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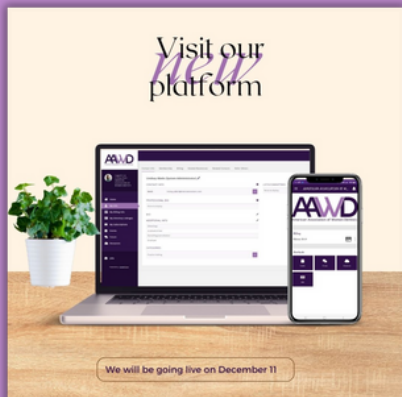
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2024 AAWD Annual Conference
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AAWD 2024 graduates

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Welcome Summer and Celebrate Recent Graduates with AAWD!

As the warmth of summer begins to envelop us, it brings with it a season of celebration and new beginnings. Many recent dental school graduates are stepping into the next exciting phase of their careers. This period is not just about basking in the well-deserved glory of academic achievements but also about embracing the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead in the dental profession.

The American Association of Women Dentists (AAWD) extends heartfelt congratulations to all the new graduates. Your dedication, hard work, and perseverance have paid off, and now you stand at the threshold of a fulfilling career. As you transition from student to professional, AAWD is here to support and guide you every step of the way.

Take advantage of "Early Career Dentist" Membership

Understanding the unique needs of newly minted dentists, AAWD offers an exclusive "Early Career Dentist" membership level. This membership is specifically designed for dentists who are within two years of their graduation or those enrolled in a residency or post-doctoral program. The early years of practice are pivotal, filled with both excitement and challenges. AAWD's Early Career Dentist membership aims to provide the resources, support, and community necessary to navigate this crucial period successfully.

Membership in AAWD offers numerous benefits that can significantly enhance both your personal and professional development.

- **Professional Development:** Access a wealth of resources including continuing education opportunities, webinars, and workshops that are tailored to keep you abreast of the latest advancements in dentistry. These resources are invaluable in helping you stay competitive and competent in your practice.

- **Networking Opportunities:** AAWD connects you with a nationwide network of women dentists. This community is a treasure trove of knowledge and experience, providing you with the chance to learn from seasoned professionals and share experiences with peers who understand the unique challenges faced by women in dentistry.
- **Mentorship Program:** One of the most exciting upcoming opportunities at AAWD is our actively developing mentorship program. Recognizing the importance of guidance in the early stages of one's career, this program aims to pair early career dentists with experienced mentors. These mentors will offer insights, advice, and support, helping mentees to navigate the complexities of their new professional environment.
- **Advocacy and Support:** AAWD is committed to advocating for the interests of women dentists at both the local and national levels. As a member, you'll be part of an organization that champions the issues important to you, from workplace equity to professional recognition.
- **Community and Belonging:** Beyond professional support, AAWD provides a sense of community and belonging. The friendships and connections you build here can offer support, encouragement, and camaraderie that enrich both your personal and professional life.

Join Us and Thrive

AAWD is more than just a professional organization; it's a supportive community dedicated to empowering women in dentistry. By maintaining membership, you invest in your future, ensuring you have the tools, support, and network needed to thrive in your career.

Congratulations once again to all the new graduates! Together, we can achieve great things and continue to advance the field of dentistry with passion and excellence.

For more information on membership and the mentorship program, visit our website or contact our membership office. We look forward to welcoming you to AAWD and supporting you on your professional journey.

Texas A&M SoD Empowers Women in Dentistry



On April 27th, the Texas A&M School of Dentistry chapter hosted EMPOWER: Women in Dentistry. Dr. Isabel Rambob, the esteemed president of the AAWD, delivered the keynote "Heels of Power". Following that, a panel moderated by Dr. Ane Poly explored private practice and academia paths where Dr. Sakina Khambaty (general dentist and practice owner) and Dr. Janna Burnett (full-time faculty) shared their diverse experiences and perspectives. Finally, Dean Lily Garcia delivered a thought-provoking presentation highlighting her personal journey and emphasizing the importance of perseverance and determination. The event celebrated dentistry's empowerment, diversity, and excellence, leaving a profound impact.

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Transforming Dentistry by Artificial Intelligence and Advanced Dental Technologies

Artificial Intelligence (AI) can assist dental providers with valuable information that can be used in real time and increase clinicians' ability to measure the effectiveness of different treatment modalities. Currently, the application of AI is becoming a reality and part of day-to-day human life and significant developments related to its applications in Dentistry have taken place in various areas like: Practice management, Diagnosis and treatment planning, Restorative dentistry (aligner design, restoration design, automated quality control, and shade matching), Orthodontic tracking, and much more.

Since detection and diagnosis of dental decay, periodontal disease, and related treatment can be subjective, the use of AI can fill the void of inaccuracies and potentially standardize dental treatment. As a result, diagnoses can be more accurate and treatment planning can be more precise.

This course teaches what every dentist should know about Artificial Intelligence and advanced technologies in dentistry. Participants will get a basic introduction and explore how AI is already being used, and its impact on dentistry, as well as its potential and what they can do with the technology.



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Empowering Women Dentists: Mastering Leadership, Leveraging Systems, and Building Time Freedom



Dr. Anissa Holmes

Join us for an empowering session tailored for women dentists striving to balance professional success with being present for their families. Led by Dr. Anissa Holmes, an esteemed educator in the dental community, this presentation offers a transformative journey towards mastering leadership, leveraging systems, and achieving time freedom in your dental practice.

Discover how to develop strong leadership skills that guide your practice towards sustainability and success. Explore the mastery of systems and processes essential for driving efficiency and profitability while maintaining exceptional patient care standards. Gain valuable insights into increasing EBITA (earnings before interest, taxes, and amortization) through strategic practice management and revenue optimization techniques. Explore innovative approaches for building a high-performing team of leaders within your practice. Learn how to foster a culture of accountability and empowerment, freeing up your time to focus on strategic growth initiatives and personal pursuits outside of dentistry.

Whether you're a seasoned practitioner or new to the field, this session equips you with practical strategies and actionable insights to achieve practice success while maintaining a fulfilling personal life

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Bird registration ends June 17, 2024](#)

Welcome New Members!

AAWD is Growing! Say hello to our newest members!

Laura Ibarrola
Christina Xu
Dr. Tanya DeSanto
Dr. Laura Asbill
Dr. Natalia Hardgrave
Lindsay Hannah
Shelby Ferebee
Dr. Jordan Hubbard

Eberechukwu Nwade
Dr. Michele Tulak-Gorecki
Phyllicia Hemphill
Dr. Diana Vasylykevych
Dr. Tracey Christian
Dr. Katelyn Malchester
Vinita Murthy

National Smile Month

Get ready to spread some joy because it's National Smile Month! This special month-long celebration is all about the power of smiles and the importance of good oral health. Here's why we're so excited:

- 1- Smiles are contagious: Did you know that smiles are scientifically proven to be contagious? Spread some happiness by sharing your brightest smile!
- 2- Healthy habits: National Smile Month is the perfect opportunity to recommit to your oral health routine.
- 3- Spreading positivity: In a world that can sometimes feel heavy, a simple smile can make a world of difference. Let's spread positivity and kindness wherever we go, one smile at a time.
- 4- Celebrating diversity: Every smile is unique and beautiful in its own way. Let's celebrate the diversity of smiles and embrace the beauty of our differences.



Join us as we celebrate National Smile Month and let's make the world a brighter, happier place—one smile at a time!

Upcoming Events

JUNE

Pride Month

- 2: I Love My Dentist Day
- 17: End of National Smile Month
- 19: Juneteenth
- 26: National Toothbrush Day

July

- 1-7: Write a Letter Appreciation Week
- 4: Independence Day
- 24: International Self Care Day

We want to hear from you! What events would you like to see AAWD host? [Click here to share your feedback!](#)

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