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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP AND CHAPTERS

TAKING DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION TO THE FRONT AND CENTER STAGE

It was an exciting time for AAWD this month as 3 current and one past board member were featured on the ADA's Diversity and Inclusion Committee meeting. They were current President- Dr. Lauren Aguilar, Immediate Past President- Dr. Daphne Ferguson-Young, 2014 Past President- Dr. Tawana Wares, and current AAWD Director of Membership and ADA 1st Vice President- Dr. Maria Maranga. The ADA's D&I committee as it is called, meets frequently by zoom to discuss where we've been, where we are and where we would like to be in the very near future in relationship to diversity efforts across the tripartite of the ADA as we seek common ground. Leaders from a variety of organizations are represented on each call to discuss how their groups view efforts by the ADA to promote through strategic means, increasing the pipeline of underrepresented minorities in the dental profession. The 2022 Diversity Summit Presidents Group offer guidance to the true stories of barriers in the dental profession. The 2021 ADA House of Delegates resolution 90H resolved that an ADA Task Force be convened by the ADA President to explore the current barriers for entry into the dental profession by underrepresented populations. This is important for future growth of each of the represented organizations, including AAWD.

A current objective of this 2022 Summit is: Collaborate with other dental associations and industry stakeholders to help advance the health of the public. AAWD is very familiar with this as we have our own philanthropic arm- Smiles for Success. Many of our own AAWD members act as volunteer dentists who donate their time and dental expertise to truly improve the smiles of women around the country. If you have time or want to offer resources, contact us at headquarters or Dr. Lauren Aguilar directly. You will certainly get more than you give, I promise you.

Dr Maria Maranga



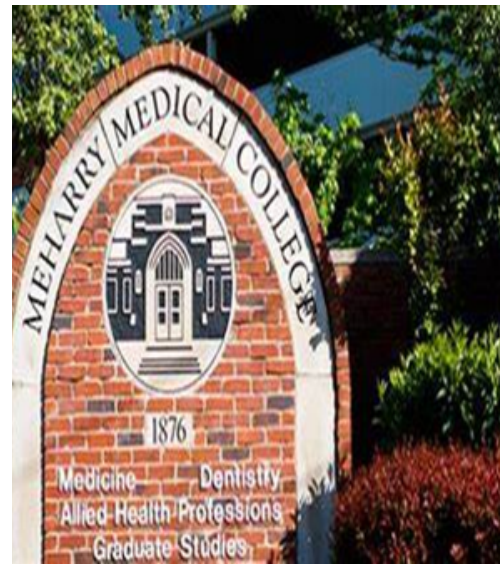
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American Association of Women Dentists' 100th anniversary shows strength in...

The venerable American Association of Women Dentists recently celebrated its 100th anniversary of helping female dental professionals of all stripes



The Importance of Viable Professional Development Programs For Women Junior Faculty

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Known for its mission of service to the underserved, Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry has served as a beacon in the city of Nashville for nearly 150 years. From community events including “Oral Health Day”, which provides free oral health care for hundreds of uninsured and underserved individuals in the Nashville community, to the “Adopt-A-Grandparent Program” that pairs a clinical dental student with a senior member of the community in need of dentures, the Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry has a plethora of programs that seek to uphold the mission of the College: Service to the Underserved.

As a 2010 graduate of Meharry School of Dentistry (SOD), and current a faculty member in the Department of Dental Public Health and active member of the AAWD, I’ve found myself (as many of you) constantly seeking for a means to provide service to the underserved beyond the clinic walls. One such pathway has been the Deans Scholar Program which has been in existence since 2007, SOD. Through encouragement from my former Chair, Dr. Jacinta Leavell, as well as being selected for the program by the SOD Dean, Dr. Cherae Farmer-Dixon, I became immersed in educational leadership programs including the Academy of Academic Leadership (AAL) and the Teachers Professional Leadership Opportunity that provide educational strategies that allow for participant engagement while attending courses both in-person and virtually.

However, the component of the Deans Scholar Professional Development Program that has allowed me to be of greatest service to faculty, students, and the community has been admittance and participation in the University of Rochester/Jacoby Medical Center Dental Public Health Residency Program. As both a junior faculty and a resident, I am afforded the opportunity to further my education in the field of dental public health, build upon knowledge learned and educate the next generation of oral health care professionals. A viable component of this residency program is the opportunity to complete research projects that focus on service to the underserved both clinically and virtually using teledentistry.

Women junior faculty in dental academia play a vital role in educating faculty, staff, students, and patients through the use of viable institutional professional development programs. We must educate ourselves and pass the baton to the next generation of dentists to make a powerful impact within our communities. Hats off to all the incredible women junior faculty in dental academia who are making a difference globally!



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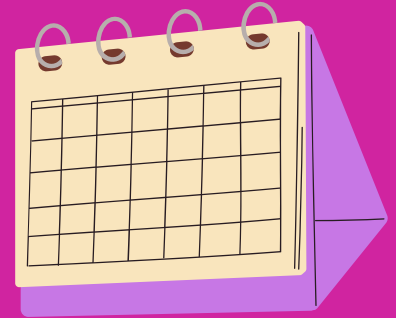
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presenting
WOMEN'S SYMPOSIUM
MAKING HISTORY HER story
A day for women in healthcare to amplify their voices and share their stories.
KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Fatima Robertson, D.D.S.
Panelists
LEANOR FLEMING PHD, DDS, MPH, FICD
COURTNEY BREWER MD
J'NELLE DELICA DMD, MPH
MONICA WHEELER DDS
EVENT BEGINS AT 10:00AM CST VIA ZOOM

This year's theme "Making Her Story" amplifies the voices and stories of professional women in healthcare. The event will provide working knowledge of health, societal, and cultural topics presented by female experts and business leaders.

The keynote speaker this year is Dr. Fatima Robertson, DDS. There will also be a panel discussion with female professionals in medicine, dentistry, and graduate studies. Stay tuned throughout the event for giveaway prizes! See event website for more details!



MARCH

Women's History Month

- 6: National Dentist's Day
- 8: International Women's Day
- 17-19: Hinman Dental Meeting
- 19-22: ADEA Meeting
- 20-22: Lobby Day
- 20: First Day of Spring
- 31: Eleanor Bushee Award Deadline

APRIL

National Volunteer Month

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Oral Cancer Awareness Month

- 1: Lucy Hobbs Taylor Award Opens
- 2: Ramadan Begins
- 7: World Health Day
- 15: Passover Begins
- 22: Earth Day
- 28: Take your daughter to work day

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