiles and good health!

Warm regards,

Cheryle Baptiste, DDS President 2024-2025

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Tuesday, October 17th Meeting (In-Person): "Materials for Adhesive Dentistry"

Presented by Dr. Nate Lawson

Business Meeting Begins at 5:45 PM

Education Program Begins at Approximately 6:00 PM

Lecture Format

CE Credits Offered: 2.0 CE Credits

Cost: Free to DCDS Members | Non-Members-\$75 Presentation Recording or \$110 In-Person

Disclosures: None

Session 1: Materials for Indirect Restorations



Dr. Nate Lawson

This lecture will discuss different types of ceramic materials used for indirect restorations, focusing mainly on the different generations of zirconia. Additionally, adhesive bonding to lithium disilicate and zirconia will be addressed. Finally, 3D printed restorative materials will be described briefly. Research presented in the lecture is mostly performed by presenter at UAB School of Dentistry.

Learning Objectives Session 1:

- Understand differences between clinical use for 3Y, 4Y, and 5Y zirconia
- Learn the steps for bonding zirconia and lithium disilicate
- Learn the current status of 3D printed crowns

Session 2: Materials for Direct Restorations

This course will discuss materials for performing posterior composite restorations. First, materials used as liners and pulp capping agents will be reviewed along with current research for their use. Then the different generations of bonding agents will be discussed along with the critical steps when bonding. Finally, research on the relevant properties of contemporary flowable and packable composites will be presented. Research presented in the lecture is mostly performed by presenter at UAB School of Dentistry.

Learning Objectives Session 2:

- Learn success rate of contemporary pulp capping materials and the steps to use them
- Learn which steps of bonding maximize bond strength
- Review the clinically relevant properties of contemporary dental composites

Visit the <u>DCDS Registration Fees & Cancellation Policy page</u> for more details on registration and <u>read about the presenter here.</u>

Register Here

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Volunteers Needed

The DC Dental Society is seeking dedicated volunteers to serve on several of our key committees. This is a great opportunity to get involved, contribute to the future of our organization, and collaborate with fellow members. We are currently looking for volunteers to serve on the following committees:

- Education Committee
- Membership Committee
- Public Policy Committee
- Wellness Committee (Newly created!)

If you're passionate about shaping the direction of our Society and would like to volunteer your time and expertise, we encourage you to apply!

For more information or to express your interest, please email us at <u>info@dcdental.org</u>.

DCDS is organizing a series of mock interviews for D4 students of the Howard University College of Dentistry. The mock interviews will be conducted via ZOOM on Wed., Oct. 30.

Please sign up to participate via button below and help our local dental students prepare for their post-doctoral transition.

Volunteer for the Mock Interviews

Fall 2024 Continuing Education Presentations

Our monthly meetings are a fantastic opportunity for members to network, enjoy a meal together, and earn continuing education credits. And they're free for all members!

Monthly business meetings begin at 5:45 p.m. Educational session begins at approximately 6:00 p.m. <u>Visit the DCDS website</u> for course information, speaker bios, fees and cancellation policy.

Meeting Date	Meeting Topic	Speaker	
October 17	Materials for Adhesive Dentistry	Dr. Nate Lawson	
November 14	Dental Malpractice: What It Is And How To Prevent It; An Approach Based In Risk Management	Dr. Marc Leffler	
December 10	Teeth, Tools and Technology: A Holistic Approach to Cybersecurity	Mr. Gary Salman	

Missed Watching a Meeting Recording?

Members who have registered for CE meetings may access the meeting recordings via this link. Login is required.

About DCDS Speakers

Your DC Dental Society has developed a continuing education program that features leading experts in dental care whether they practice across the country or down the street. The inclusion of local presenters on the program for DCDS monthly meetings is intended to foster collegiality and support our local community. DCDS does not endorse one specialist over another, but celebrates D.C. talent.

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Wed., October 16th at 9 AM

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ADA Morning Huddle, September 30, 2024

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Full story: When patients don't respond to primary endodontic procedures

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ADA Morning Huddle, October 3, 2024

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