

AGENDA
ILLINOIS STATE DENTAL SOCIETY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
DECEMBER 7 & 8, 2023 - SPRINGFIELD, IL
1:00pm call to order on December 7
9:15am call to order on December 8

CALL TO ORDER	
Call to Order by Dr. Richard Bona, President, 1:00pm, Thursday, December 7, 2023	
Members: Drs. Richard Bona (President), Mike Danner (President-elect), John Kozal (Vice President), Douglas Chang (Treasurer), Paul Palliser (Secretary) and Trustees Satish Alapati, James Bryniarski, Christopher Couri, Jason Guerrero, Marcia Hardy, Mahmoud Jallad, Richard Leyba, Jon Nickelsen, Sharon Perlman, Jennifer Pritts, Donald Rastede, Cynthia Sachs, Ronald Waryjas, Benjamin Youel, Keith Evans (Trustee at Large), Dr. Jacqueline Hassenplug (New Dentist Chair) and Dr. Chad Reedy (Speaker)	
INVITED GUESTS AND ISDS STAFF	
Invited Guests: Drs. Lawrence White (Vice Speaker of the House), Randall Markarian, (ADA Trustee)	
ISDS Staff: Eric Larson, Executive Director; Nic Atkinson, Director of Finance; Jennifer Walker, Communications Director/ISDS Foundation Executive Director; Lindsay Wagahoff, Director of Governmental Affairs, Tara Conway, Executive Assistant, Mattea Tavernor, Conventions & Continuing Education Manager and Gracie Tierney, Membership Marketing Manager	
ISDS DISCLOSURE POLICY	
In accordance with the ISDS Conflict of Interest Policy, at this time anyone present at this meeting is obligated to disclose any personal, professional or business relationship that they or their immediate family may have with a company, professional organization or individual doing business with the ISDS, when such company, professional organization or person is being discussed. This includes, but is not limited to insurance companies, sponsors, exhibitors, vendors and contractors.	

NOTE: Consent items are marked with a CC and will remain on consent unless pulled by a Board Member.

I. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS				
A		Opening Remarks	Informational	Dr. Richard Bona
B		Approval of Agenda	Action	Dr. Richard Bona
C		Approval of Minutes		Dr. Richard Bona
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOT meeting – Sep 21, 2023 	Action	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOT meeting – Sep 23, 2023 	Action	
II. REPORTS				
A		Executive Director	Informational	Mr. Eric Larson

B	CC	Officers		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> President 	Informational	Dr. Richard Bona
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> President-Elect 	Informational	Dr. Michael Danner
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice President 	Informational	Dr. John Kozal
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer 	Informational	Dr. Douglas Chang
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secretary 	Informational	Dr. Paul Palliser
C	CC	Trustees	Informational	Trustees
D		ADA Trustee	Informational	Dr. Randall Markarian
E		Committees of the Board		
	CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee on Committees 	Action	Dr. Michael Danner
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Committee – Oct. 25, 2023 	Informational	Dr. Richard Bona
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Committee – Nov. 15, 2023 	Action	Dr. Richard Bona
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Committee – closed session 	Informational	Dr. Richard Bona
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee on Policy & Structure 	No Report	Drs. Satish Alapati & Sharon Perlman
F		Standing Committees		
	CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to Care 	Informational	Dr. Jason Guerrero
	CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Session 	Informational	Dr. Richard Bona
	CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communications 	Informational	Dr. Jennifer Pritts
	CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dental Benefits and Practice 	Informational	Dr. Keith Evans
	CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dental Education 	Informational	Dr. James Bryniarski
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diversity, Equity & Inclusion 	Informational	Dr. Cynthia Sachs
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governmental Affairs 	Action	Dr. Jon Nickelsen
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member Services 	Informational	Dr. Richard Leyba
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership 	Informational	Dr. Donald Rastede
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Dentist & Leadership Development 	Action	Dr. Benjamin Youel
G		Special Committees/Task Forces		
	CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expanded Function Dental Assistant Training 	Informational	Ms. Lindsay Wagahoff
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Session Task Force 	Informational	Dr. Richard Bona
H	CC	ISDS Foundation	Informational	Ms. Jennifer Walker
III. NEW BUSINESS				

A		Membership Book	Informational	Dr. Paul Palliser
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IV. MISCELLANEOUS				
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A		Transfer of Powers	Action	Dr. Richard Bona
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V. ADJOURNMENT				
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A		Meeting Adjournment	Action	Dr. Richard Bona
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**ISDS Board of Trustees Meeting
September 21, 2023
Board Meeting held at Annual Session
Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield, IL**

The ISDS Board of Trustees met in-person on Thursday, September 21, 2023. In attendance were all officers and trustees except Dr. Satish Alapati. Also in attendance were Drs. Chad Reedy, Speaker of the House; Lawrence White, Vice Speaker; Randall Markarian, ADA 8th District Trustee; and ISDS staff Eric Larson, Executive Director; Nic Atkinson, Finance Director; Jennifer Walker, Communications Director and Executive Director of the ISDS Foundation; Lindsay Wagahoff, Director Governmental Affairs; Gracie Tierney, Membership Marketing Manager, Mattea Tavernor, Conventions and Education Manager and Tara Conway, Executive Assistant.

Other guests present were incoming trustees, Drs. Christopher Couri, Marcia Hardy, Sharon Perlman and Benjamin Youel.

President Kenneth Rawson called the meeting to order at 8:01am.

Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Rawson welcomed everyone and thanked them for traveling to Springfield for the Annual Session. He introduced the incoming Board members and attending staff members.

Disclosure Policy / Conflict of Interest

Dr. Rawson read the ISDS disclosure policy contained on the agenda and clarified board members only need to disclose a conflict when it pertains to a topic being discussed during the meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Dr. Rawson asked if anyone would like to pull any items off of consent and there were no requests. Dr. Waryjas motioned to approve the agenda, Dr. Van Scoyoc seconded and the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Waryjas motioned to approve the June 2023 minutes as submitted, Dr. Nickelsen seconded and the minutes were approved via unanimous consent.

Dr. Bona motioned to approve the August 2023 minutes as submitted, Dr. Zelazo-Smith seconded and the minutes were approved via unanimous consent.

Reports

Executive Director

A written report was submitted

Mr. Larson welcomed all of the incoming trustees and expressed his excitement about their upcoming terms. He also recognized all outgoing trustees and thanked them individually for their service. Mr. Larson thanked Dr. Rawson for his leadership over the past year and theme of mentorship. Mr. Larson recognized Dr. Rawson's practicing servant leadership while President, particularly empowering others and putting others first and in the best interest of the association.

Mr. Larson announced that our current headquarters building is no longer under contract, so it is back on the market now. The staff will still move to the new building in November.

Next week we will offer a special webinar regarding the new paid time off law going into effect in January 2024. It will be free for members. We have had a lot of questions so we are hoping this will answer those.

Mr. Larson mentioned how the credentialing process at the House of Delegates will be more complicated this year, so he asked all of the trustees to be present and help when needed.

Mr. Larson recognized Ms. Wagahoff's promotion to Director Government Relations and thanked her for her work this summer on some extraordinary issues that have come up recently.

Mr. Larson mentioned the excitement and positive momentum that the association has built over the past year. After being disrupted by the pandemic, there was much more normalcy over the past year, which allowed the opportunity to really advance on the strategic plan and establish a new one at the 2023 June strategic planning session. Mr. Larson indicated excitement around starting to integrate more forward-facing board meetings, which will be a trial and error process, but important to be more proactive and preemptive for the benefit of our membership.

ADA 8th District Trustee

A written report was submitted

Dr. Markarian shared that his first grandchild, a girl, was born this week!

Dr. Markarian shared his excitement about the leadership coming out of Illinois. He stressed the importance of that within the tripartite, which is the most important thing. He reviewed the resolution that California was considering that would make ADA membership optional. After discussion, the California Dental Association board decided not to move forward with the resolution and withdrew it. Dr. Markarian asked all trustees to let him know what it is they wish the ADA would do for them, and that there are likely resources already available through the ADA that members are not aware of.

Dr. Markarian reviewed key ADA initiatives and what a pivotal year 2024 will be for the ADA and tripartite, including:

- New membership model is in the process of being finalized and, although we do not know exactly what it will look like yet, it will be rolled out for 2025.
- ADA dues are proposed to be reduced by 5%, or \$30, for 2024.
- New software; Fonteva/Salesforce, rolling out next summer
- Improved member app

CC – Committee on Committees

No report

CC – Executive Committee

No report

CC – Committee on Policy & Structure

No report

Access to Care

A written report was submitted

Dr. Guerrero reviewed the content of the Committee meeting in August. He pointed out that, because of a conflict with the National Oral Health Conference, the Committee discussed changing the Access to Care meeting to a virtual meeting.

Dr. Simon explained the benefits of the National Oral Health Conference. Dr. Simon then motioned that the funds allocated for the Access to Care Conference be used to pay for members to attend the National Oral Health Conference in 2024. Dr. Jallad seconded. Mr. Atkinson said that there is \$9,250 budgeted for the Access to Care meeting. After discussion, Dr. Simon withdrew his motion. **Dr. Simon then moved to review the funding and repurpose for sending people to the meeting. Dr. Waryjas seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Dr. Guerrero moved the following recommendation:

Access to Care Committee recommends to the board to convert the 2024 Access to Care Conference to a virtual conference. The recommendation passed via unanimous consent.

CC – Annual Session

A written report was submitted

Communications

A written report was submitted

Dr. Van Scoyoc reviewed the recent meeting and gave kudos to the media training.

Ms. Walker highlighted the oral cancer video. The change in opt-in for the Illinois Dental News is on course to save approximately \$40,000 this year. The committee discussed the low participation in the Veterans Salute Program and decided to do away with publicizing a do-it-yourself event with an ISDS toolkit. ISDS will now highlight dentists around the state who provide services to veterans.

CC – Dental Benefits and Practice

A written report was submitted

CC – Dental Education

A written report was submitted

CC – Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

A written report was submitted

Governmental Affairs

A written report was submitted.

Dr. Nickelsen asked Ms. Wagahoff to give the verbal report.

Ms. Wagahoff explained that this summer was very busy. All four of our bills were signed into law and will come into effect on January 1, 2024.

ISDS received two SPA grants in 2023, which is how ISDS is contracting with Meredith Krantz for the More for Your Smile campaign and other public relations efforts. The More for Your Smile campaign, which is centered around dental insurance reform, is receiving national attention and is being replicated in other states.

Ms. Wagahoff explained that ISDS was contacted by Senator Dick Durbin's office regarding access to care for dental Medicaid patients and the lack of providers enrolled in the program. ISDS is working with

the ADA lobbying team to draft a response. ISDS pointed out that Illinois has the lowest reimbursement rates in the country for pediatric dental care. Senator Durbin is very interested in this issue, so ISDS will be working with him to address these circumstances. More to come, stay tuned.

Licensing delays have become a big issue as of late. This was highlighted this summer after a change was made to the expiration date of faculty restricted licenses last year, which the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) did not update their license software to reflect. As a result, individuals with this license type were showing as expired and applications were not being timely processed. Temporary training licenses were delayed and some students were potentially going to face additional time in their graduate programs to comply with the Commission on Dental Accreditation standards. Ms. Wagahoff explained that ISDS worked with IDFPR on these licenses, and they have been rectified for the short term. We now need to fix this long term, especially with 2024 being a license renewal year. Ms. Wagahoff will be testifying in Chicago about this issue next week, along with Dr. Bradford Johnson from UIC.

Dr. Chang asked that information about this issue needs to be pushed out to our members. After discussion, the group agreed that this information will be included in the upcoming talking points.

ISDS is anticipating that IDFPR will be changing some of the sedation permit requirements to obtain Permit A via the rule-making processing. ISDS has formed a group to review the proposed rule, once it is filed, that will include Drs. Rawson, Ursitti, and Laverdiere-Beck.

Member Services

A written report was submitted

Dr. Leyba reported that the Committee recently met and has four recommendations for today. He also stated that ISDS continues to work with IDS and strengthen the relationship. ISDS has seen an approximate 20% increase in revenues from this group year over year. ISDS has also signed an endorsement agreement with TDIC to offer a health insurance solutions. Best Card has had a 22% growth in revenue year over year, and ProSites has also seen significant growth. Overall, 2023 looks to be a year of solid growth from a royalty perspective.

Dr. Leyba moved the following recommendations:

- 1. The Member Services Committee recommends that ISDS endorse iCore Connect to provide members a solution to be in compliance with the e-prescription laws.**
Dr. Bryniarski seconded and the recommendation passed via unanimous consent.
- 2. The Member Services Committee recommends that ISDS end its endorsement with UBS for financial services and allow the current participants a reasonable amount of time to exit the plan.**
Dr. Kozal seconded and the recommendation passed via unanimous consent.
- 3. The Member Services Committee recommends that ISDS endorse Merrill Lynch for 401(k) services.**
Dr. Jallad seconded and the recommendation passed via unanimous consent.
- 4. The Member Services Committee recommends that ISDS offer discounted online therapy from Better Help as a member benefit.**
Dr. Chang seconded and the recommendation passed via unanimous consent.

CC – Membership

A written report was submitted

CC – New Dentist & Leadership Development

A written report was submitted

CC – Expanded Function Dental Assistant Task Force

A written report was submitted

CC – ISDS Foundation

A written report was submitted

New Business

Finalize Strategic Plan

A written report was submitted.

Mr. Larson explained that the report is intended, not only to finalize the plan, but to also give the new trustees some background and explanation of how the strategic plan process came about.

After discussion, Dr. Waryjas moved that we accept and implement the strategic plan as laid out by our facilitator in the attached document. Seconded by Chang. Passed unanimously.

Resolution for the Deadline Change for Election of Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the ISDS House of Delegates – Res. #9

Dr. Chang moved that the Board recommend adoption of this resolution at the HOD. Dr. Waryjas seconded and it passed unanimously.

Resolution for Honorary Membership for Dave Marsh – Res. #10

Dr. Zelazo-Smith moved that the Board recommend adoption of this resolution at the HOD. Dr. Van Scoyoc seconded and it passed unanimously.

Trustee Resolution Assignments

Dr. Rawson explained that he would like to pre-assign a representative from the Board to answer questions on the resolutions that may come up during the House of Delegates meeting. The group discussed and decided on the following assignments:

Milt Salzer – anyone

Conflict of Interest – Dr. Bona

Mid-Level Provider Report – Dr. Simon

2024 Budget – Dr. Waryjas

2024 Dues – anyone

Mid-Level Resolution – Dr. Simon

Campaign Conducts – Dr. Rawson

Deadline Change – Dr. Van Scoyoc

Dave Marsh – anyone

Danville District – Dr. Hardy

TRANSFER OF POWERS

The Board voted to transfer the powers to the Executive Committee.

BOARD CLOSING STATEMENT

The board closing statement was read.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55am.

**ISDS Board of Trustees Meeting
September 23, 2023
Board Meeting held at Annual Session
Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield, IL**

The ISDS Board of Trustees met in-person on Saturday, September 23, 2023. In attendance were all officers and trustees except Drs. Satish Alapati and Jacqueline Hassenplug. Also in attendance were Drs. Chad Reedy, Speaker of the House; Lawrence White, Vice Speaker; and ISDS staff Eric Larson, Executive Director; Nic Atkinson, Finance Director; Jennifer Walker, Communications Director and Executive Director of the ISDS Foundation; Lindsay Wagahoff, Director Governmental Affairs; Mattea Tavernor, Conventions and Education Manager and Tara Conway, Executive Assistant.

President Richard Bona called the meeting to order at 3:15pm.

Disclosure Policy / Conflict of Interest

Dr. Bona read the ISDS disclosure policy contained on the agenda and clarified board members only need to disclose a conflict when it pertains to a topic being discussed during the meeting.

Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Bona welcomed everyone to his first meeting as President and thanked them for coming. He introduced the incoming Board members and attending staff members.

Approval of Agenda

Dr. Bona asked if anyone would like to pull any items off of consent and there were no requests. Dr. Waryjas motioned to approve the agenda, Dr. Bryniarski seconded and the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Approval of Minutes

None

Review of Master Calendar

Dr. Bona and Mr. Larson reviewed the calendar that was sent out with the packet. They asked that each trustee put the meetings on their calendar and plan their schedules so that they can attend all required meetings.

Reports

None

New Business

2023 – 2024 Board Committee and Liaison Appointments and CDS Branch Assignments

A written report was submitted.

Dr. Bona and Mr. Larson explained the liaison roles and expectations to the new trustees. Mr. Larson said that moving forward, we hope to spend less time talking about things that have happened in the past at board meetings and focus on looking forward. Because of that, more reports are anticipated to be on consent and the expectation is that submitted reports are read ahead of time by the board members.

PNC Account Signers

Dr. Jallad moved to approve Dr. Richard Bona and Dr. Douglas Chang as account signers in their new roles as President and Treasurer. Dr. Couri seconded and it passed unanimously.

Referral/Action from 2023 HOD

There was nothing that came from the HOD this year.

Annual Session Task Force

Mr. Larson and Dr. Bona explained that, as part of the strategic plan recently approved, the board agreed that it needs to look at Annual Session events as a whole. The board agreed that it would be beneficial to form a task force to look at the event and make any recommendations for changes.

After discussion, Dr. Waryjas moved to allow Dr. Bona to appoint a task force to look at the whole picture of Annual Session to try to gain more attendance and make it more efficient. Dr. Danner seconded and it passed unanimously.

Increased Participation with Dental Schools

Dr. Bona indicated he would like to work with the dental schools to increase recruitment as well as present to them on subjects such as our legislative agenda. ISDS needs to explain how important organized dentistry will be to the students' future.

Dr. Youel explained that ADA will provide success seminars for free. The school will pay for a speaker to come in and speak to the students.

The group shared other ideas about how to reach students. Dr. Bona said that this will be a focus of his this year.

TRANSFER OF POWERS

The Board voted to transfer the powers to the Executive Committee.

BOARD CLOSING STATEMENT

The board closing statement was read.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:46pm.

Executive Director's Report December 7-8, 2023

Building Move:

With a slightly later Annual Session than “normal” this year, these past two months have flown by! I sit here (because I am not a standing desk believer, yet) writing my report from our “new” building with boxes all around. Unfortunately, the world does not stop when you move, so a lot of staff is doing double-duty during membership renewals and with the upcoming board meeting and other events. For some reason, I thought moving commercial buildings would be simpler and easier than a home, but I was sure wrong. What accumulates over 30+ years in a business is incredible, even as the world shifts more paperless and digital. Fortunately, this one-time sweep through literally everything in the office has helped purged much of what we do not need and free up much space as well. There are still a number of things needing done in the building, but at early impression, the new building should serve ISDS staff and members well in the future. A big shout out to Tara and Nic, who helped tremendously to ensure the move was as seamless as possible, within budget, and helped take much of the move off my plate.

Strategic Plan Integration/Looking Ahead

Since the Strategic Plan was approved at our September (Thursday) board meeting, I have attended each committee meeting held to present on the strategic planning process undertaken by the board in 2023 and how it developed the strategic initiatives, particularly those relevant to the committee at hand. You will notice in the Committee reports below that a new section has been added to incorporate and address how the Committees’ work is being focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan. The intent in doing this is to really embed the Strategic Plan and initiatives into the forefront of each committee and the board as well. It was clear to me with annual turnover of committee and board members, that it can become easy to lose sight of the strategic plan and harder to gain “buy-in” if one was not part of the strategic planning process when it originally occurred. The goal here is that these new measures keep all ISDS Committees in sync with the Board of Trustees on the same goals, and continuity of the plan over the three-year span despite turnover in volunteers.

As we look to transition the board meetings to be more forward-facing in nature, and have conversations that we have not taken up before at the board-level, below is an outline of where/what this may occur. All discussions are to occur after the committee report is reported. There is expected to be adequate time to do this, but if we run short on time, some topics can be swung to the March board meeting.

Executive Director Report – ADA Membership Model change (will share a short video with an overview of what this model may look like – still in development and expected to be finalized in Spring 2024. Open discussion about implementation at all levels of the tripartite – particularly at the state and local level.

Governmental Affairs – Discuss importance of upcoming timing of action alerts with the 2024 legislative session prior to the next board meeting, why responding is important, and how we can increase grassroots engagement locally in these efforts.

Membership Report – Within the past few years, we have started reporting the membership market share percentage of each component, which has been eye opening for many on where they “rank” against their peers. I would like to have a conversation about establishing some kind of target goal of market share percentage, what ISDS can do to help improve the market share of these components, and even consider developing some kind of component scorecard to identify if any commonalities between high/low performing components that may help focus any ISDS efforts.

Member Services – Have an open discussion on why there is generally low adoption of ISDS endorsed companies, what can ISDS do to increase, and/or provide our trustees to generate awareness locally? ISDS endorsed programs are a great source of providing value to members with savings from standard pricing, non-dues revenue to ISDS which help keep dues low, and increased sales to the companies.

Feedback is Always Important - Board Liaison Process Change

It has become clear that the timeline “we’ve always used” to make the board liaison assignments is not advantageous to the liaison role and being able to attend meetings. Historically, these liaison assignments were generally made in August and shared with the board at its September (Saturday) board meeting with the “new” board. Obviously, with some committees having meetings scheduled out already into the fall/winter/even spring, practice and life schedules have commonly caused the liaison to miss the first meeting of their liaison term. With around two or so committee meetings per year roughly, almost half or one-third of the meetings are missed, which obviously reduces the ability to learn more about that particular committee.

Because of feedback provided over the past year, the incoming President and I will revise the timeline when these assignments are made to provide greater advanced notice. Going forward, we will look to review the assignments around the timeframe of the Midwinter meeting in February, and notify the current and future trustees at/around the timing of the March board meeting. This should help provide roughly six months’ notice rather than minimal of future committee meeting dates. We should have the CDS trustees named by then following coalition night in January. Downstate components we may or may not, but hopefully this revised timeline may also serve as an incentive for downstate components to turn in their folks before this timeframe. As new and established trustees progress through their terms, please do feel free to share feedback like this that can help enhance the trustee learning experience and shorten the learning curve.

2024

As has been mentioned before, much change is on the horizon in 2024 with a software conversion and expected change to the tripartite membership model, but we also have a couple cyclical events that land that same year as well.

2024 is a license renewal year, which is highly likely to be another messy and confusing process that all dentists will need help with and are unlikely to receive through IDFPR. The volume of inquiries to ISDS regarding license renewal assistance skyrockets during these years.

Additionally, as ISDS continues to build a robust CE library with our monthly CE webinars, I am expecting a greater uptick in members and nonmembers who may wish to take our courses with 2024 being a license renewal year, which commonly also kicks up the volume of inquiries to ISDS.

We have also recently rolled out a handful of new endorsements that require publicizing further in 2024, but have the potential to present great member value.

Consistent with the message received from our nearly 600 survey respondents to help guide our 2023 strategic planning session, ISDS is on the right track and we need to continue to build upon what we currently do for our members and increase awareness of our legislative efforts, existing programs, and member value available. 2024 will be a busy year to say the least, but I expect great progression for our tripartite if all this change is handled well.

Respectfully submitted: Mr. Eric Larson, Executive Director

ISDS President's Report

Richard A. Bona

December 7-8, 2023, Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
Sept 12, 2023	1 st Caucus	Dinner with the ADA President-Elect candidates	
Sept 13, 2023	1 st Caucus	Assign delegates, meet the candidates	
Sept 15, 2023	Dental Arts Club	Install new Officers	
Sept 21, 2023	ISDSF Golf	Toilet Bowl Champ!!!	Larger trophy and cash award
Sept 22, 2023	Annual Session	Naming of new building	Larger Prez office needed
Sept 22, 2023	Dinner Dance	Excellent, my family enjoyed	Well done by staff
Sept 23, 2023	Installation!	Concern of me becoming President	Verify that it did happen!
Oct 3, 2023	South Sub Branch	Review Annual Session	Keep members informed
Oct 5-10, 2023	Smilecon-ADA	Election of ADA Prez-Elect	Our Sue D. lost
Oct 13, 2023	UIC 110 Years	Celebrate the College	Better communications
Oct 24, 2023	D.A.C.	Review ADA Smilecon	
Oct 25, 2023	ISDS Exec Com	Updates from staff	Licensing and sedation
Nov 1, 2023	Independent Dental Org	CDS Leadership Group	Keep members informed, review CDS MWM Meeting
Nov 7, 2023	ISDS General Arr	Discuss my upcoming Session	Work with Mattea, Jen
Nov 12, 2023	CDS Installation	Honor of installing friends	We were well represented
Nov 15, 2023	ISDS Exec	Review budget	Apologize to members for length of meeting
Nov 17, 2023	Government Aff	Legislative preview	Keep members informed
Nov 28, 2023	DAC	TBD	

Other Notable Items

Oldest grandchild started at Purdue

Impressed by the unity at the Annual Session, well done by Ken and the staff

Appears that people like the "Soar In 2024" theme and logo

From the ADA, met and worked with great people; the candidates were all awesome. Our delegates on the reference committees shined.

Very proud of our delegation and my executive committee also, wonderful to work with.

ISDS President Elect

Michael D. Danner

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
10/2/23	Ryan Spain Event	Represented DENTILPAC	N/A
10/6-11/23	ADA HOD Orlando	HOD and Caucus Meetings	N/A
10/7/23	IMOM Local Chair Meeting	Finalized Leads, Grants and Donations	N/A
10/25/23	Special ISDS Board Executive Committee Meeting	Governmental Affairs Committee Issues	N/A
10/30/23	Downstate Society Committee on Election Rules	Discussed current rules and possible changes	N/A
11/7/23	ISDS Annual Session Committee Meeting	Discussed upcoming Annual Session in Peoria 2024	N/A
11/12/23	CDS Officer Installation	Congratulations to Dr. Lewis!	N/A
11/15/23	ISDS Executive Committee meeting	Zoom meeting with material for December Board Meeting	
11/20/23	Downstate Society Committee on Election Rules	Discussed current rules and possible changes	

Other Notable Items:

IMOM is coming along quite well. Fundraising will be our focus for the next months.

Trustee District/CDS Branch Liaison Appointment(s)

John Kozal

Vice President

March 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
June 15	Progressive club	Summer Planner	
July 25	ISDS Exec Committee		
Aug 7	ISDS		
Aug 16	IMOM Leads meeting		
Aug 23 New Trustee Orientation			
Aug 26-27	Promote Dr Dorshow	Dallas Tx	
Sept 21-24	ISDS Annual session	Springfield IL	
Oct 5-10	ADA Annual session	Orlando FL	
Oct 24	Dental Arts		
Oct 25	ISDS Exec committee		
Oct 14	Southwest Branch	Installation of officers	
Nov 2	Progressive club	New members night	
Nov 12	CDS	CDS Installation of officers	
Nov 14	Southwest Branch		
Nov 15	ISDS	Exec Committee	

Other Notable Items

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Illinois State Dental Society Trustee Report

Douglas Chang, Secretary

Sept 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
9/21-9/23	ISDS HOD	Welcome to our newly installed trustees and our new Secretary Dr. Paul Palliser	
9/26/23	Report to the WSDS	Covered our legislative wins last in 2023 and what we are planning for on 2024.	
9/28/23	8 th District Caucus in Bloomington, IL	IL delegation met and discussed ADA resolutions and their ramifications.	
10/6-10/11	ADA HOD	Participated in Reference committee B	
10/12/23	DuPage Board of Health	Board of Health in DuPage is very interested in combining lobbying efforts together in Springfield with ISDS.	
10/23/23	Registered for MWM	Hope everyone has registered and will be attending this year's MidWinter Meeting in Chicago.	
10/25/23	ISDS Special Executive Meeting	Topic will be discussed at Board Meeting	
11/9-11/10	ADA Council on Dental Practice	Lots of work at the ADA in terms of wellness and portability of licensure, radiographs and records.	
11/12/23	CDS Installation	Congratulation to the new officers	
11/14/23	ISDS Report to WSDS	Very interesting meeting as Bob D. from Facebook's Dentistry In General was there for	

		the first time. He is very passionate about our insurance reform progress and the stability of the tripartite.	
11/15/23	ISDS Executive Board Meeting (Zoom)	Topic will be discussed at Board Meeting	
11/28/23	Dental Arts Club		
12/13/23	DuPage Prayer Breakfast with Janet Yang-Rohr and Terra Costa-Howard		

Paul Palliser

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Date of Meeting	Name of Meeting	Topics/Concerns Voiced at the	Communication/Info Needed from ISDS
October 5, 2023	ADA Annual - Courses and Exhibit floor		
October 24, 2023	CDS NW Suburban Meeting	Course: Impact Bias, speaker: Dr. Darryl Pendleton; CDS Green Coat	
October 25, 2023	Executive committee		
November 7, 2023	McHenry County Dental Society meeting	Course: Sleep Appliances, speaker: Dr. Rubina Nguyen	
November 15, 2023	Executive committee		

Trustee District/CDS Branch Liaison Appointment(s)

Satish Alapati

March 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
	SmileCon	none	None
10/9-10	ADA-HOD	Re-structuring Science division	None
11/8/23	CDS Leadership IDO meeting	Report - ISDS	None

Other Notable Items

ADA- Standards Meeting - September 2023

CDS Northwest Side Branch

James Bryniarski, Trustee

Dec. 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
Oct. 3, 2023	CDS Northwest Side Branch	ISDS Report- Legislative Successes, ISDS Webinars, Licensure requirements	None
Oct. 6-10	ADA House of Delegates	Alternate Delegate	None
Oct. 24, 2023	Dental Arts Club	ISDS Group Report- Legislative Successes, ISDS Webinars, Licensure requirements	None
Nov. 1, 2023	Independent Dental Organization	ISDS Group Report- Legislative Successes, ISDS Webinars, Licensure requirements	None
Nov. 7, 2023	CDS Northwest Side Branch	ISDS Report- Legislative Successes, ISDS Webinars, Licensure requirements, Medical Insurance	None
Nov. 7, 2023	ISDS Annual Session Committee Zoom Meeting	Discussed 2024, 2025, and 2026 Annual Sessions	None
Nov. 14, 2023	CDS West Side Branch	Hosted 2 UIC Senior Dental students at Branch Meeting	None
Nov. 28, 2023	Dental Arts Club	ISDS Group Report- Legislative Successes, ISDS Webinars, Licensure requirements, Medical Insurance	None

Other Notable Items

Dec. 3, 2023- Dental Arts Christmas Party

Central Trustee District/Dr. Christopher Couri

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
10/7/2023	IMOM Local chair meeting	finalizing leads, working on grants, donations and in kind donation	none at this time
10/25/2023	ISDS Executive Meeting	Government Affairs Issues	in process
11/7/2023	ISDS Annual Session Committee Meeting	Review Annual Session in Peoria in 2024	in process
11/15/2023	ISDS Executive Committee Meeting	Review meeting material and content for December BOT meeting	
12/6/2023	PDDS New dentist social	inviting new dentist in the area to join	NA
1/26/2024	PDDS Gala	Social event for PDDS for members and guests	NA

Other Notable Items

IMOM planning is coming along. Our focus currently in on the fund raising.

Trustee-at-Large / Dental Benefits

Keith A Evans

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
11/14/2023	McLean Co Dent Society	Newer Member Representation to ADA	None

Other Notable Items

No Dental Benefits meeting or action

Dec. 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Marcia Hardy, Central Eastern District Trustee

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
11/17/23	Illini Dist. Dental Soc Regular Meeting	<p>What are the requirements to serve as an ISDS Alternate or Delegate?</p> <p>What is the ISDS doing to get membership up?</p> <p>Why can't the ISDS do anything about student debt?</p>	<p>I answered the requirement question.</p> <p>Maybe put out info about what the ISDS is doing to stimulate membership.</p> <p>Maybe explain that the ISDS has no control over student debt.</p>
11/7/23	Decatur Dist. Dental Soc. Regular Meeting	When we the ISDS get health insurance plan together?	I explained it's in the works. Maybe ISDS should put that info out too.

Other Notable Items- none

New Dentist Chair Trustee

Jackie Hassenplug

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
11/7/23	New Dentist Committee Meeting November	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Discussed strategic plan- Changing New Dentist Liaison to other committees- Membership numbers for new dentists- Leadership/volunteerism of new dentists- Being more involved in the 3 dental schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Recommendation to the board (see below/committee report)- Confirmation of location of Feb Meeting

Other Notable Items

I am looking forward to the next 2 years on the board and to getting to know all of you.

Sincerely,

Jackie Hassenplug

Southern Illinois District Trustee

Jallad

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

ALL PEACFUL HERE in Southern Illinois!!

Wish you all happy holidays....

Stay Safe

And until the next time, wish you all plenty of health, fortune and happiness!!

Jallad (From Southern Illinois)

Dr. Richard G. Leyba

ISDS Trustee North Side Branch

Dec 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
SEPT 14, 2023	Zoom Meeting Members services comm. ISDS.	Interviewing Potential Candidates for E-Prescriptions vendors and Retirement fund plans.	
SEPT 21-23,2023	ISDS Annual Session	Great Meeting.	
SEPT 19, 2023	North Side Branch CDS 1 st Meeting at RPM Steakhouse Downtown Chicago	Communication and leadership skills. Mickey Bernstein.	
NOV 14, 2023	North Side Branch CDS, 2 nd Meeting at the Dalcy Downtown Chicago	Esthetic Anterior Dentistry Out of box Mockups-Dr. Andi-Jean Miro. I presented the Power Point Talking points provided by the ISDS.	
NOV 12,2023	CDS Installation in Itasca IL	Great Camaraderie.	

Other Notable Items

Northeastern District

Jon Nickelsen

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
10/17	Gov Affairs/EC Board	Zoom meeting	
11/17	Gov Affairs	See report	

Other Notable Items

Governmental issues covered in Governmental Affairs Committee report.

Chicago District/West Side Branch and West Suburban Branch

Sharon J Perlman, DDS,MPH

December, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
September 26, 2023	IL Society of Pediatric Dentists meeting with Senator Durbin's office	Low Medicaid reimbursement rates; Cumbersome credentialing process; Request for additional funds and support; Support for dental homes and comprehensive care	
September 26, 2023	West Suburban Branch Mtg	ISDS Report	
October 3, 2023	West Side Branch Mtg	ISDS Report	
October 7-10, 2023	ADA House of Delegates	Attended as an 8 th District Alternate Delegate; Testified before Reference Committee B and my proposed amendment on including oropharyngeal cancer in the statement of preventive coverage in dental benefit plans which was adopted into policy by HOD.	Emergency Contact Information for meeting participants; Review of AED access
October 12, 2023	Greater Chicago - Hispanic Dental Association	Efforts of organized dentistry to include DEI and support the Latin X community	Routinely incorporate DEI consideration into programming and CE and practice what we preach
October 18, 2023	Dental Policy Review Committee	Low Medicaid reimbursement rates; Cumbersome credentialing process; Confusion of patients and community organizations among various managed care plans and providers not accepting all plans; SDF in schools; inclusion of CDT 1301, vaccine counseling; resignation of Dr. Simon from committee and participating in IL Medicaid	Continued support for streamlining credentialing & cumbersome paperwork, and support for increased rates; promotion of vaccine counseling, previously committed to by Dr. Simon at prior meeting.
November 3, 2023	IL Society of Pediatric Dentists	Delay in processing of licenses and the extent to which dental school deans are involved; Capitol Conference	Updates
November 14, 2023	West Side Branch Mtg	ISDS & ADA HOD reports	ADA meeting highlight slides for 2024.

Other Notable Items

None

Central Western

Jennifer Pritts, DMD

Dec 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
15 Sept 2023	TL Gilmer Component meeting		None
21-23 Sept 2023	Annual Session		None

Other Notable Items

Central Northern District

Donald Rastede, DDS

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
Sept. 12, 2023	Rock Island DDS		Reported to component prior to annual meeting, Dent-IL-PAC update
Sept. 21, 2023	ISDS BOT meeting		
Sept. 21, 2023	Dent-IL-PAC Directors meeting		
Sept. 21, 2023	ISDS Foundation Trivia night		
Sept. 22, 2023	ISDS HOD opening		
Sept. 22, 2023	Dent-IL-PAC annual meeting		Need to increase membership especially amongst specialists,
Sept. 22, 2023	Downstate Caucus		
Sept. 23, 2023	ISDS HOD		
Sept. 23, 2023	ISDS BOT		
Sept. 23, 2023	Presidents special meeting		
Oct. 10, 2023	Illinois Valley DS component meeting		Presented Sept. 2023 talking points and Dent-IL=PAC update
Nov. 7, 2023	Whiteside-Lee DS component meeting		Presented Sept. 2023 talking points and Dent-IL-PAC

Other Notable Items

At Dent-IL-PAC annual meeting challenged each component to talk to each non-member to find out why they are not a member of the PAC.

Northwest District

Cynthia Sachs

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
9-28-23	WCDS Meeting	Most of the things asked I was able to answer about CE	
10-19-23	WCDS Meeting	Dr. Palliser spoke about Annual Session	
11-16-23	WCDS Meeting	Reviewed CE needed for end of year and next year. Cleared up questions on RX requirements	

Other Notable Items

Type Here

Chicago District/South Suburban Branch

Ron Waryjas, DDS, MS

December, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
9/13	ADA 2nd Caucus	Issues and Election of ADA ticket	
9/22	BOT Meeting	See Minutes	
9/22	Annual Session		
9/23	Annual Session/BOT Meeting		
10/3	South Suburban Branch/CDS (SSB)	CE/ISDS Report	
10/6-11	ADA HOD	Election	
10/13	UIC 110th Anniversary	Represented ISDS	

10/24--Dental Arts Club of Chicago(DAC)--CE and ISDS Report

10/29--CDS Foundation Fundraiser

11/8-- CDS Regional Meeting--CE

11/8--Members Leadership Group Nominating Committee--input as to ADA delegation composition

11/12--CDS Installation--represented ISDS

11/13--SSB BOD Meeting

11/14--SSB Branch Meeting--CD and ISDS Report

11/15--ISDS Exec Committee Meeting

11/28--DAC--ISDS report/CE

11/29-Joint Commission, National Dental Examinations(JCNDE) Meeting

2/3--DAC Christmas Party

12/5--JCNDE Meeting

Chicago Dental Society / North Suburban Branch

Ben Youel

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Name of Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Concerns Voiced at the Meeting</u>	<u>Communication/Info Needed from ISDS</u>
11.14.23	North Suburban Branch Meeting	I covered all 24 subjects on the ISDS Update Ppt.	I did get a question about how dental insurance will start paying for orthodontic treatment for cleft lip/palate kids starting Jan 1, 2024. I emailed Lindsay Wagahoff to get some clarification. She is investigating the question further.

Other Notable Items

There may be an opportunity for ISDS to release a FAQ page about the implementation of the new cleft lip/palate bill and its effect on dentistry.

Committee on Committees

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary:

Over the past year, our Communications Committee has lost two members. Dr. Jallad had to step down when he came onto the Board and Dr. Schroeder stepped down due to other commitments.

Detail:

At our recent Annual Session event in Springfield, Dr. Jallad helped connect staff with a member in his district who was very interested in serving on the Communications Committee, Dr. Shawna Dudovitz. ISDS staff reviewed her qualifications and recommended Dr. Dudovitz to serve a three-year term. After the Committee on Committees members reviewed her credentials and conflict of interest form, they all voted in favor, via email, of recommending her appointment to the Board.

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

The Committee on Committees continues to review and recommend placement of qualified members on our standing committees who will increase member value.

Recommendations:

The Committee on Committees recommends that the Board of Directors approves Dr. Shawna Dudovitz to serve a full term on the Communications Committee.

Committee Members:

Dr. Michael Danner, Chair

Dr. John Kozal

Dr. Doug Chang

Dr. Paul Palliser

Dr. Jim Bryniarski

Dr. Marcia Hardy

Executive Committee
October 25, 2023
Via Zoom

Key Summary: *ISDS Executive Committee met via Zoom to discuss recommendations from the Governmental Affairs Committee, which was held to allow pediatric dentists to present information regarding issues with Permit A (moderate sedation permit) licensing at the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) and request action from ISDS to address the issue. Recommendations from the Governmental Affairs Committee were acted upon by the Executive Committee. All committee members were present. Dr. Larry Osborne (Chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee), Dr. Jon Nickelsen (board liaison to the Governmental Affairs Committee), Eric Larson (ISDS Executive Director), and Lindsay Wagahoff (Director of Government Relations) all attended the meeting as well.*

Detail: The Executive Committee was provided the Zoom recording of the previously held Governmental Affairs Committee meeting to streamline its meeting and provide comprehensive background regarding the presentation made by pediatric dentists to the Governmental Affairs Committee. For further details, please see the Governmental Affairs Committee report. After discussion, the committee reviewed the recommendations presented by the Governmental Affairs committee, all of which were approved.

Action Taken:

The ISDS Executive Committee approved the following recommendations from the Governmental Affairs Committee:

- 1.) To explain to the pediatric dentists the process of which ISDS submits recommendations to the Secretary of IDFPR for State Board of Dentistry Board Members and encourage them to use that process instead of changing the current makeup of the State Board of Dentistry.**
- 2.) ISDS to issue a letter to IDFPR requesting more detailed information about the current interpretation of the statute and rules.**
- 3.) ISDS to connect them with individuals at IDFPR for the pediatric dentists to have further conversation with IDFPR about their concerns.**

Committee Members

Dr. Richard Bona, Chair
Dr. Michael Danner
Dr. Paul Palliser

Dr. John Kozal
Dr. Douglas Chang
Dr. Chris Couri

Dr. Ron Waryjas, Vice-chair
Dr. Mahmoud Jallad

Executive Committee
November 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary: *PNC presented the annual review of the investment account. A recap of the Strategic Plan was completed to ensure all new committee members were informed on the initiatives given to this committee and the plan itself. The Committee reviewed the account balances and financials. Discussion as to the status of both buildings and timeline wall for the new building. New business discussed was the Board Policy for the funding of the 8th District Delegation, Board Policy for the Editor position, dues dates for award nominations and the 2024 staffing plan.*

Detail:

The Executive Committee met via Zoom conference on Wednesday, November 15, 2023. Meeting attendees included Drs. Bona, chair, Waryjas, vice chair, Danner, Kozal, Chang, Palliser, Jallad, and Couri. Mr. Larson and Mr. Atkinson were present as staff.

Fund Balances and Financials:

Ms. Heather Williams and Wenny Zhang of PNC Bank presented the annual review of the investment account for the Committee. 2023 has been up and down, with a very strong start to the year, but then a significant pullback in Q3. Investments through Q3 are still up 2.74%, net of fees. The committee also reviewed the board investment policy allocation of investments, being 65% equities and 35% bonds, which is a common allocation for nonprofits. Ms. Williams noted, that while there is a lot of “noise” going on in the world, the outlook for the stock market is relatively optimistic going in to 2024.

Dr. Chang, Treasurer, provided the committee with the bank account balances as of the end of October 31, 2023. The checking account had \$792,257, the money market account contained \$250,483 and the investment account held \$3,195,853.

Dr. Waryjas presented the summary report of the financials as of September 30, 2023 for the committee. While the financials look pretty good, the overall trend is decreasing revenues, due to a drop in dues paying members, and an increase in prices, mostly due to inflated seen over the last 2-3 years. Dr. Waryjas noted that from an expense side, ISDS is extremely lean and there are not significant opportunities for cost cutting. The focus must be on increasing revenues to ensure we are not pulling too much from reserves each year.

ISDS Property Update:

Mr. Eric Larson provided an update to the committee regarding the ISDS properties. ISDS staff will be moving into the new building, located at 3100 Montvale Dr, during the week of Thanksgiving. While there have been a handful hiccups, as with any large project, we will be operating out of the new building fairly close to the originally planned schedule. Mr. Larson reviewed current expenditures associated with the new building. In June 2022, the Board of Trustees approved a maximum of \$222,600 to spending on furniture and building improvements. As of the date of the meeting, \$199,244 had been spent. Mr. Larson noted there will be additional expenses, but he expects to be under the maximum.

Mr. Larson also noted that the building on 2nd Street does not have any interested buyers at this time. He is consulting with our attorney regarding potential legal action to receive the earnest money that

was made by the buyer that fell through, as the buyer refuses to release the funds. Because we will no longer occupy the building day to day, he is considering hiring a realtor due to any showings becoming potentially more inconvenient.

The Committee then discussed the idea of an open house of the new building for the membership. Several options were considered, but ultimately the Committee felt that it needed to get an idea of how many people, if any, would be interested in attending an open house to determine if one should be held. Staff will send out a survey in the next monthly newsletter to gauge interest. The time discussed was the evening before the ISDS Capital Conference event in April.

Dr. Bona is continuing to speak with individuals regarding the timeline wall to be put in the new office. This is still a work in progress at this time.

Board Policy for funding of the 8th District Delegation:

After the passage of the 2024 budget by the House of Delegates in September, Board Policy must be changed in order to adjust for the cut of nearly \$33,000 to fund the delegation. \$22,095 was cut to per diem and travel reimbursement, which is what must be changed in Board Policy. Three options were discussed at length. One, 9 alternate delegates would be cut from the delegation (6 CDS and 3 Downstate) and per diems & reimbursements would remain the same. Two, keep the 9 alternate delegates on the delegation but simply not fund them. These 9 alternates would have to fund their own way or could be funded by other sources such as components, branches, leaderships groups or caucuses. Three, keep the 9 alternate delegates, but cut everyone's per diem and reimbursements to an amount that would keep the expense within budget (roughly 75%).

A vigorous discussion was had by the Committee. Option one was considered as it was seen as the "intent" of the House of Delegates when the budget was passed. Option two, was strongly considered as it did not remove and delegates from the Board Policy, which means it would potentially be easier to add them back if the funding was available. It also gives the alternate delegates the option to still attend the 1st and 2nd caucus meetings at a relatively low cost and if they would like to pay for the more expensive travel out of state, that option is still available to them. Option three was viewed as nobody is attending these meetings for the money and there is importance of sending a complete delegation to the ADA House of Delegates. Ultimately the Committee decided that recommending option 2 to the Board of Trustees would be the best policy moving forward. See Appendix below for more detail on the options.

Board Policy for funding of the Editor position:

As part of the 2024 proposed draft budget, the ISDS Board of Trustees put forward an elimination in funding towards the ISDS Editor position and repurposed the funds towards the use of an external public relations (PR) firm to enhance the promotion of ISDS in light of a shift from printed materials toward more digital media.

This repurposing of funds is also in line with the recently adopted strategic initiatives in the 2023-2026 strategic plan, particularly 1) ensure long-term financial stability, 3) facilitate information management, and #4 expand legislative impact. While this repurposing may not in and of itself 2) increase member value, the use of a PR firm does certainly help highlight value provided by ISDS to more members and nonmembers.

The House of Delegates approved the proposed budget as submitted, so board policy pertaining to this particular matter will need updated.

The Committee is recommending the Board of Trustees remove funding for the Editor position.

Dues dates for Award nominations:

The current deadline in board policy for nominations of ISDS awards to be submitted by is June 1. This June 1 date has proved troublesome, given that the ISDS Executive Committee often meets prior to, or shortly after, this date for its meeting prior to the June board meeting. Additionally, this June 1 date can also prove to be difficult to have the awards ready in time for presentation at the ISDS Annual Session event. For these reasons, an earlier deadline would be incredibly helpful, and the publicizing of these awards can really begin at any point in the year regarding their existence and how to submit nominations. These awards and how to submit nominations would be promoted earlier if the date is moved to an earlier one, such as by April 30th.

The Committee was in agreement that moving the due date to an earlier time is logistically more practical.

Staffing Plan 2024

Mr. Larson presented the Executive Committee with a comprehensive overview of ISDS staffing, salaries, and benefits for 2023 and projections for 2024.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. The Executive Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees that Board Policy be adjusted for the funding of the 8th District Delegation to remove the funding of 9 alternate delegates (6 CDS and 3 Downstate) but to allow these alternates to still attend all meeting at their own cost. ***See Option 2 below in the appendix for the proposed amendments to ISDS board policy.*****
- 2. The Executive Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees that the Board Policy be amended to remove funding for the Editor of Illinois Dental News, in accordance with the 2024 Budget passed by the House of Delegates.**
- 3. The Executive Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees Board Policy be updated to move the due date for award nominations from June 1st to April 30th.**

Committee Members:

Dr. Richard Bona, Chair
Dr. John Kozal
Dr. Mahmoud Jallad
Mr. Eric Larson, Executive Director

Dr. Ron Waryjas, Vice Chair
Dr. Douglas Chang
Dr. Chris Couri
Mr. Nic Atkinson, CPA

Dr. Mike Danner
Dr. Paul Palliser

Appendix: 8th District Delegation Funding:

Summary of Options

- **Option 1:** Reduce 8th District Delegation by 9 alternate delegates (6 from CDS and 3 from downstate)
- **Option 2:** Keep 19 alternate delegates intact, but do not supply funding for 9 alternate delegates (i.e. these individuals would have to fund their own cost of participating on the 8th District delegation, or other sources would – for example, components, branches, leadership groups, etc...)
- **Option 3:** Keep 19 delegates and 19 alternate delegates and reduce funding for all

Option 1: Reduce 8th District Delegation by 9 alternate delegates (6 from CDS and 3 from downstate)

ADA ISSUES

I. ADA Delegation

~~A. Illinois ADA Delegation~~

~~ISDS will send a full complement of alternate delegates to the ADA Session, which will equal the number of delegates determined by the ADA's calculation. (B: 2021)~~

B. Reimbursement

- 1) Round trip airfare (or rail) or mileage for 1st caucus. Airfare reimbursement is not to exceed the amount that would have been otherwise reimbursed for mileage.
- 2) Round trip air fare (or rail) or mileage for 2nd caucus. Airfare reimbursement is not to exceed the amount that would have been otherwise reimbursed for mileage.
- 3) Round trip coach air fare (or rail) or mileage from residence to site of ADA Session (with increasing air costs, the Board may, at its discretion, establish a reimbursement ceiling on air fare); a total reimbursement of \$450 allowed to delegates/alternates for travel to the ADA Annual Session. Mileage reimbursement (or rail) is not to exceed the amount that would have been otherwise reimbursed for airfare. (B-2017)
- 4) Delegates \$250 per day for 2nd caucus and \$350 per day for 4 days attending ADA Session (\$250 per day for 4 days if ADA session is virtual).
- 5) Alternates \$250 per day for 2nd caucus and \$350 per day for 4 days attending ADA Session (\$250 per day for 4 days if ADA session is virtual).
- 6) Delegates and alternates will be reimbursed the registration fee for the ADA Annual Session.
- 7) ADA Councils/Commissions members who are non-delegates and/or alternates will be reimbursed according to the same reimbursement schedule for delegates and alternates when requested to attend the in-state caucus functions.

(B: 83, 86, 96, 97, 98, 99, 02, 11, 12, 22)

- C. The Board of Trustees highly recommends that the Chicago District and the Downstate Society Caucus each include, at a minimum, a New Dentist, as defined in the Bylaws Chapter. IV Section 11(L) as an alternate delegate in their allocation of delegates in the 8th District delegation. (B-2013)

II. ADA Delegation Allocation - 19 Delegates (~~Effective in 2021~~)

	Delegates	Alternates
Chicago	12	12 6
Rest of State	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u> 4
	19	19 10

(Board 2021)

III. Election of Delegation

The ADA delegation shall be elected according to the Bylaws, Chapter XV, Section 5 and reported to the Society by February 1 of each year. Changes in the delegation caused by unforeseen circumstances can be made no later than the June meeting of the Board and forwarded to the ADA. The Executive Committee is authorized to fill such vacancy after the June Board meeting.
 (B: 74, 96, 98, 12)

Option 2: Keep 19 alternate delegates intact, but do not supply funding for 9 alternate delegates (i.e. these individuals would have to fund their own cost of participating on the 8th District delegation, or other sources would – for example, components, branches, leadership groups, etc...)

ADA ISSUES

I. ADA Delegation

A. Illinois ADA Delegation

ISDS ~~will~~ may send a full complement of alternate delegates to the ADA Session, which ~~will~~ may equal the number of delegates determined by the ADA’s calculation. (B: 2021)

B. Reimbursement

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- 3) Round trip coach air fare (or rail) or mileage from residence to site of ADA Session (with increasing air costs, the Board may, at its discretion, establish a reimbursement ceiling on air fare); a total reimbursement of \$450 allowed to delegates/alternates for travel to the ADA Annual Session. Mileage reimbursement (or rail) is not to exceed the amount that would have been otherwise reimbursed for airfare. (B-2017)
- 4) Delegates \$250 per day for 2nd caucus and \$350 per day for 4 days attending ADA Session (\$250 per day for 4 days if ADA session is virtual).
- 5) Alternates \$250 per day for 2nd caucus and \$350 per day for 4 days attending ADA Session (\$250 per day for 4 days if ADA session is virtual).

- 6) Delegates and alternates will be reimbursed the registration fee for the ADA Annual Session.
 - 7) ADA Councils/Commissions members who are non-delegates and/or alternates will be reimbursed according to the same reimbursement schedule for delegates and alternates when requested to attend the in-state caucus functions.
 - 8) All but nine (9) alternate delegates will receive the ISDS reimbursement outlined in this section. Six (6) alternate delegates from the Chicago District and three (3) alternate delegates from the Downstate Society Caucus will not receive ISDS reimbursement. The Chicago District and the Downstate Society Caucus shall determine and report who these individuals are to ISDS.
(B: 83, 86, 96, 97, 98, 99, 02, 11, 12, 22)
- C. The Board of Trustees highly recommends that the Chicago District and the Downstate Society Caucus each include, at a minimum, a New Dentist, as defined in the Bylaws Chapter. IV Section 11(L) as an alternate delegate in their allocation of delegates in the 8th District delegation. (B-2013)

II. ADA Delegation Allocation - 19 Delegates (~~Effective in 2021~~)

	Delegates	Alternates
Chicago	12	12
Rest of State	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
	19	19

(Board 2021)

III. Election of Delegation

The ADA delegation shall be elected according to the Bylaws, Chapter XV, Section 5 and reported to the Society by February 1 of each year. Changes in the delegation caused by unforeseen circumstances can be made no later than the June meeting of the Board and forwarded to the ADA. The Executive Committee is authorized to fill such vacancy after the June Board meeting. The nine (9) non-reimbursed alternate delegate positions may remain unfilled

(B: 74, 96, 98, 12)

Access to Care Committee

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary: *The Access to Care Committee has not had a meeting since August 2023. Since that meeting, Dr. Bill Simon has resigned from two State of Illinois Medicaid committees. Dr. Molitoris, Chair, has been working to fulfill those appointments. Additionally, the Committee will very soon begin focusing on the 2024 Access to Care Conference, that will be held virtually.*

Detail: *The Access to Care Committee has not had a meeting since August 2023.*

Since that meeting, Dr. Bill Simon has resigned from two State of Illinois Medicaid groups. Dr. Molitoris, Chair, has been working to fulfill those appointments.

The first appointment was made to the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (IDHFS) Dental Review Policy Review Committee. Prior to Dr. Simon serving, this position was always held by ISDS staff. Therefore, Dr. Molitoris has appointed Lindsay Wagahoff, ISDS Director of Government Relations to serve on the IDHFS Dental Review Policy Committee on behalf of ISDS.

Dr. Molitoris is appointing Dr. Jim Benz to the Illinois Managed Care Oversight Commission. ISDS is waiting for more information from DHFS on the information required to formally Dr. Benz.

The Committee will very soon begin focusing on the 2024 Access to Care Conference, that will be held virtually.

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

Access to Care does not currently have a specific recommendation for the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan. However, they are focusing more on the Medicaid program and providing input to the Government Affairs Committee for legislative initiatives in the Medicaid space.

Recommendations:

None

Committee Members:

Dr. Sharon Molitoris, Chair

Dr. Peter Contos

Dr. Ryan Tuscher

Dr. Hannah Yasunaga

Dr. Lisa Kearney

Dr. Jason Guerrero, Board Liaison

Ms. Lindsay Wagahoff, Staff Liaison

¹Exhibit/Sponsor revenue was down due to a couple repeat vendors not being able to make it, and Delta Dental not contributing their usual amount.

²AV labor costs and equipment were less than expected.

³Less delegates were eligible for per diems due to missed deadlines and some components did not submit anyone for the position.

Annual Session Committee

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary: The annual session committee met to discuss various events for the September 13-14, 2024 Annual Session including: the president's hospitality, dinner dance, guest event, and the president's special event.

Detail: The meeting was held at 4:00pm via Zoom on November 7th, 2023. Drs. in attendance were Rick Bona, 2024 President, James Bryniarski, 2024 General Chair, Brian Soltys, 2024 Dinner Dance Chair, Mike Danner, 2025 President, Chris Couri, 2025 General Chair, John Kozal, 2026 President, Lynse Briney, 2026 General Chair, Anastasia Kozal, 2026 Dinner Dance Chair, and Ms. Mattea Tavernor, staff liaison.

Dr. Soltys called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM.

Dr. Bona gave a few opening remarks about the central location of the Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center. He feels the Peoria event will be well attended because it is easy to get to from northern and southern Illinois. The hotel is also located in an area with plenty of surrounding activities for those who bring family to the event.

The president's hospitality on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night will be in a meeting space located on the second floor of the hotel. ISDS can bring in their own snacks and alcoholic beverages to this space. The hospitality will be open from 8pm-midnight on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings.

The ISDS Foundation is considering a location for the Thursday golf event, and an activity for the fundraiser, but no decisions have been made. The idea of a carnival has been discussed.

The president's reception and dinner dance will be held at the hotel on Friday evening from 6:30-11:00pm. The band, 90s Daughter, has been booked for the evening. Dr. Bona enjoyed this band at the 2022 Annual Session, and feels it is a good choice for the evening. The attire will be formal/black tie optional, and a sit-down dinner will be served.

The guest event on Saturday will be from 10:00am-1:30pm. Guests will start the day with a candle making workshop where they can select their scents and pour their own candle. Lunch will be at Hearth Restaurant which is a farm to table restaurant in Peoria Heights.

The president's special event on Saturday night will be hosted at the hotel in a room facing the river with an outdoor patio. A Polish themed menu will be served, and a polkaesque duo will be playing music throughout the evening.

Dr. Bryniarski adjourned the meeting at 4:45 PM.

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

The annual session meeting provides member value in the form of education regarding updates on ISDS HOD business and government affairs issues.

Recommendations:

1. no recommendations

Committee Members:

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Rick Bona, 2024 President
Dr. James Bryniarski, 2024 General Chair
Dr. Brian Soltys, 2024 Dinner Dance Chair
Dr. Mike Danner, 2025 President
Dr. Chris Couri, 2025 General Chair
Dr. Harry Watts, 2025 Dinner Dance Chair
Dr. John Kozal, 2026 President
Dr. Lynse Briney, 2026 General Chair
Dr. Anastasia Kozal, 2026 Dinner Dance Chair
Ms. Mattea Tavernor, Staff Liaison

Communications Committee
December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary: *The Communications Committee has not met since the last board meeting. The committee will meet virtually at noon on December 15th.*

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

The committee will discuss ways to personalize messaging to members better, promote the value of membership, and work with the membership committee on how the young dentist can be heard more.

Our discussion will start by proposing a bi-monthly Illinois Dental News. Reducing staff time on the production of the Illinois Dental News and concentrating more on tailored messaging via electronic forms, including social media, emails, and text alerts. The new bi-weekly e-newsletter serves as a way to communicate with members more quickly and has been successful this past year. Current data shows a 60% open rate with our e-newsletters and a 3% click rate. The open rate is 37% higher than the industry average.

Surveys will continue to be used to understand our membership better and use the data to focus on target groups.

Committee Members:

Dr. Kirk Noraian, Chair

Dr. Ravi Juluri

Dr. Rebecca Dunn

Dr. Maggie Schaefer-Gilpin

Dr. Esther Lopez

Dr. Jennifer Pritts, Board Liaison

Dr. Lynse Briney, ADA Council Representative

Dr. Shawna Dudovitz will join the committee after board approval. (Thanks to Dr. Jallad for reaching out to a young dentist and connecting Jennifer with her interests to serve!)

Dental Benefits and Practice Committee
December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary: *The Electronic Claims Workgroup (ECW) has been meeting to outline the requirements for the upcoming electronic claim submission requirement that will occur in 2025. They have drafted rules and submitted those to the ADA for further technical review. They have not had a meeting since the last board meeting.*

Detail: *The full Dental Benefits and Practice Committee has not met since the last board meeting. However, the Electronic Claims Workgroup (ECW) has continued to meet. Dental Benefits Committee members have been participating in the meetings.*

The ECW has in the process of establishing an outline for the electronic claim submission requirement. They have made significant progress on the outline and draft for the rules. At their most recent meeting, the group reviewed the latest draft of the rules.

The workgroup has engaged the ADA for further technical support.

The members of the ECW are Dr. Randall Markarian, Chair, Dr. Barbara Mousel, Dr. Terry Barnfield, Dr. Danny Hanna, Dr. Vishruti Patel, Dr. Bradley Barnes, and Dr. Keith Suchy.

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

The Electronic Claims Workgroup is very focused on providing technical expertise to the Governmental Affairs Committee regarding the electronic claims' submission legislation. This is under dental insurance reform, a key component of ISDS' advocacy efforts under the Strategic Plan.

Recommendations: None

Committee Members:

*Dr. Joe Hagenbruch, Chair
Dr. Danny Hanna
Dr. Jun Lim
Dr. Richard Osmanski
Dr. Anna Orland
Dr. Keith Evans, Board Liaison
Dr. Vishruti Patel, ADA Council Representative
Ms. Lindsay Wagahoff, Staff Liaison*

Dental Education Committee

December 2023 Board Report

Key Summary: This meeting was informational and included updates about CE21 revenue, dental auxiliary courses, and the monthly webinar series.

Detail: The committee on dental education met on November 3, 2023, at 4:00 PM via Zoom. Attendees were Drs. Mohamed Qaisi, chair, Drs. Larry Williams, Sahar Alranyes, Christa Hopp, Kathy Shafer, Melissa Probst, RDH, Mr. Eric Larson, Executive Director, and Ms. Mattea Tavernor, ISDS Conventions and CE Manager.

Dr. Qaisi, committee chair, called the meeting to order at 4:11pm.

The March 24, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Mr. Eric Larson began the meeting with an update about the ISDS 2023-2026 strategic plan. The dental education committee will play an important role in providing member value in the form of the monthly webinar series. Mr. Larson also mentioned how the board of trustees voted in favor of the recommendation made by the committee that a cost be applied to on-demand continuing education courses once the calendar year concludes.

Mattea Tavernor gave an update regarding the attendance at the spring UIC dental auxiliary courses. Nitrous oxide, anesthesia sedation, and coronal polishing were all well attended with almost full classes. The fall UIC nitrous oxide and anesthesia sedation courses were also well attended; however, the coronal polishing course only filled 75% of the spots. The fall nitrous and coronal polishing courses at SIU had good attendance; however; we did cancel radiography due to low attendance. The fall SIU anesthesia sedation course filled 60% of the spots.

CE21 year to date revenue is \$31,260 which is almost double the 2022 yearly revenue. ISDS does expect an increase in revenue towards the end of the year as dentists purchase yearly required courses.

The first monthly CE webinar kicked off in January 2023. These webinars are hosted the third Wednesday of the month from 12:00-1:00pm. Below are the attendance statistics from the live webinars.

2023	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Registered	179	604	165	100	101	99	136
Signed in	107	423	113	90	71	65	96
% Signed in	59.78%	70.03%	68.48%	90.00%	70.30%	65.66%	70.59%

2023	August	September	9/27/23*	October	November
Registered	119	45	221	75	40
Signed in	87	36	162	53	35
% Signed in	73.11%	80.00%	80.00%	70.67%	87.5%

*This webinar was not part of the monthly series. The topic was the new Illinois PTO law.

Below are the attendance statistics from the on-demand versions of the recorded live webinars as of 11-15-23.

2023	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Registered	85	394	26	16	15	11	31

2023	August	September	9/27/23*	October
Registered	17	6	42	5

The group reviewed the SIU and UIC anesthesia sedation course outlines, and compared them to the rules set in the Illinois Dental Practice Act, and found that our courses continue to meet all the requirements for dental assistants and hygienists.

Dr. Qaisi asked the committee members to help build a CE bank of potential speakers, so ISDS can book speakers farther out into the year. Dr. Qaisi asked the committee to add speaker information to the shared document prior to December 13, 2023. Ms. Tavernor will send the committee members an email template, and a one-page flyer with information regarding what ISDS needs from potential speakers. Ms. Tavernor will also create a shared document of potential topics, so committee members can help match speakers to specific subjects, and help facilitate filling the monthly spots. (Documents were sent 11-6-23.) ISDS staff members, Mr. Eric Larson, Mr. Nic Atkinson, and Ms. Mattea Tavernor were responsible for arranging, soliciting, and contracting the 2023 speakers. The goal moving forward is to have the committee members be actively involved in finding speakers and connecting them to ISDS. The shared document, which acts as a rolling database, should help with this process.

The committee also discussed the potential of adding additional webinars outside of the monthly series, if a speaker was found that needed more than a one-hour time frame. ISDS is open to the idea of adding additional webinars, if the need arises.

The next meeting will be March 25, 2024 at 4:00pm via Zoom.

Dr. Qaisi, committee chair, adjourned the meeting at 4:52 PM.

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

The committee is focused on creating a bank of CE speakers to provide a member benefit/value through our free, monthly webinar series.

Recommendations:

1. no recommendations

Committee Members:

Respectfully submitted,
 Dr. Mohamed Qaisi, Chair
 Dr. Kathy Shafer
 Dr. Larry Williams
 Dr. James Bryniarski, Board Liaison
 Dr. Christa Hopp

Dr. Sahar Alrayyes
Ms. Melissa Probst, RDH
Dr. Kevin Luan, New Dentist Liaison
Dr. Barb Mousel, ADA Council Rep
Mattea Tavernor, Staff Liaison

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report**

Key Summary:

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee met for the second time on November 28th at 6:00 pm via Zoom. During this meeting, which lasted just over an hour, Gracie Tierney presented the updated strategic plan and opened the discussion concerning the committee goals for the upcoming year.

Detail:

ISDS Disclosure Policy, Approval of Agenda, and Introductions

The ISDS Disclosure policy was read by Dr. Red. The committee approved the agenda and the minutes from the previous meeting. Dr. Red shared information regarding the “Groundwater Approach” and shared these resources with committee members.

Strategic Initiatives as they relate to the 23-26 Strategic Plan

Increase Member Value Champion: The DE&I Committee will work to create a more inclusive environment that better represents the diverse membership of ISDS dentists. The committee will assist in developing a more inclusive language in ISDS publications. Additionally, the DEI Committee is responsible for reviewing new resources regarding DEI initiatives, especially those from the ADA, then disseminating that information with the Board.

Establishment of Committee Goals

The committee has collaborated on a living document outlining their goals and objectives. After approving these initiatives, the committee opted to share this document with the board for feedback and approval. The outline is included below.

Next Committee Meeting:

The next meeting has not been scheduled, but a Doodle Poll has been sent for February 2024.

Recommendations:

None

Committee Members:

Dr. Clarence Red, Chair

Dr. Manisha Virdi

Dr. Jun Lim

Dr. Esther Lopez

Dr. Lauren Hood-Olson

Dr. Dean (Dino) Nicholas

Dr. Maribel Reyes de Lobos

Dr. Cynthia Sachs, Board Liaison

Dr. Jessica Piepenbrink, New Dentist Liaison

Ms. Gracie Tierney, Staff Liaison

DE&I Strategic Map- 2023-2026

Goal: To ensure that we can create an inclusive community that welcomes all diverse backgrounds/identities and promotes equity within all activities that ISDS is a part of in hopes of serving a diverse population.

Objective 1

Ensure that ISDS's governance structure, policies, processes, and practices are inclusive to all and assures diversity of lived experiences, practice models, background/identity and perspectives amongst all involved in the society.

Action 1:

Establish a DE&I Committee for ISDS's activities by 2022.

- COMPLETED;-)

Action 2:

Incorporate and communicate our DE&I vision and values in our policies, practices and programs quarterly.

- Example of activities: read by-laws and other ISDS documents to assure inclusive language (might have already started)
- Determine format, interval and types of content to be communicated to membership – close working relationship with communications committee and board is needed. needed.
- Link core values of ISDS to DEI. Show how DEI adds value to ISDS membership.

Action 3:

Assess current state of ISDS regarding DEI (surveys, focus groups, etc.) to identify needs of members and set baseline reference levels to measure changes.

- Periodic assessment necessary to stay on course and evaluate improvements.
- Collaboration with public health grad student?

Objective 2

Provide DE&I training to stakeholders (e.g. all members, leaders and employees) while emphasizing the link of our professional principles and our code of ethics.

Action 1:

Scan the literature for articles that might highlight DE&I work within our profession and disseminate relevant research studies that bring about awareness of DE&I considerations.

- Examples- select 3 journal articles to review and discuss amongst the committee

Action 2:

Provide an equity lens when considering activities put together by ISDS.

- Create checklist of ways to be more inclusive and create a “best practices” sheet to share with components and CDS branches

Action 3:

Provide DEI guidelines for speakers engaged by ISDS.

Action 4:

Provide CE oppportunities

Objective 3

Expand representation across all roles that work together in ISDS.

Action 1:

Collaborate with educational institutions to entice our profession in communities that have been disenfranchised.

- Example- career day material
- During inteviews and candidate visits at the dental schools

Action 2:

Create a pathway program for a more diverse and representative leadership.

Action 3:

Reach out and partner with diverse professional oral health organizations.

**Governmental Affairs Committee
December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report**

Key Summary: - The Governmental Affairs Committee met recently to review and approve six legislative initiatives that establishes the ISDS 2024 Legislative agenda. These items include the following: dental loss ratio, modifications and clarifications to the electronic claim submission law, prior authorization provisions, Medicaid rates for anesthesia procedures, licensing efficiency measures under the Dental Practice Act, and teledentistry.

Detail: The Governmental Affairs Committee reviewed and approved six legislative initiatives to create the 2024 legislative agenda. These items include the following: dental loss ratio, modifications and clarifications to the electronic claim submission law, prior authorization provisions, Medicaid rates for anesthesia procedures, licensing efficiency measures under the Dental Practice Act, and teledentistry. The Committee also heard updates regarding licensure issues at IDFPR, permit A (Moderate Sedation) licensing, and the fall veto session.

2024 Legislative Session

The 2024 legislative session will be the 2nd year of the 103rd General Assembly. The 2nd year is typically reserved for emergency and budgetary items only. This is also an election year. Therefore, legislative leadership will be more selective on what pieces of legislation are allowed to move through the process. The number of bills that will be allowed to move through the process is expected to be less than normal. The legislative session will begin on January 16, 2024 and is expected to conclude at the end of May.

2024 ISDS Legislative Agenda

Dental Loss Ratio

In 2023, ISDS pursued legislation that would establish a dental loss ratio in Illinois. The dental loss ratio would be established at 80% with a refund provision for insurers who do not meet the minimum threshold of 80%.

ISDS had a full marketing campaign, titled “More for Your Smile” to promote the need for dental insurance reform in Illinois. The dental loss ratio legislation was a part of the campaign along with two other dental insurance reform measures. We held a press conference, have a dedicated website, and created a video to further outline the issue.

Despite the strong efforts of ISDS, the insurance industry had very strong opposition. Therefore, the legislation was unable to pass. Dental insurance reform is critical to our members and legislation of this magnitude takes time to pass. Therefore, the Governmental Affairs Committee has recommended to pursue this legislation again in 2024.

A recommendation was made to pursue the dental loss ratio legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.

Electronic Claims Submission

During the 2021 legislative session, legislation was passed that beginning January 1, 2025 all dentists and dental insurance carriers will be required to exchange insurance claims and payment for claims electronically. This legislation was an initiative of Delta Dental of Illinois. The legislation requires the Illinois Department of Insurance to establish rules for the implementation of the requirement. This was signed into law in 2021.

Since the passage of that legislation, the Dental Benefits Committee established an electronic claims workgroup, chaired by Dr. Randall Markarian, to establish parameters for the rules that are to follow including exemptions and seeking real time benefit verification.

Instead of submitting these rules to the Department of Insurance, the Governmental Affairs Committee has approved seeking legislation in the 2024 legislative session to clarify the parameters around this requirement. The proposed legislation outlines the exemptions, requires insurers to allow the dentist to receive alternative payment options, and the insurer to provide real time benefit and eligibility verification. The draft in this packet is not the final draft. ISDS staff is still working with ADA staff for technical assistance.

A recommendation was made to pursue the electronic claims submission legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.

Prior Authorization

Dental insurance reform continues to be a key priority for ISDS and its members. To continue the efforts to pursue dental insurance reform, the Governmental Affairs Committee approved pursuing legislation regarding prior authorization in the 2024 legislative session.

The legislation requires insurance companies to honor the prior authorization unless they meet one of five criteria outlined in the legislation. An example of this criteria would be falsified claim information. The draft legislation is mirrored after a prior authorization law in Oklahoma and very similar to the model legislation from the National Council of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL).

A recommendation was made to pursue the prior authorization legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.

Medicaid and Anesthesia

An issue in Medicaid that keeps coming up has been coverage for anesthesia, especially for the pediatric population and even more specifically special needs and developmentally disabled pediatric patients. This issue is complex and multifaceted. It is drawing the attention of legislators including U.S. Senator Dick Durbin. This will be a very lengthy process to address.

First, it needs to be noted that ISDS had a major win in this area recently. For the past two years, ISDS has been advocating to have the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (DHFS) remove the limitation on anesthesia units that can be billed for an anesthesia procedure in dental. DHFS had it limited to six 15-minute units, which meant any procedure more than 1.5 hours in length would only be paid for 1.5 hours. After two years of advocacy on this issue by ISDS, effective November 1, 2023, the cap limitation has been removed. It should be noted, Dr. Jim Benz has been very instrumental in these efforts.

To continue to address anesthesia coverage, ISDS is consistently hearing that the payment rate structure needs to be addressed. Therefore, legislation will need to be pursued to increase the rates for anesthesia. Therefore, the Governmental Affairs Committee is recommending legislation that would establish an enhanced rate for anesthesia and Medicaid services for developmentally disabled and special needs patients.

A recommendation was made to pursue increased rates for anesthesia coverage in the Medicaid program as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.

Dental Practice Act Licensing Issues

This past summer licensees have experienced some very serious licensing delays at Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR). These delays have affected new licensees, faculty limited licensee holders, and residents in training programs. These issues were reported on in great detail at the September 2023 ISDS Board meeting.

Since that time, ISDS staff, in conjunction with Dr. Brad Johnson from UIC, testified at a legislative hearing regarding these issues and outlined their impact on the dental community. Additionally, we have met with Secretary of IDFPR to communicate our concerns for the 2024 renewal cycle. We are continuing to work with IDFPR to address these issues.

As part of the delay issues, ISDS discovered some inefficiencies in the licensure process that need to be addressed legislatively. For example, if a new applicant applies for and is awarded a license in a renewal year, they pay the fees twice. If they want their license before the renewal period opens, they have to pay the initial license fee and the renewal fee during the renewal period. Therefore, the Governmental Affairs Committee is recommending legislation in the 2024 legislative session to address these issues. The legislation will allow those in specialty and residency programs, to practice in those programs only for three months while they wait on their license. Additionally, for those faculty limited license holders who should have not had to renew their license this past year due to fault of the Department, it waives the renewal fee for in 2024. Finally, the legislation waives the renewal fee for an applicant that was awarded a license in a renewal year.

A recommendation was made to pursue the Dental Practice Act licensing legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.

Teledentistry

For the past two years, ISDS has been pursuing legislation to regulate teledentistry in Illinois. The legislation seeks to require a patient to receive an in-person examination prior to using teledentistry in Illinois. ISDS has been working with the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) on this legislation. In the 2023 legislative session, ISDS received substantial opposition from the clear aligner industry. We tried to negotiate with the opposition but were unable to reach an agreement. Therefore, the legislation did not pass in the 2023 session. This was reported on extensively at the 2023 June ISDS Board meeting. During the 2024 session, there will still be substantial opposition to this legislation. Therefore, ISDS is in the process of establishing a marketing campaign around this issue.

The legislation will require an in-person and examination prior to using teledentistry in Illinois. Additionally, the current draft makes it a violation of the Consumer Fraud and Protection Act if a person violates the teledentistry section of the Dental Practice Act. The intent behind this provision is to engage the Attorney General more on the issue.

The Governmental Affairs Committee is recommending ISDS continue to pursue this legislation in the 2024 legislative session.

A recommendation was made to pursue teledentistry legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.

Dental Hygienists Applying Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF)

A member dentist had requested for ISDS to pursue legislation that would allow dental hygienists to apply silver diamine fluoride to patients. The committee reviewed the request from the member. The Committee was concerned about the technique required to apply SDF and agreed that it is really a

restorative procedure. Therefore, the committee did not pursue allowing dental hygienists to apply SDF as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.

The Chairman will work with ISDS staff to draft a letter to the member dentist outlining the committee's concerns with the proposal. There is no Board action required on this item.

Noncovered Services Legislation Request

A member dentist requested that ISDS make changes to the current noncovered services law in Illinois. The current noncovered service law in Illinois reflects a widely accepted model that was established by the National Council of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL). The law in place has been passed in several other states. The Committee chose not to pursue this request since we already have a law in place in Illinois. The Chairman will work with ISDS staff to draft a letter to the member dentist outlining the decision of the Committee. There is no Board required at this time.

Dental Compact

At the national level, the American Dental Association (ADA) worked with the Council of State Governments (CSG), and U.S. Department of Defense (DOD), on State Legislatures, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the American Dental Hygienists Association (ADHA) to develop a dental and dental hygienist compact. The compact is designed to make it easier for individuals to be licensed in multiple states and move from across states easily. For the compact to be in effect, seven states still have to pass the compact in their state legislatures. At this time, only three states have passed it.

This past summer, the American Association of Dental Boards (AADB), opposed the compact developed by the ADA. The AADB developed their own compact this past summer.

The State of Illinois only has one compact. This is the medical compact which is not a true compact and is just an expedited licensure process. Historically, IDFPR has opposed all compact legislation.

There is a possibility that other dental organizations, including the Association of Dental Support Organizations and the Illinois Dental Hygienists' Association, will introduce the ADA compact as legislation in the 2024 session. ISDS is trying to confirm whether or not they will introduce the legislation. Therefore, the Committee discussed the position ISDS would take if it were to be introduced. The Committee discussed the current issues of state licensure and would like to continue to focus on the current issues instead of introducing a new licensing process.

A recommendation was made to the ISDS Board of Trustees that ISDS' position on the compact be that ISDS will not take a position on the compact because focus and priority needs to be on addressing the current licensure issues in the State of Illinois.

Potential Legislation from the Illinois Prescription Monitoring Program

In the past couple months, ISDS was made aware of a potential proposal that may be coming forth in the 2024 legislative session regarding the Illinois Prescription Monitoring Program (ILPMP). The potential proposal includes requiring prescribers to enter diagnostic codes when entering prescriptions into the ILPMP. ISDS, along with the Illinois State Medical Society and the Illinois Society for Advanced Practice Nursing, are working to try to defeat this proposal prior to the 2024 legislative session. We are working collaboratively to obtain more information on the proposal and will provide more information as it becomes available.

Medical Anesthesiologists Billing Dental D Codes in Medicaid Program

ISDS was approached by Ambulatory Management Solutions, which is a group of medical anesthesiologists that provide anesthesia services in pediatric dental offices. Right now, they bill anesthesia services under the medical codes in the Medicaid program. Medicaid only allows dentists to bill the dental D codes.

AMS wanted ISDS to support their legislative effort to be able to bill the dental D Codes. AMS had already approached the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (DHFS) on the issue. It is our understanding DHFS told them to discuss the issue with ISDS.

The Governmental Affairs Committee discussed the issue. The Committee discussed how dental cannot bill medical codes and what this proposal would do to the cost of the Medicaid program. The Committee would like to have more information from DHFS directly. There is no Board action needed at this time.

IDFPR- Dental Practice Animals in the Office

Through informal communication, there had been a request for ISDS to include language in the Dental Practice Act that would allow for IDFPR to have rule making authority to regulate animals in the dental office.

ISDS already addressed this issue during the 2023 legislative session. At that time, IDFPR asked ISDS to put provisions in the Dental Practice Act for animals in the dental office because they had received complaints. Therefore, under our legislation in the Dental Practice Act a violation was created in the Act if a dentist does not maintain a sanitary work environment.

The Governmental Affairs Committee discussed the additional request for rulemaking authority to regulate animals in the dental office. The Committee decided IDFPR should seek this provision as their own initiative. There is no further Board action needed at this time.

Illinois Dental Hygienists' Association (IDHA) Potential Legislation

During the fall veto session, ISDS staff had a conversation with the IDHA lobbyist regarding potential 2024 legislation. The IDHA agenda is not final yet but it appears there are two points of interest for them to introduce. First, they are looking at introducing the dental compact legislation in Illinois. Secondly, there is potential legislation that would allow a Public Health Dental Hygienist (PHDH) to be able to take x-rays under their current collaborative agreement.

ISDS told IDHA to provide bill language on these proposals before any further comment would be provided.

The Governmental Affairs Committee discussed the potential of these proposals and had concerns regarding the ability for a PHDH to take an x-ray. More information will be provided, as it becomes available.

Delta Dental of Illinois (DDIL) Holding Company Legislation

During the 2023 legislative session, DDIL introduced legislation that would have allowed them to create a holding company and eliminate dentist representation from their Board. ISDS was concerned about the elimination of the dentists from the DDIL Board of Trustees. ISDS opposed the legislation.

Right before the Committee hearing, ISDS and DDIL came to an agreement that DDIL could have the holding company but had to maintain the dentist's representation. Following the hearing, ISDS and DDIL were unable to come an agreement on legislative language to address this agreement. This issue is very technical and a complicated part of the law. ISDS did hire outside legal counsel to assist with this issue.

Over the summer, ISDS and DDIL met to discuss the legislation. We outlined our concerns to DDIL. Following that discussion, DDIL is supposed to send ISDS a draft of legislation to address the concerns discussed. We anticipate DDIL will file this legislation again in the 2024 session.

Fall Veto Session- IDFPR Procurement Bill Support

During the fall veto session, IDFPR introduced legislation to use the emergency procurement process to obtain a new licensure system. IDFPR had been in the process of trying to obtain a new system through the State's normal procurement process but that request was denied. This new system is expected to address many of the issues with the current licensure process.

Several healthcare organizations, including ISDS, supported the legislation for IDFPR to use the emergency procurement process. ISDS agreed this legislation is necessary to set the State in the right direction to address some of the licensing issues. ISDS was also quoted in a news story regarding the importance of a new licensure system for our members and our patients.

Capital Conference 2024

The 2024 Capital Conference will be held on Wednesday, April 17, 2024. ISDS has already been advertising this date to our members so it can be on their schedules and they can attend. ISDS is in the process of working with the dental schools to be able to have the students to attend.

Permit A (Moderate Sedation) Licensing Issue

The Governmental Affairs Committee held a Zoom meeting in October to allow pediatric dentists to present information regarding issues with Permit A (moderate sedation permit) licensing at the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) and request action from ISDS to address the issue.

Permit A (Moderate Sedation Permit) Licensing Issue

Permit A is the permit that dentists who administer moderate sedation hold. There are state rules that outline what is required to obtain this permit. One of the application requirements is for an applicant to "submit supervised experience in providing moderate sedation to 20 or more patients." There has been an issue recently about how IDFPR is interpreting the type of cases they will accept as part of the application. IDFPR is interpreting the rule to say those cases have to be IV sedation cases. This interpretation has caused some issues for pediatric dentists whose training is primarily focused on oral sedation. This issue has been ongoing for a while.

To further outline the issue for pediatric dentist, Dr. David Avenetti, Dr. Sahar Alrayyes, and Dr. Flavia Lamberghini presented to the Governmental Affairs Committee to outline their concerns back in October. Scott Litch from the American Academy Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) also was in attendance. They presented the issues to the Committee and requested action from ISDS to address this.

They requested ISDS action for the following items to be taken to IDFPR:

- 1.) Process current sedation permit applications without delay, until and unless there is a law or regulatory change
- 2.) Request the Dental Board be more transparent with meetings
 - a. Minutes and when meetings will be held
 - b. Follow "Open Meetings Act"
 - c. Fulfill fiduciary duty to keep public informed

- 3.) Engage stakeholders in discussion/development or proposed rule changes
- 4.) Support a pediatric dentist on the Dental Board
- 5.) Maintain “level of sedation” rather than “route of administration” as training requirement

Following their presentation, the Committee went into a closed session to discuss the requests.

Following a lengthy discussion of the Committee, they made the following recommendations to the ISDS Executive Committee for further action:

- 1.) To explain to the pediatric dentists the process of which ISDS submits recommendations to the Secretary of IDFPR for State Board of Dentistry Board Members and encourage them to use that process instead of changing the current makeup of the State Board of Dentistry.
- 2.) ISDS to issue a letter to IDFPR requesting more detailed information about the current interpretation of the statute and rules.
- 3.) ISDS to connect them with individuals at IDFPR for the pediatric dentists to have further conversation with IDFPR about their concerns.

The Executive Committee agreed with the Governmental Affairs Committee’s recommendations and to communicate the actions to the pediatric dentists through the Chair of the ISDS Governmental Affairs Committee. This letter has been sent and received by the pediatric dentists.

Below is the current status of the three recommendations:

Recommendation #1 (Process for State Board of Dentistry): The current and established process has been explained in a letter to the pediatric dentists that presented to the Governmental Affairs Committee.

Recommendation #2 (ISDS letter to IDFPR): ISDS has issued a letter to IDFPR to request more information regarding their current interpretation. IDFPR has indicated they are still working on their response to ISDS.

Recommendation #3 (Connection to express concerns): ISDS did offer to assist the pediatric dentists to discuss their concerns about transparency directly with IDFPR regarding the State Board of Dentistry. The pediatric dentists responded to our letter and would like our assistance in this matter. ISDS will begin the process of scheduling this meeting with the appropriate staff at IDFPR.

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

The Governmental Affairs Committee has been tasked with the following plan item “Expand Legislative Impact (with an emphasis on dental insurance reform)”.

The Governmental Affairs Committee has recommended the following legislative measures to continue to pursue dental insurance reform in Illinois:

- Dental Loss Ratio
- Electronic Claims Submission
- Prior Authorization

Additionally, this past summer, this Committee has been addressing the licensing issues in the State. Also, this fall the Committee has started the process of obtaining information about the moderate sedation permit issue with pediatric dentists.

In the future, the Committee will begin to focus on how to further expand ISDS grassroots advocacy efforts.

U.S. Senator Dick Durbin

In August, U.S. Senator Dick Durbin’s office sent ISDS a letter requesting a response for a total of 9 questions that covered topics such as dental provider participation in the State Medicaid program,

Medicare, private market insurance recommendations, and workforce shortages. This letter is included in this packet.

ISDS responded to all of the questions where we outlined the following issues: low reimbursement rates, lack of state investment, and administrative barriers, as it all relates to the Medicaid program. ISDS worked with the ADA to provide responses to questions that were related to the federal government. This letter is included in this packet.

ISDS continued to discuss the issues with Senator Durbin's Office. Recently, Senator Durbin issued a letter to all of the Managed Care Organizations in Illinois asking a variety of questions related to their business practice with providing coverage for dental care under the Illinois Medicaid program. A copy of the press release is included in this packet.

ISDS looks forward to continuing to work with U.S. Senator Durbin and his staff on addressing issues in the Medicaid program.

Recommendations:

- 1. A recommendation was made to pursue the dental loss ratio legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.**
- 2. A recommendation was made to pursue the electronic claims submission legislation with as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.**
- 3. A recommendation was made to pursue the prior authorization legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.**
- 4. A recommendation was made to pursue increased rates for anesthesia coverage in the Medicaid program as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.**
- 5. A recommendation was made to pursue the Dental Practice Act licensing legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.**
- 6. A recommendation was made to pursue teledentistry legislation as part of the 2024 legislative agenda.**
- 7. A recommendation was made to the ISDS Board of Trustees that ISDS' position on the Compact will be that ISDS will not take a position on the Compact because the focus and priority needs to be on addressing the current licensure issues in the State of Illinois.**

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*******The following pages are drafts of the proposed
legislation. *******

Dental Loss Ratio

*****DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY*****

1 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be referred to as the
2 Dental Loss Ratio Act.

3 Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

4 "Dental care provider" means a dentist who bills for
5 services in Illinois.

6 "Dental loss ratio" means the ratio of incurred claims to
7 earned premiums as calculated using the formula under Section
8 10 of this Act.

9 "Dental plan carrier" means an entity subject to the
10 insurance laws, rules, and regulations of this State or
11 subject to the jurisdiction of the Director that contracts or
12 offers to contract to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for,
13 or reimburse any of the costs of dental care services,

1 including an accident and health insurance company, a health
2 maintenance organization, a limited health service
3 organization, a dental service plan corporation, a health
4 services plan corporation, a voluntary health services plan,
5 or any other entity providing a plan of dental insurance,
6 dental benefits, or dental health care services.

7 "Department" means the Department of Insurance.

8 "Director" means the Director of Insurance.

9 "Earned premiums" means the portion of the premium paid in
10 the reporting year that is intended to provide coverage during
11 that reporting period.

12 "Incurred claims" means the claims for which services were
13 provided in that reporting year. "Incurred claims" includes
14 claims that were paid in the reporting year plus unpaid claim
15 reserves for claims paid after the reporting year.

16 Section 10. Dental loss ratio reporting.

17 (a) A health insurer or dental plan carrier that issues,
18 sells, renews, or offers a specialized health insurance policy
19 covering dental services shall, beginning January 1, 2025,
20 annually submit to the Department the dental loss ratio
21 calculated in accordance with subsection (c). The annual
22 filing shall, at a minimum, include rates, rating schedules,
23 and supporting documentation, including ratios of incurred
24 claims to earned premiums for each calendar year since the
25 plan's issuance. The required information shall be in the form

1 established by the Department and shall demonstrate that each
2 plan complies with the minimum dental loss ratio standards.

3 (b) The annual filing shall be made publicly available on
4 the Department's website.

5 (c) The dental loss ratio for a dental plan or dental
6 coverage of a health benefit plan shall be determined by
7 dividing the numerator by the denominator as follows:

8 (1) The numerator is the amount spent on dental care.

9 The amount spent on dental care shall include:

10 (A) the amount expended for clinical dental
11 services that are services within the Code on Dental
12 Procedures and Nomenclature, provided to enrollees
13 that includes payments under capitation contracts with
14 dental providers, and covered by the contract for
15 dental clinical services or supplies covered by the
16 contract;

17 (B) reserves and liabilities established to
18 account for claims that were incurred during the
19 reporting year but were not paid within 3 months of the
20 end of the reporting year; and

21 (C) any claim payment recovered by insurers from
22 providers or enrollees using utilization management
23 efforts, but which shall be deducted from incurred
24 claims amounts.

25 (2) The calculation of the numerator does not include:

26 (A) any overpayment that has already been received

1 from providers that should not be reported as a paid
2 claim; overpayment recoveries received from providers
3 must be deducted from incurred claims amounts;

4 (B) all administrative costs, including, but not
5 limited to, infrastructure, personnel costs, or broker
6 payments;

7 (C) amounts paid to third-party vendors for
8 secondary network savings;

9 (D) amounts paid to third-party vendors for
10 network development, administrative fees, claims
11 processing, and utilization management; or

12 (E) amounts paid to providers for professional or
13 administrative services that do not represent
14 compensation or reimbursement for covered services
15 provided to an enrollee, including, but not limited
16 to, dental record copying costs, attorney's fees,
17 subrogation vendor fees, compensation to
18 paraprofessionals, janitors, quality assurance
19 analysts, administrative supervisors, secretaries to
20 dental personnel, and dental record clerks.

21 (3) The denominator is the total amount of the earned
22 premium revenues, excluding federal and State taxes and
23 licensing and regulatory fees paid after accounting for
24 any payments pursuant to federal law. In this paragraph,
25 "earned premium revenues" means all moneys paid by a
26 policyholder or subscriber as a condition of receiving

1 coverage from the issuer, including any fees or other
2 contributions associated with the dental plan.

3 (d) If the Director decides to conduct an examination
4 because the Director finds it necessary to verify a health
5 insurer's or dental plan carrier's representation in a dental
6 loss ratio report, then the Department shall provide the
7 health insurer or dental plan carrier with a notification 30
8 days before the commencement of the examination.

9 (e) The health insurer or dental plan carrier shall have
10 30 days after the date of notification to electronically
11 submit to the Department all requested records specified by
12 the Department. The Director may extend the time for a health
13 insurer or dental plan carrier to comply with this examination
14 upon a finding of good cause.

15 Section 15. Dental loss ratio requirement.

16 (a) A health insurer or dental plan carrier that issues,
17 sells, renews, or offers a specialized health insurance policy
18 covering dental services shall meet a minimum dental loss
19 ratio requirement of 80%.

20 (b) If the minimum dental loss ratio is not met, then the
21 Department shall require a corrective action plan from the
22 carrier to return excess premiums.

23 Section 20. Rulemaking. The Department may adopt rules to
24 implement this Act.

1 Section 25. Exemptions. This Act does not apply to an
2 insurance policy issued, sold, renewed, or offered for health
3 care services or coverage provided as a function of the State
4 of Illinois Medicaid coverage for children or adults or
5 disability insurance for covered benefits in the single
6 specialized area of dental-only health care that pays benefits
7 on a fixed benefit, cash payment-only basis.

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
9 1, 2025.".

Electronic Claims Submission Legislation Draft

****FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY****

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Uniform Electronic Transactions in Dental Care Billing Act.

Section 5. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to standardize the forms used in the billing and reimbursement of dental care, reduce the number of forms used, increase efficiency in the reimbursement of dental care through standardization, and encourage the use of and prescribe a timetable for implementation of electronic data interchange of dental care expenses and reimbursement.

Section 10. Applicability. Except as may be otherwise specifically provided, this Act applies to all dental plan carriers.

Section 15. Definitions. As used in this Act:

"Department" means the Department of Insurance.

"Director" means the Director of Insurance.

"Dental care provider" means a dentist who bills for services in Illinois.

"Dental plan carrier" means an entity subject to the insurance laws and regulations of this State or subject to the

jurisdiction of the Director that contracts or offers to contract to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any of the costs of dental care services, including an accident and health insurance company, a health maintenance organization, a limited health service organization, a dental service plan corporation, a health services plan corporation, a voluntary health services plan, or any other entity providing a plan of dental insurance, dental benefits, or dental health care services.

“Portal” means an internet website or reasonably similar method of sharing information to provide resources and information defined in this section to dentists and subscribers. Any electronic or virtual portal must be compatible to dental software so universal accessibility may be achieved.

Section 20. Uniform electronic claims and eligibility transactions required.

(a) Beginning January 1, ~~2025~~2026, no dental plan carrier is required to accept from a dental care provider eligibility for a dental plan transaction or dental care claims or equivalent encounter information transaction except as provided in this Act.

(b) All dental plan carriers and dental care providers must exchange claims and eligibility information electronically using

the standard electronic data interchange transactions for claims submissions, payments, and verification of benefits required under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act in order to be compensable by the dental plan carrier.

Section 25. Rules; modification of rules.

(a) The Department ~~shall~~ may adopt rules as necessary to implement this Act and may establish further exemptions to this Act by rule.

(b) A dental plan carrier or dental care provider may not add to or modify the uniform electronic claims and eligibility requirements adopted by the Department.

Section 30. Exemptions

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this law a dental care provider shall not be required to submit claims electronically under any of the one following circumstances:

- 1.) A dental practice that, including the dentist, has four full time or less equivalents employed at the dental practice.
- 2.) There is a temporary technological or electrical failure that prevents a claim from being submitted electronically.

- 3.) A dental care provider who graduated dental school in 1985 or years prior.
- 4.) A dental care provider who has graduated dental school in the 10 years prior to the effective date of this Act and meets one of the following criteria:
 - a. Has started his or her own practice.
 - b. A purchase of a practice that has been previously exempted from the requirements of this Act.
- 5.) A dental provider who demonstrates financial difficulties in buying or managing an electronic claims submission software system.
- 6.) A dental care provider has a disability and/or medical reason that prohibits them from submitting claims electronically.
- 7.) A temporary doctor operating a practice for another dentist who is temporarily unable to practice.
8.) Other unforeseen practice disruptions such as but not limited to natural disasters, physical damage to the practice, and damage to the data system.

Section 35. Eligibility and Benefit Verification

A. System Requirements and Reporting

Each dental plan carrier shall establish a portal as defined herein and shall include information about each type of subscription contract which is sufficient to allow subscribers and dentists to determine the covered services under each subscription contract and the payment or reimbursement amounts for those covered services at the procedure level. Such information shall include where appropriate:

1. Effective Date of Plan
2. Status of Plan
3. Termination Date of Plan
4. Coordination of Benefits - standard or non-duplicating
5. Claim Address
6. Payer ID
7. Covered Services
8. Does deductible apply and to which services
9. Remaining Deductible: Family
10. Remaining Deductible: Individual
11. Preferred-in-network co-insurance amount
12. In-network Co-insurance amount
13. Out-of-network Co-insurance amount

14. Preferred-in-network co-pay amount
15. In-network Co-pay amount
16. Out-of-network Co-pay amount
17. Remaining Plan Maximum
18. Remaining Lifetime Maximum
19. Last treatment plan payment date applied to annual maximum or deductible to help determine if benefit has been used outside of primary office
20. Age limitation
21. Frequency limit by time period
22. Frequency limit by tooth number
23. Next Available Service Date based on any frequency limit due to prior treatment history or added custom benefits e.g. medical conditions, roll-over
24. Missing Tooth Clause
25. Number of Quads Benefited Per Visit
26. Waiting Period due to pre-existing condition/missing tooth limitation
27. Prior Authorization requirements
28. Processing policies [e.g. bundling, downcoding, LEAT, disallowed in conjunction with, limitations by location]
29. A comprehensive list of all current ADA Codes stating if they are covered, the percentage of coverage and if there are any conditions that preclude coverage."

B. Eligibility and Benefits

At minimum the portal shall provide current and accurate real-time benefit eligibility and benefits information. It is the responsibility of the dental plan carrier to ensure patient eligibility and benefits reporting is timely and accurate.

Section 40. Dental Plan Carrier Requirements

A dental plan carrier must provide the following:

- A) An electronic portal, that is HIPAA compliant, that allows dental care providers to submit claims electronically and directly to dental plan carrier. The portal shall be provided free of charge to the dental care provider.
- B) Must accept attachments, such as but not limited to x-rays and other supporting information for claims, in an electronic format with the initial electronic claim's submission and any further submissions thereafter
- C) Remittance advice with the corresponding payment that outlines individually per claim, the name of the patient, the date of service; the service code or if no service code is available a service description, the amount being paid,

claim number, and other identifying claim information found
on an explanation of benefits form.

Section 45. Payment

Nothing in this Act shall require a dental care provider to only
accept electronic payment from a dental plan carrier. Dental
plan carriers shall allow alternative forms of payment, without
occurring additional fees or charges, to a dental care provider,
if requested.

Prior Authorization Legislation Draft

****DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY****

(215 ILCS) Insurance Code New Section.

For the purposes of this section, "prior authorization" means any predetermination, prior authorization, or similar authorization that is verifiable, whether through issuance or letter, facsimile, email or similar means, indicating that a specific procedure is, or multiple procedures are, covered under the patient's dental plan and reimbursable at a specific amount, subject to applicable coinsurance and deductibles, and issued in response to a request submitted by a dentist using a format prescribed by the insurer.

No insurer, dental service plan corporation, insurance network leasing company, or any company that amends, delivers, issues, or renews an individual or group policy of accident and health insurance on or after the effective date of this Amendatory Act shall deny any claim subsequently submitted for procedures specifically included in a prior authorization unless at least one of the following circumstances applies for each procedure denied:

- 1.) Benefit limitations such as annual maximums and frequency limitations not applicable at the time of the prior authorization are reached due to utilization subsequent to issuance of the prior authorization;
- 2.) The documentation for the claim provided by the person submitting the claim clearly fails to support the claim as originally authorized;
- 3.) If, subsequent to the issuance of the prior authorization, new procedures are provided to the patient or a change in the condition of the patient occurs such that the prior authorized procedure would no longer be considered medically necessary, based on the prevailing standard of care;
- 4.) If, subsequent to the issuance of the prior authorization, new procedures are provided to the patient or a change in the condition of the patient occurs such that the prior authorized procedure would at that time required disapproval pursuant to the terms and conditions for coverage under the plan for the patient in effect at the time the prior authorization was used; or
- 5.) The denial of the dental service contractor was due to one of the following:
 - a. Another payor is responsible for the payment

- b. The dentist has already been paid for the procedures identified on the claim;
- c. The claim was submitted fraudulently or the prior authorization was based in whole or material part on the erroneous information provide to the insurer, dental service plan corporation, insurance network leasing company, or any company that amends, delivers, issues, or renews an individual or group policy of accident and health insurance, or
- d. The person receiving the procedure was not eligible for the procedure on the date of service and the dental service contractor did not know, and with the exercise of reasonable care could not have known, of their eligibility status.
- e. The dental service contractor shall not recoup a claim solely due to a loss of coverage of a patient or ineligibility if, at the time of treatment, the contractor erroneously confirms coverage and eligibility, but had sufficient information available to it indicating that the patient was no longer covered or was ineligible for coverage.

Waiver Prohibited.

The provisions of this Section cannot be waived by contract. Any contractual arrangement in conflict with the provisions of this Section or that purports to waive any requirements of this Section is null and void.

Medicaid and Anesthesia

**** Draft for Discussion Purposes ONLY****

(305 ILCS 5)- NEW Section

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall establish an enhanced payment rate for anesthesia services for the developmentally disabled and special need patients that require anesthesia services for dental care.

Dental Practice Act Licensing Clean-Up

DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY

(225 ILCS 25/11) (from Ch. 111, par. 2311)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

Sec. 11. Types of dental licenses. The Department shall have the authority to issue the following types of licenses:

(a) General licenses. The Department shall issue a license authorizing practice as a dentist to any person who qualifies for a license under this Act. An applicant for a general dentist license shall be permitted to practice dentistry in a specialty or residency training program for a period of 3 months from the starting date of the program, unless authorized in writing by the Department to continue such practice for a period specified in writing by the Department. General license applicants practicing dentistry under this provision must supply the specialty or residency training program with proof of certified mail that the application was submitted to the Department. The applicant shall only be entitled to perform such acts as may be prescribed by and incidental to his or her program of residency or specialty training and shall not otherwise engage in the practice of dentistry in this State until their full license is

granted. The authority to practice shall terminate immediately upon: (1) the decision of the Department that the applicant has failed the examination; or (2) denial of licensure by the Department; or (3) withdrawal of the application.

(b) Specialty licenses. The Department shall issue a license authorizing practice as a specialist in any particular branch of dentistry to any dentist who has complied with the requirements established for that particular branch of dentistry at the time of making application. The Department shall establish additional requirements of any dentist who announces or holds himself or herself out to the public as a specialist or as being specially qualified in any particular branch of dentistry.

No dentist shall announce or hold himself or herself out to the public as a specialist or as being specially qualified in any particular branch of dentistry unless he or she is licensed to practice in that specialty of dentistry.

The fact that any dentist shall announce by card, letterhead or any other form of communication using terms as "Specialist," "Practice Limited To" or "Limited to Specialty of" with the name of the branch of dentistry practiced as a specialty, or shall use equivalent words or phrases to announce the same, shall be prima facie evidence that the dentist is holding himself or herself out to the public as a specialist.

(c) Temporary training licenses. Persons who wish to pursue specialty or other advanced clinical educational programs in an approved dental school or a hospital situated in this State, or persons who wish to pursue programs of specialty training in dental public health in public agencies in this State, may receive without examination, in the discretion of the Department, a temporary training license. In order to receive a temporary training license under this subsection, an applicant shall furnish satisfactory proof to the Department that:

(1) The applicant is at least 21 years of age and is of good moral character. In determining moral character under this Section, the Department may take into consideration any felony conviction of the applicant, but such a conviction shall not operate as bar to licensure;

(2) The applicant has been accepted or appointed for specialty or residency training by an approved hospital situated in this State, by an approved dental school situated in this State, or by a public health agency in this State the training programs of which are recognized and approved by the Department. The applicant shall indicate the beginning and ending dates of the period for which he or she has been accepted or appointed;

(3) The applicant is a graduate of a dental school or college approved and in good standing in the judgment of the

Department. The Department may consider diplomas or certifications of education, or both, accompanied by transcripts of course work and credits awarded to determine if an applicant has graduated from a dental school or college approved and in good standing. The Department may also consider diplomas or certifications of education, or both, accompanied by transcripts of course work and credits awarded in determining whether a dental school or college is approved and in good standing.

Temporary training licenses issued under this Section shall be valid only for the duration of the period of residency or specialty training and may be extended or renewed as prescribed by rule. The holder of a valid temporary training license shall be entitled thereby to perform acts as may be prescribed by and incidental to his or her program of residency or specialty training; but he or she shall not be entitled to engage in the practice of dentistry in this State.

(4) The applicant shall be permitted to practice dentistry for a period of 3 months from the starting date of the program, unless authorized in writing by the Department to continue such practice for a period specified in writing by the Department.
Applicants practicing dentistry under this provision must supply the specialty or residency training program with proof of certified mail that the application was submitted to the

Department. The applicant shall only be entitled to perform such acts as may be prescribed by and incidental to his or her program of residency or specialty training and shall not otherwise engage in the practice of dentistry in this State. The authority to practice shall terminate immediately upon: (1) the decision of the Department that the applicant has failed the examination; or (2) denial of licensure by the Department; or (3) withdrawal of the application.

A temporary training license may be revoked by the Department upon proof that the holder has engaged in the practice of dentistry in this State outside of his or her program of residency or specialty training, or if the holder shall fail to supply the Department, within 10 days of its request, with information as to his or her current status and activities in his or her specialty training program.

(225 ILCS 25/21) (from Ch. 111, par. 2321)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

Sec. 21. Fees. The fees for the administration and enforcement of this Act, including but not limited to original licensure, renewal, and restoration fees, shall be set by the Department by rule. However, the fee for application for renewal

of a license as a dentist or specialist is \$100 per year and the fee for application for renewal of a license as a dental hygienist is \$50 per year. The fees shall be nonrefundable. An applicant for initial licensure, who has applied for initial licensure during the time period beginning at least 6 months prior to the date of the start of the renewal period and until the date the renewal period is officially open for the specified renewal date, shall be waived the renewal fee for that specific renewal year.

For renewal year 2024, faculty restricted licensees who paid a renewal fee in the years 2022 and 2023 and incorrectly had their licenses expire, shall be waived the renewal fee for the 2024 license renewal cycle.

(Source: P.A. 92-523, eff. 2-8-02.)

Teledentistry Legislation Draft

Draft for Discussion Purposes Only

1 "Section 5. The Illinois Dental Practice Act is amended by
2 changing Sections 4, 17, 18.1, and 26 and by adding Section
3 46.5 as follows:

8 (225 ILCS 25/4) (from Ch. 111, par. 2304)

9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

10 Sec. 4. Definitions. As used in this Act:

11 "Address of record" means the designated address recorded
12 by the Department in the applicant's or licensee's application
13 file or license file as maintained by the Department's
14 licensure maintenance unit. It is the duty of the applicant or
15 licensee to inform the Department of any change of address and
16 those changes must be made either through the Department's

1 website or by contacting the Department.

2 "Department" means the Department of Financial and
3 Professional Regulation

4 "Secretary" means the Secretary of Financial and
5 Professional Regulation.

6 "Board" means the Board of Dentistry.

7 "Dentist" means a person who has received a general
8 license pursuant to paragraph (a) of Section 11 of this Act and
9 who may perform any intraoral and extraoral procedure required
10 in the practice of dentistry and to whom is reserved the
11 responsibilities specified in Section 17.

12 "Dental hygienist" means a person who holds a license
13 under this Act to perform dental services as authorized by
14 Section 18.

15 "Dental assistant" means an appropriately trained person
16 who, under the supervision of a dentist, provides dental
17 services as authorized by Section 17.

18 "Expanded function dental assistant" means a dental
19 assistant who has completed the training required by Section
20 17.1 of this Act.

21 "Dental laboratory" means a person, firm or corporation
22 which:

23 (i) engages in making, providing, repairing or
24 altering dental prosthetic appliances and other artificial
25 materials and devices which are returned to a dentist for
26 insertion into the human oral cavity or which come in

1 contact with its adjacent structures and tissues; and

2 (ii) utilizes or employs a dental technician to
3 provide such services; and

4 (iii) performs such functions only for a dentist or
5 dentists.

6 "Supervision" means supervision of a dental hygienist or a
7 dental assistant requiring that a dentist authorize the
8 procedure, remain in the dental facility while the procedure
9 is performed, and approve the work performed by the dental
10 hygienist or dental assistant before dismissal of the patient,
11 but does not mean that the dentist must be present at all times
12 in the treatment room.

13 "General supervision" means supervision of a dental
14 hygienist requiring that the patient be a patient of record,
15 that the dentist examine the patient in accordance with
16 Section 18 prior to treatment by the dental hygienist, and
17 that the dentist authorize the procedures which are being
18 carried out by a notation in the patient's record, but not
19 requiring that a dentist be present when the authorized
20 procedures are being performed. The issuance of a prescription
21 to a dental laboratory by a dentist does not constitute
22 general supervision.

23 "Public member" means a person who is not a health
24 professional. For purposes of board membership, any person
25 with a significant financial interest in a health service or
26 profession is not a public member.

1 "Dentistry" means the healing art which is concerned with
2 the examination, diagnosis, treatment planning and care of
3 conditions within the human oral cavity and its adjacent
4 tissues and structures, as further specified in Section 17.

5 "Branches of dentistry" means the various specialties of
6 dentistry which, for purposes of this Act, shall be limited to
7 the following: endodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery,
8 orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics, pediatric dentistry,
9 periodontics, prosthodontics, oral and maxillofacial
10 radiology, and dental anesthesiology.

11 "Specialist" means a dentist who has received a specialty
12 license pursuant to Section 11(b).

13 "Dental technician" means a person who owns, operates, or
14 is employed by a dental laboratory and engages in making,
15 providing, repairing, or altering dental prosthetic appliances
16 and other artificial materials and devices which are returned
17 to a dentist for insertion into the human oral cavity or which
18 come in contact with its adjacent structures and tissues.

19 "Informed consent" means legally valid consent that is
20 given by a patient or legal guardian, that is recorded in
21 writing or digitally, that authorizes intervention or
22 treatment services from the treating dentist, and that
23 documents agreement to participate in those services and
24 knowledge of the risks, benefits, and alternatives, including
25 the decision to withdraw from or decline treatment.

26 "Impaired dentist" or "impaired dental hygienist" means a

1 dentist or dental hygienist who is unable to practice with
2 reasonable skill and safety because of a physical or mental
3 disability as evidenced by a written determination or written
4 consent based on clinical evidence, including deterioration
5 through the aging process, loss of motor skills, abuse of
6 drugs or alcohol, or a psychiatric disorder, of sufficient
7 degree to diminish the person's ability to deliver competent
8 patient care.

9 "Nurse" means a registered professional nurse, a certified
10 registered nurse anesthetist licensed as an advanced practice
11 registered nurse, or a licensed practical nurse licensed under
12 the Nurse Practice Act.

13 "Patient of record" means a patient for whom the patient's
14 most recent dentist has obtained a relevant medical and dental
15 history and on whom the dentist has performed a physical an
16 examination within the last year and evaluated the condition
17 to be treated, including a review of the patient's most recent
18 x-rays.

19 "Dental responder" means a dentist or dental hygienist who
20 is appropriately certified in disaster preparedness,
21 immunizations, and dental humanitarian medical response
22 consistent with the Society of Disaster Medicine and Public
23 Health and training certified by the National Incident
24 Management System or the National Disaster Life Support
25 Foundation.

26 "Mobile dental van or portable dental unit" means any

1 self-contained or portable dental unit in which dentistry is
2 practiced that can be moved, towed, or transported from one
3 location to another in order to establish a location where
4 dental services can be provided.

5 "Public health dental hygienist" means a hygienist who
6 holds a valid license to practice in the State, has 2 years of
7 full-time clinical experience or an equivalent of 4,000 hours
8 of clinical experience, and has completed at least 42 clock
9 hours of additional structured courses in dental education in
10 advanced areas specific to public health dentistry.

11 "Public health setting" means a federally qualified health
12 center; a federal, State, or local public health facility;
13 Head Start; a special supplemental nutrition program for
14 Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) facility; a certified
15 school-based health center or school-based oral health
16 program; a prison; or a long-term care facility.

17 "Public health supervision" means the supervision of a
18 public health dental hygienist by a licensed dentist who has a
19 written public health supervision agreement with that public
20 health dental hygienist while working in an approved facility
21 or program that allows the public health dental hygienist to
22 treat patients, without a dentist first examining the patient
23 and being present in the facility during treatment, (1) who
24 are eligible for Medicaid or (2) who are uninsured and whose
25 household income is not greater than 200% of the federal
26 poverty level.

1 "Teledentistry" means the use of telehealth systems and
2 methodologies in dentistry and includes patient diagnosis,
3 treatment planning, care, and education delivery for a patient
4 of record using synchronous and asynchronous communications
5 under an Illinois licensed a dentist's authority as provided
6 under this Act.

7 (Source: P.A. 101-64, eff. 7-12-19; 101-162, eff. 7-26-19;
8 102-93, eff. 1-1-22; 102-588, eff. 8-20-21; 102-936, eff.
9 1-1-23.)

3 (225 ILCS 25/18.1)

4 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

5 Sec. 18.1. Public health dental supervision
6 responsibilities.

7 (a) When working together in a public health supervision
8 relationship, dentists and public health dental hygienists
9 shall enter into a public health supervision agreement. The
10 dentist providing public health supervision must:

11 (1) be available to provide an appropriate level of
12 contact, communication, collaboration, and consultation
13 with the public health dental hygienist and must meet
14 in-person with the public health dental hygienist at least
15 quarterly for review and consultation;

16 (2) have specific standing orders or policy guidelines
17 for procedures that are to be carried out for each
18 location or program, although the dentist need not be
19 present when the procedures are being performed;

20 (3) provide for the patient's additional necessary
21 care in consultation with the public health dental
22 hygienist;

23 (4) file agreements and notifications as required; and

24 (5) include procedures for creating and maintaining
25 dental records, including protocols for transmission of

1 all records between the public health dental hygienist and
2 the dentist following each treatment, which shall include
3 a notation regarding procedures authorized by the dentist
4 and performed by the public health dental hygienist and
5 the location where those records are to be kept.

6 Each dentist and hygienist who enters into a public health
7 supervision agreement must document and maintain a copy of any
8 change or termination of that agreement.

9 Dental records shall be owned and maintained by the
10 supervising dentist for all patients treated under public
11 health supervision, unless the supervising dentist is an
12 employee of a public health clinic or federally qualified
13 health center, in which case the public health clinic or
14 federally qualified health center shall maintain the records.

15 If a dentist ceases to be employed or contracted by the
16 facility, the dentist shall notify the facility administrator
17 that the public health supervision agreement is no longer in
18 effect. A new public health supervision agreement is required
19 for the public health dental hygienist to continue treating
20 patients under public health supervision.

21 A dentist entering into an agreement under this Section
22 may supervise and enter into agreements for public health
23 supervision with 2 public health dental hygienists. This shall
24 be in addition to the limit of 4 dental hygienists per dentist
25 set forth in subsection (g) of Section 18 of this Act.

26 (b) A public health dental hygienist providing services

1 under public health supervision may perform only those duties
2 within the accepted scope of practice of dental hygiene, as
3 follows:

4 (1) the operative procedures of dental hygiene,
5 consisting of oral prophylactic procedures, including
6 prophylactic cleanings, application of fluoride, and
7 placement of sealants;

8 (2) the exposure and processing of x-ray films of the
9 teeth and surrounding structures; and

10 (3) such other procedures and acts as shall be
11 prescribed by rule of the Department.

12 Any patient treated under this subsection (b) must be
13 examined by a dentist before additional services can be
14 provided by a public health dental hygienist. However, if the
15 supervising dentist, after consultation with the public health
16 hygienist, determines that time is needed to complete an
17 approved treatment plan on a patient eligible under this
18 Section, then the dentist may instruct the hygienist to
19 complete the remaining services prior to an oral examination
20 by the dentist. Such instruction by the dentist to the
21 hygienist shall be noted in the patient's records. Any
22 services performed under this exception must be scheduled in a
23 timely manner and shall not occur more than 30 days after the
24 first appointment date.

25 (c) A public health dental hygienist providing services
26 under public health supervision must:

1 (1) provide to the patient, parent, or guardian a
2 written plan for referral or an agreement for follow-up
3 that records all conditions observed that should be called
4 to the attention of a dentist for proper diagnosis;

5 (2) have each patient sign a permission slip or
6 consent form that informs them that the service to be
7 received does not take the place of regular dental
8 checkups at a dental office and is meant for people who
9 otherwise would not have access to the service;

10 (3) inform each patient who may require further dental
11 services of that need;

12 (4) maintain an appropriate level of contact and
13 communication with the dentist providing public health
14 supervision; and

15 (5) complete an additional 4 hours of continuing
16 education in areas specific to public health dentistry
17 yearly.

18 (d) Each public health dental hygienist who has rendered
19 services under subsections (c), (d), and (e) of this Section
20 must complete a summary report at the completion of a program
21 or, in the case of an ongoing program, at least annually. The
22 report must be completed in the manner specified by the
23 Division of Oral Health in the Department of Public Health
24 including information about each location where the public
25 health dental hygienist has rendered these services. The
26 public health dental hygienist must submit the form to the

1 dentist providing supervision for his or her signature before
2 sending it to the Division.

3 (e) Public health dental hygienists providing services
4 under public health supervision may be compensated for their
5 work by salary, honoraria, and other mechanisms by the
6 employing or sponsoring entity. Nothing in this Act shall
7 preclude the entity that employs or sponsors a public health
8 dental hygienist from seeking payment, reimbursement, or other
9 source of funding for the services provided.

10 (e-5) A patient who is provided services under a
11 supervision agreement by a public health dental hygienist as
12 described in this Section does not need to receive a
13 physical examination from a dentist prior to treatment, so
14 long as the public health dental hygienist consults with the
15 supervising dentist prior to performing the teledentistry
16 service.

17 (f) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2026.

18 (Source: P.A. 101-162, eff. 7-26-19.)

(225 ILCS 25/23) (from Ch. 111, par. 2323)

(Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 103-425)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

Sec. 23. Refusal, revocation or suspension of dental
licenses. The Department may refuse to issue or renew, or
may revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand or take
other disciplinary or non-disciplinary action as the
Department may deem proper, including imposing fines not to

exceed \$10,000 per violation, with regard to any license for any one or any combination of the following causes:

1. Fraud or misrepresentation in applying for or procuring a license under this Act, or in connection with applying for renewal of a license under this Act.
2. Inability to practice with reasonable judgment, skill, or safety as a result of habitual or excessive use or addiction to alcohol, narcotics, stimulants, or any other chemical agent or drug.
3. Willful or repeated violations of the rules of the Department of Public Health or Department of Nuclear Safety.
4. Acceptance of a fee for service as a witness, without the knowledge of the court, in addition to the fee allowed by the court.
5. Division of fees or agreeing to split or divide the fees received for dental services with any person for bringing or referring a patient, except in regard to referral services as provided for under Section 45, or assisting in the care or treatment of a patient, without the knowledge of the patient or his or her legal representative. Nothing in this item 5 affects any bona fide independent contractor or employment arrangements among health care professionals, health facilities, health care providers, or other

entities, except as otherwise prohibited by law. Any employment arrangements may include provisions for compensation, health insurance, pension, or other employment benefits for the provision of services within the scope of the licensee's practice under this Act. Nothing in this item 5 shall be construed to require an employment arrangement to receive professional fees for services rendered.

6. Employing, procuring, inducing, aiding or abetting a person not licensed or registered as a dentist or dental hygienist to engage in the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene. The person practiced upon is not an accomplice, employer, procurer, inducer, aider, or abetter within the meaning of this Act.

7. Making any misrepresentations or false promises, directly or indirectly, to influence, persuade or induce dental patronage.

8. Professional connection or association with or lending his or her name to another for the illegal practice of dentistry by another, or professional connection or association with any person, firm or corporation holding himself, herself, themselves, or itself out in any manner contrary to this Act.

9. Obtaining or seeking to obtain practice, money, or any

other things of value by false or fraudulent representations, but not limited to, engaging in such fraudulent practice to defraud the medical assistance program of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Department of Public Aid) under the Illinois Public Aid Code.

10. Practicing under a false or, except as provided by law, an assumed name.

11. Engaging in dishonorable, unethical, or unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public.

12. Conviction by plea of guilty or nolo contendere, finding of guilt, jury verdict, or entry of judgment or by sentencing for any crime, including, but not limited to, convictions, preceding sentences of supervision, conditional discharge, or first offender probation, under the laws of any jurisdiction of the United States that (i) is a felony under the laws of this State or (ii) is a misdemeanor, an essential element of which is dishonesty, or that is directly related to the practice of dentistry.

13. Permitting a dental hygienist, dental assistant or other person under his or her supervision to perform any operation not authorized by this Act.

14. Permitting more than 4 dental hygienists to be employed

under his or her supervision at any one time.

15. A violation of any provision of this Act or any rules promulgated under this Act.

16. Taking impressions for or using the services of any person, firm or corporation violating this Act.

17. Violating any provision of Section 45 relating to advertising.

18. Discipline by another U.S. jurisdiction or foreign nation, if at least one of the grounds for the discipline is the same or substantially equivalent to those set forth within this Act.

19. Willfully failing to report an instance of suspected child abuse or neglect as required by the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.

20. Gross negligence in practice under this Act.

21. The use or prescription for use of narcotics or controlled substances or designated products as listed in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, in any way other than for therapeutic purposes.

22. Willfully making or filing false records or reports in his or her practice as a dentist, including, but not limited to, false records to support claims against the dental assistance program of the Department of Healthcare

and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid).

23. Professional incompetence as manifested by poor standards of care.

24. Physical or mental illness, including, but not limited to, deterioration through the aging process, or loss of motor skills which results in a dentist's inability to practice dentistry with reasonable judgment, skill or safety. In enforcing this paragraph, the Department may compel a person licensed to practice under this Act to submit to a mental or physical examination pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 23b.

25. Gross or repeated irregularities in billing for services rendered to a patient. For purposes of this paragraph 25, "irregularities in billing" shall include:

(a) Reporting excessive charges for the purpose of obtaining a total payment in excess of that usually received by the dentist for the services rendered.

(b) Reporting charges for services not rendered.

(c) Incorrectly reporting services rendered for the purpose of obtaining payment not earned.

26. Continuing the active practice of dentistry while knowingly having any infectious, communicable, or

contagious disease proscribed by rule or regulation of the Department.

27. Being named as a perpetrator in an indicated report by the Department of Children and Family Services pursuant to the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act, and upon proof by clear and convincing evidence that the licensee has caused a child to be an abused child or neglected child as defined in the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.

28. Violating the Health Care Worker Self-Referral Act.

29. Abandonment of a patient.

30. Mental incompetency as declared by a court of competent jurisdiction.

31. A finding by the Department that the licensee, after having his or her license placed on probationary status, has violated the terms of probation.

32. Material misstatement in furnishing information to the Department.

33. Failing, within 60 days, to provide information in response to a written request by the Department in the course of an investigation.

34. Immoral conduct in the commission of any act, including, but not limited to, commission of an act of sexual misconduct related to the licensee's practice.

35. Cheating on or attempting to subvert the licensing examination administered under this Act.

36. A pattern of practice or other behavior that demonstrates incapacity or incompetence to practice under this Act.

37. Failure to establish and maintain records of patient care and treatment as required under this Act.

38. Failure to provide copies of dental records as required by law.

39. Failure to comply with the provisions of Section 54.4 of this Act.

All proceedings to suspend, revoke, place on probationary status, or take any other disciplinary action as the Department may deem proper, with regard to a license on any of the foregoing grounds, must be commenced within 5 years after receipt by the Department of a complaint alleging the commission of or notice of the conviction order for any of the acts described herein. Except for fraud in procuring a license, no action shall be commenced more than 7 years after the date of the incident or act alleged to have violated this Section. The time during which the holder of the license was outside the State of Illinois shall not be included within any period of time limiting the commencement of disciplinary action by the

Department.

All fines imposed under this Section shall be paid within 60 days after the effective date of the order imposing the fine or in accordance with the terms set forth in the order imposing the fine.

The Department may refuse to issue or may suspend the license of any person who fails to file a return, or to pay the tax, penalty or interest shown in a filed return, or to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty or interest, as required by any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue, until such time as the requirements of any such tax Act are satisfied.

Any dentist who has had his or her license suspended or revoked for more than 5 years must comply with the requirements for restoration set forth in Section 16 prior to being eligible for reinstatement from the suspension or revocation.

(Source: P.A. 99-492, eff. 12-31-15.)

NEW SECTION 54.4 Teledentistry

A dentist may only practice or utilize teledentistry on a patient of record. A dentist practicing dentistry through teledentistry is subject to the same standard of care and practice standards that are applicable to dental services

provided in a clinic or office setting. A dentist may provide and delegate dental services using teledentistry only under the supervision requirements as specified in this Act for in-person care. Prior to providing teledentistry services to a patient, a dentist must obtain informed consent from the patient as to the treatment proposed to be offered through teledentistry by the dentist. It shall be a violation of this Act for a provider of dental services rendering care through teledentistry to require a patient to sign an agreement that limits in any way the patient's ability to write a review of services received or file a complaint with the Department or other regulatory agency. The Department shall adopt rules to provide for the use of teledentistry in the State of Illinois.

Section 900. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act is amended by adding Section 2BBBB as follows:

(815) ILCS 505 2BBBB new)

Sec. 2BBBB. Violations of Teledentistry under the Illinois Dental Practice Act. Any person who violates Section 54.4 of the Illinois Dental Practice Act commits an unlawful practice within the meaning of this Act.

Member Services Committee

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary: *The Member Services Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The following is a summary of the recent endorsement rollouts and overview of the annual royalty income.*

Detail:

Rollout of new endorsements: At the September 21st Board of Trustee's meeting, 3 new endorsements were approved by the Board, BetterHelp, Merrill Lynch for 401k services, and iCore Connect for eprescribing services. Additionally, the TDIC Health Insurance endorsement was rolled out (approved at the March BOT meeting).

TDIC Health Insurance: In discussions with TDIC it was determined that the best approach would be to proceed with a soft launch to avoid overloading TDIC with a potential influx of phone calls. On October 19th, an email announcing the endorsement was sent to current TDIC policy holders, approximately 700 members. On November 17th, the next group, members on auto renewal, received the announcement email. As of November 17th, 1 policy has been issued, 16 quoted and an additional 22 leads which are not to the quoting stage yet.

The Merrill Lynch contract was signed on November 3rd, with the email announcement to membership going out on November 21st. Participants in old 401k offering were contacted on November 28th to make them aware that old offering will not be available after 2024. The hope is to move these plans over the Merrill Lynch plan during 2024, but each office will ultimately need to make that decision.

The iCore Connect contract was signed on November 7th, with the email announcement to membership going out on November 14th.

BetterHelp was rolled out to the membership on October 10th. This benefit, 1 month free and then a 15% discount ongoing, is available to dentists, hygienists and allied members. As of November 17th, 28 members have signed up with 14 actively using BetterHelp.

Overview of 2023 royalties:

Independent Dental Solutions (IDS): We continue to monitor our relationship with IDS. IDS is working on a few changes to the program, which were communicated to the Committee in November, 2022. ISDS staff met with IDS in September 2023 to discuss implementation of a new program which could potentially provide additional savings to members. Rollout of the new program likely won't be ready until Q3 of 2024. Royalties for 2023 will most likely be right around \$80,000, which would be a 22% increase over last year.

Best Card: We have seen another solid year of growth for the Best Card royalty with royalties expected to be up 20% over 2022. On November 9th, a marketing program was rolled out which offered \$125 in gift cards (\$100 from ISDS, \$25 from Best Card) and \$100 off of equipment if the member signs up for Best Card before May 31, 2024. This is being done to try and increase the number of members using Best Card. Best Card, which was born out of the Colorado Dental Association, provides low, no nonsense, transparent pricing to dental practices and also have a generous royalty program with ISDS.

At the end of September, 293 practices were utilizing Best Card, so there is still significant potential for growth.

Prosites: Still a relatively new endorsement which has seen approximately 25% increase over 2022. Currently 75 practices are utilizing Prosites. The plan is to launch a marketing program, similar to Best Card, in 2024 to try and increase utilization by the membership.

Others: Bank of America and ADS Midwest continue to provide a solid stream of royalty revenue, between \$90k-\$100k combined. Both of these deal with the purchase/sale of a dental practice, so they are significantly harder to predict as there aren't recurring customers. Currently royalties are very strong and is expected to continue for the next several years as the retirement wave continues.

Overall royalties have come back nicely after a bit of a drop last year and are expected to be approximately \$380,000 for the year. Going into 2024, we are hoping to continue growth through increased utilization of our current endorsements as well as new revenues from the endorsements rolled out in Q4 of 2023.

The Committee is continually looking to expand into new endorsement opportunities that can provide value for our diverse membership.

Committee Members:

Dr. Chris Larsen, Chair
Dr. Katie Buskirk
Dr. Todd Gray
Dr. Brandon Maddox
Dr. Bill Schlosser

Dr. Bitia Fayz
Dr. Richard Leyba, ISDS Board Liaison
Dr. Martin Ryan, New Dentist Committee Liaison
Mr. Nic Atkinson, ISDS Staff Liaison

Membership Committee December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary:

The Membership Committee met via Zoom on November 8th. During this meeting, which lasted just over an hour, Eric Larson presented the updated strategic plan, Gracie Tierney shared information on current membership numbers (included), and the committee was introduced to the upcoming changes in membership structures from the ADA.

Detail:

With 2024 being a license renewal year, we have seen an increase in Registered Dental Hygienists' membership. Many hygienists (and dentists) are being proactive in their membership renewal to ensure their access to CE offered at Midwinter.

Additionally, ISDS had a steady increase in membership throughout 2023. Though we are not quite back to pre-Covid numbers, we are steadily increasing each year.

Additionally, the 15 for 12 campaigns has been incredibly successful in recruiting non-members. We have had 51 dentists join ISDS, some for the first time, and others who were non-renews from previous years. This is due to the ability to register early for MidWinter and access to register for CE. With 2024 being a license renewal year, many dentists want that early access. We also worked with a Marketing Consultant to create a direct email campaign and targeted Facebook ads.

Our total hygienist membership is at 360, which is 118 more than last year, a nearly 50% increase. This grants the hygienists access to MidWinter. We plan to see this increase over the next two months. We **HIGHLY ENCOURAGE** dentists to enroll their hygienists and office personnel to take advantage of this membership opportunity, especially those wanting to attend MidWinter!

Please see the attached charts with the most up to date Membership metrics.

Strategic Initiatives as they relate to the 23-26 Strategic Plan: The Membership Committee will continue to champion the following Strategic Initiatives:

Increase Member Value: Membership Committee Members lead by example. They take an active role at the component level and engage with members to ensure that the needs of all ISDS members are being met. When new members join ISDS and attend component meetings, we ask that Membership Committee members make an extra effort in welcoming the dentist and facilitating introductions. The Membership Committee is an extension of the ISDS Membership department, and they assist in keeping members informed about events, and help drive engagement with the tripartite as a whole. They also work with Gracie to share ideas that may increase member value, address any concerns that may be a barrier to membership, and present their personal experiences as a member of ISDS.

Facilitate Information Management: Many members of the Membership Committee were present at Annual Session. This helps the committee take in more information and offer different perspectives. At the most recent Membership Committee Meeting, members were able to share their thoughts on Annual Session and what information will be relayed to their local components. Since the Membership Committee is divided into 11 members that geographically represent IL, this helps spread information

across the state. Additionally, this ensures that the voices of each district are represented in regards to membership and allows each district to offer their ideas and input.

Recommendations:

None at this time

Committee Members:

Dr. Gordon Barkley, Chair

Dr. Samuel Willens

Dr. Brittaney Mackesey

Dr. Lauren Hood-Olson

Dr. Samantha Arnold

Dr. Todd Gray

Dr. Bronwen Richards

Dr. Lauren Wilson

Dr. Michael Tauber

Ms. Tami Wanless, RHD

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Dr. Terri Tiersky, ADA Council on Membership

Dr. Tej Jadeja, New Dentist Liaison

Ms. Gracie Tierney, Staff Liaison

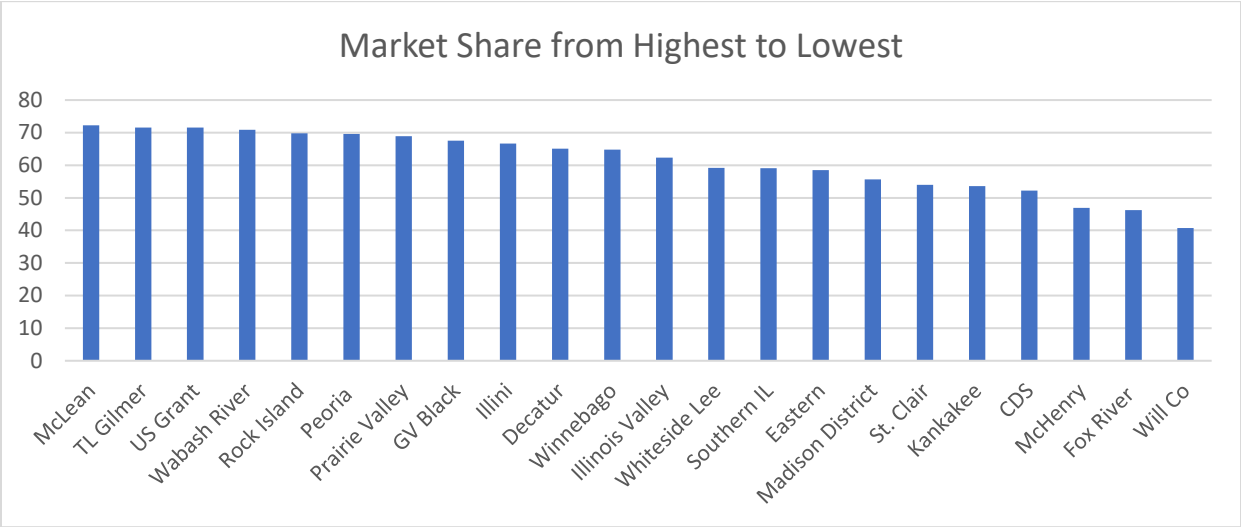
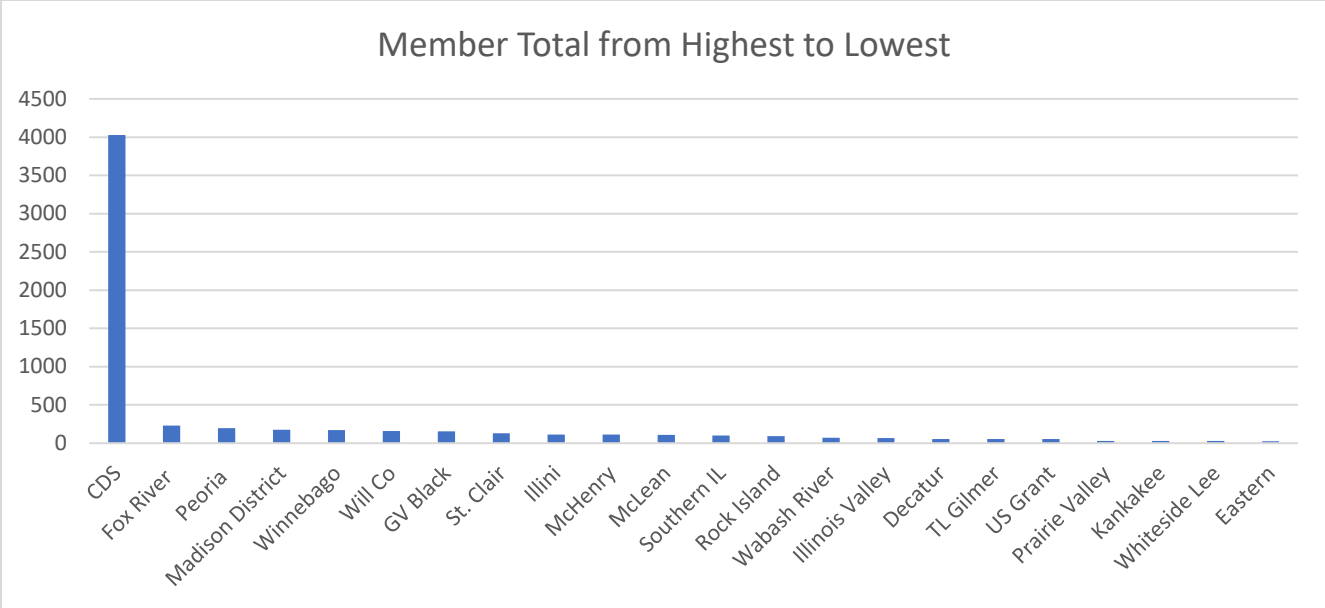
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2023 Membership Numbers

As of Nov. 17, 2023

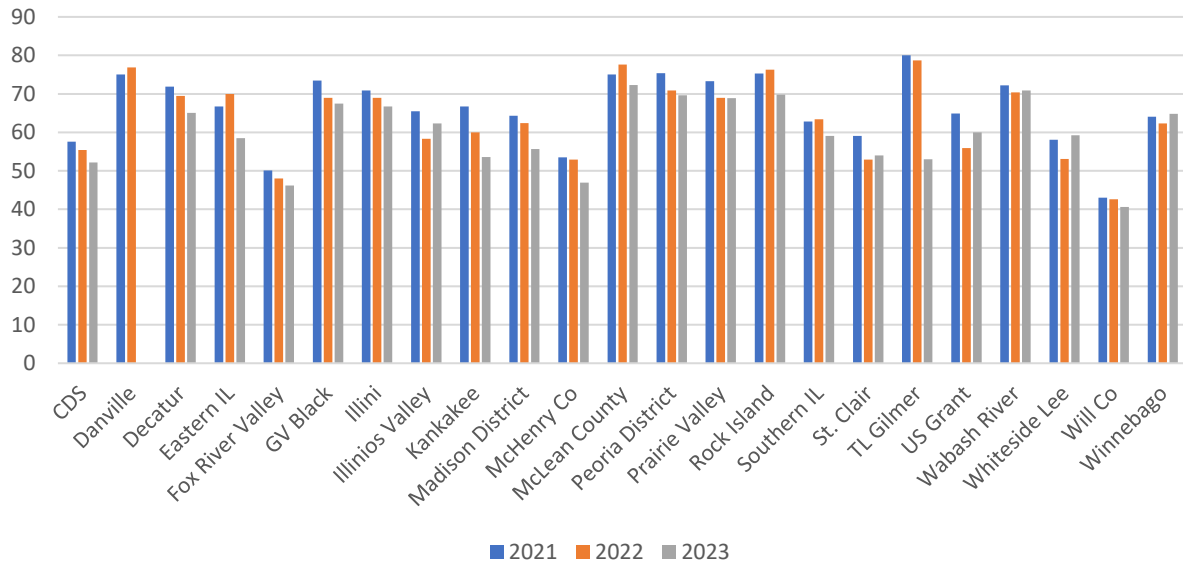
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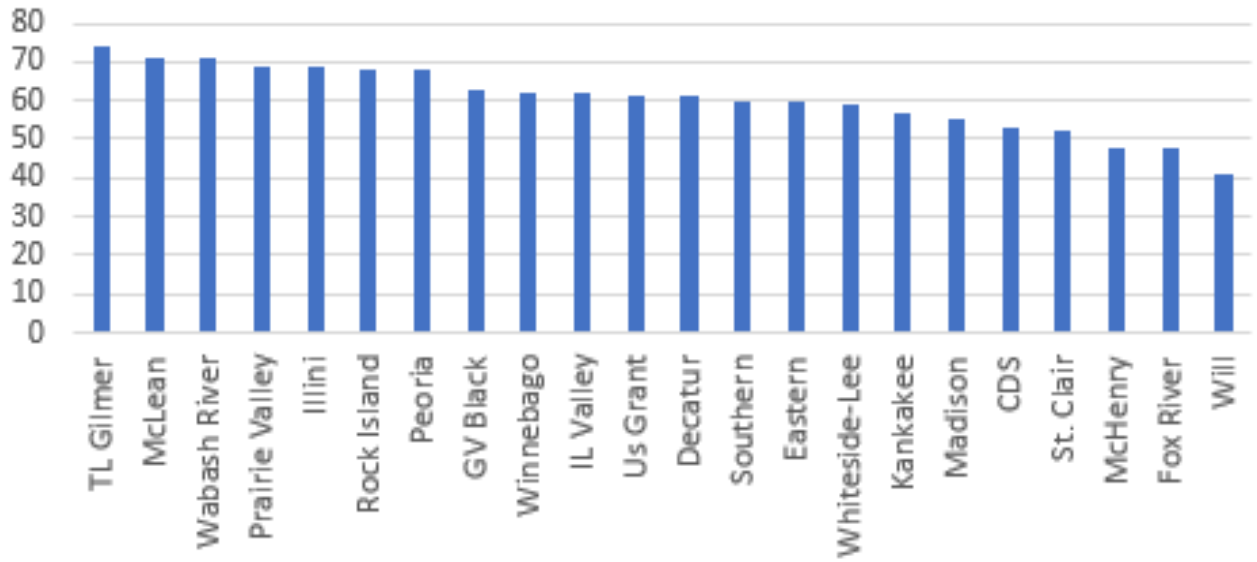


*Note: The below graph represents Market Share at the end of 2021 and 2022. The 2023 totals are only through the month of November.

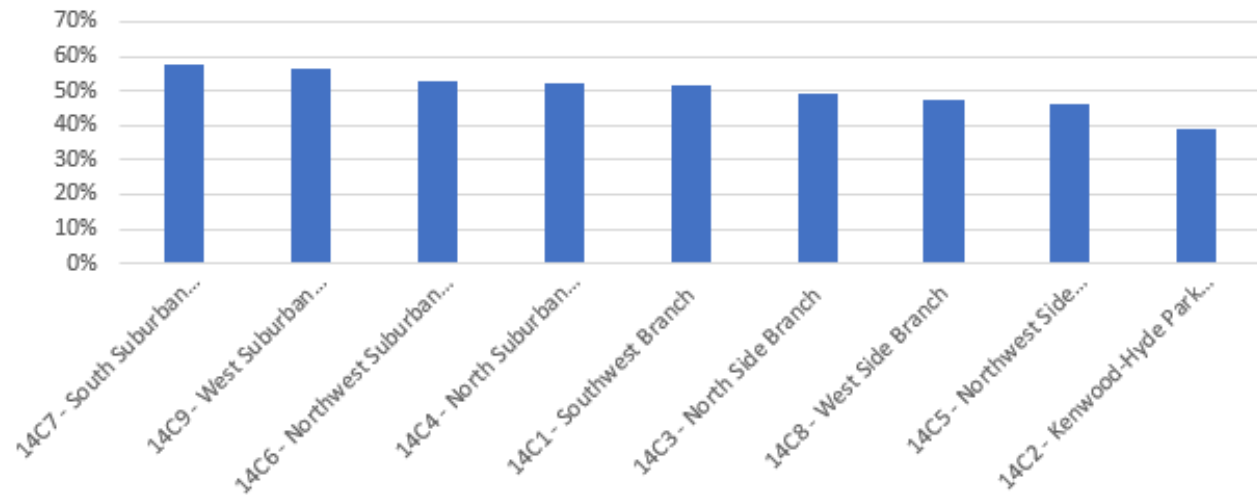
Membership Market Share 21-23



2022 Marketshare by Component Highest to Lowest



CDS Marketshare by Branch



2024 Membership Numbers (Renewals as of Nov. 17, 2023)

Row Labels	Count of Comp
CDS	2349
Winnebago	112
Peoria	99
St. Clair	74
GV Black	90
Decatur	40
Eastern	11
Fox River	128
TL Gilmer	24
Kankakee	19
Prairie Valley	23
Illinois Valley	43
Madison	109
McLean	66
US Grant	23
Rock Island	63
Southern	59
Wabash	52
Illini	72
Whiteside Lee	17
Will Co	90
McHenry	70
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Grand Total	3633

2023 Total: 3,563

<p>Hygiene</p> <p>2024: 231</p> <p>2023: 242</p> <p>2022: 251</p> <p>2021: 329</p> <p>2020: 484</p>	<p>Allied:</p> <p>2024: 6</p> <p>2023: 7</p> <p>2022: 18</p> <p>Associate: 8</p>	<p>15 for 12: 51</p>
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Membership by Rate Type
1: Members paying full active dues - 1379
1A: 15 for 12 - 51
3: Graduate Student - 37
7: Retired Member (Not yet a Life Member) - 13
A: Dentists 1 Year out of Dental School - 243
C: Dental Student 2 Years out (50% Dues) - 20
L: Life Member - 487
P: Permanent Disability - 17
T: Temporary Disability - 2
W: Retired Life Member - 1383

New Dentist and Leadership Development Committee December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary:

The New Dentist Committee met via Zoom on Tuesday, November 7th. During this meeting, which lasted roughly 90 minutes, the committee welcomed Dr. Jackie Hassenplug as the new chair. Then, Eric Larson presented the updated strategic plan and Gracie Tierney shared information on current dental student recruitment efforts, as well as upcoming events.

Detail:

Currently, during each meeting of a standing committee, there is a New Dentist Liaison present. It was discussed if this has been an effective method of sharing communication, and if members felt that the time-value of attending other committee meetings was sufficient. Each member agreed to keep the New Dentist Liaison position open. However, during this time we asked members to select the committee that they would most like to be involved with. Many New Dentists Liaisons have been reassigned. (List below).

Proposed Committee Liaison Assignments:

Access to Care: Katie Hanser

Communications: Alexandra Nash

Dental Benefits & Practice: Open

Dental Ed: Kevin Luan

DEI: Jessica Piepenbrink

Governmental Affairs: Seth Barnett

Member Services: Marty Ryan

Membership: Tejpal Jadeja

The committee agreed that rather than each member taking a position on another committee, they would like to open up the New Dentist Liaison position to all New Dentists, not just committee members. This would ensure that each liaison is engaged and passionate about the committees they serve. From this conversation, the included recommendation was made.

Additionally, ISDS has an upcoming New Dentist Holiday Event, which has 143 RSVP's. The event will be held at Headquarters Beercade in Chicago's River North. Many UIC and Midwestern students, as well as ISDS New Dentists, will be in attendance. The event will be held from 7-10 pm. We encourage board members to attend!

SIU recently hosted a Women in Dentistry Panel, which ISDS sponsored in conjunction with the local ASDA chapter. This event was held on November 15th at Bella Milano in Edwardsville. Over 60 students were in attendance, as well as four female panelists, who spoke on the importance of Organized Dentistry, Work/Life Balance, and overall wellness, both personal and professional.

During the month of December, Gracie will be visiting UIC and SIU to offer snacks and coffee during the schools' finals weeks. She will also visit Midwestern in February, which is their finals week.

Strategic Initiatives as they relate to the 23-26 Strategic Plan:

The New Dentist and Leadership Development Committee will continue to champion the following Strategic Initiatives:

Increase Member Value: The Committee works to ensure that ISDS stays relevant to young dentists. We consistently analyze the success of ISDS events, present new ideas to increase engagement among students and early career dentists, and speak from a younger perspective to help bridge the gap between dental student to ISDS member. Since committee members have more recent dental school experience, they are knowledgeable about what dental students are looking for in membership, as well as possible barriers to entry. Additionally, many New Dentists are engaged alumni who frequently sit on panels, speak at student events, and offer their time to mentor students. Some committee members, like Dr. Jackie Hassenplug, teach at IL dental schools and fill an active role in teaching students about organized dentistry.

Facilitate Information Management: In addition to the New Dentist Committee, members also serve as a new dentist liaison to another committee. This ensures that there is a New Dentist present at every standing committee meeting. The information sharing process is two-fold, meaning that the New Dentist Liaison can share their perspective with each committee to ensure the voices of younger dentists are represented. Also, they engage with their respective committee and bring back information to the New Dentist Committee meetings, which is shared with other members. Please see the committee's recommendation regarding the New Dentist Liaison Assignments. New Dentists also offer feedback on which methods of communicating are most effective at reaching younger members. For example, text alerts and emails tend to make more of an impact than direct calling or direct mail.

Recommendations:

- 1. The New Dentist Committee recommends that members of the ISDS New Dentist and Leadership Development Committee submit interest to the ISDS Committee on Committees to serve in New Dentist liaison positions to ISDS Standing Committees. If New Dentist liaison positions on Standing Committees remain unfilled, any ISDS New Dentist may submit interest to serve in that role, subject to recommendation by the Committee on Committees to the Board of Trustees. ISDS New Dentists who serve in a liaison role but are not a member of the ISDS New Dentist and Leadership Development Committee shall submit a written report updating the ISDS New Dentist and Leadership Development Committee.**

Committee Members:

Dr. Jaqueline Hassenplug, Chair

Dr. Alexandra Nash

Dr. Katie Hanser

Dr. Kevin Luan

Dr. Seth Barnett

Dr. Jessica Piepenbrink

Dr. Tejpal Jadeja

Dr. Marty Ryan

SIU Student – Vacant

UIC Student – Vacant

MWU Student – Vacant

Dr. Bryce Larson, ADA Council Rep

Dr. Ben Youel, Board Liaison

Ms. Gracie Tierney, Staff Liaison

Expanded Functions Dental Assistant (EFDA) Task Force
December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

Key Summary: *The Expanded Functions Dental Assistant (EFDA) Task Force has been meeting to discuss the types of required training that would be required for each of the expanded functions of a dental assistant. They have not had a meeting since the last board meeting. Their next meeting is expected to be held in late December 2023.*

Detail: *The Expanded Functions Dental Assistant (EFDA) Task Force has been meeting to discuss the types of required training that would be needed for each expanded function.*

The task force members are currently reviewing and drafting an outline for the third function- placing, carving, and finishing of amalgam restorations and placing, packing, and finishing composite restorations to be reviewed at the next meeting.

The EFDA task force will have its next meeting in December 2023.

How is the Committee work focused on the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan:

The EFDA Task Force does not have a component of the Strategic Plan.

Recommendations: None

Committee Members:

Dr. Barbara Mousel, Chair

Dr. Precilla Chang

Dr. Jennifer Pritts

Dr. Bob Rada

Dr. Maggie Schaefer Gilpin

Ms. Lori Schmidt

Dr. Kathy Shafer

Dr. Sherece Thompson

Ms. Nancy Banks, RDH

Ms. Tija Hunter

Ms. Lindsay Wagahoff, Staff Liaison

ISDS Foundation

December 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting Report

The ISDS Foundation Board met on September 20th in person at the ISDS Annual Session.

Key Summary:

The ISDS Foundation donated \$10,000 from their relief fund to the Hawaii Dental Association Foundation for the fire relief efforts. In the wake of the wildfires in Maui, Hawaii, the Hawaii Dental Association Foundation, with support from the Hawaii Dental Association, established a special Disaster Relief Fund to provide immediate support for dentists who have been affected by the disaster. Nineteen other states and/or their foundations donated as well.

Annual Session fundraisers were mixed. We made more this year with the silent and live auctions, but the online raffle did not fare as well as using printed tickets, although we made up for it with the bike raffle earlier in the year. Golfing is continually on the decline. We had 60 golfers this year (this included 4 staff members). Although we had 108 attendees at the trivia night, the hotel food costs were very high. Because of this, it is hampering fundraising efforts. We will likely move the Foundation fundraising events away from the hotels to save food costs. The massage booths seemed to be enjoyed by many!

Six scholarship winners were picked this year out of 45 applicants. Recipients received \$6,000 each.

There were 19 community grant applicants this year, with \$75,000 awarded to 10 organizations. Watch for promotional videos on our social media in the future to see how the monies will help access to care in various areas of the state.

Dr. Bryce Larson is the 2023 Greek Award Winner. He could not attend the Annual Session due to the birth of his new baby. The Foundation will present his award at the 2024 Capital Conference.

The 2024 Mission of Mercy will be held June 28 & 29 at the Peoria Civic Center in Peoria, IL. Linda Thomas is coordinating and will hold a leads meeting on February 6. We are actively asking for donations at this time, along with applying for grant funding. The volunteer portal will open sometime in the spring. To learn more, visit www.isds.org/mom.

To see a complete board listing: <https://www.isds.org/foundation/who-we-are>

Illinois State Dental Society

New Business Submission Form – Board of Trustees

Please use this form to submit new business items for the ISDS Board meeting agenda

Name of new business item: Membership book

Name of submitter: Paul Palliser

Date of board meeting: December 7, 2023. Date submitted: November 23, 2023

What strategic initiative does this support: Membership communication

What financial impact will this have? Zero - ?

Zero - ?

Please provide a brief summary of the new business item and the intent of the submitter:
The forms and ways to look up information on membership is sometimes outdated, incorrect, difficult to find. In addition, more information that is easily available on topics of the Illinois Dental Practice Act and the Code of Ethics.
