

May 2021

# *the* Nugget

**True Giving**  
Comes From the Heart  
Inside: 2020 Foundation Annual Report



# Get Ready For Our UPCOMING EVENTS

## MAY IS FOUNDATION MONTH!

*This is the time of year, when we celebrate all the good that the SDDS Foundation has done and is doing in our community. The May **Nugget** always has the Foundation Annual Report in it and we try to fill it with all the warm and fuzzy stories that tug at our hearts. In addition to **the Nugget**, you'll see that our social media pages are flooded with stories, testimonials and happy smiles from our doctors and their patients from years past. Join us as we celebrate and support the Foundation!*

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**Big Day of Giving** • Thursday, All Day  
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Donations help support the Foundation and its projects, like Smiles for Kids, Smiles for Big Kids and more! Make sure to keep the Sacramento District Dental Foundation in your hearts!

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**Swing for Smiles Golf Tournament**  
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Presented by Alan Budenz, DDS

This lecture is designed for anyone who wishes to expand their understanding of the newest pharmacologic agents and delivery techniques of local anesthesia. A range of new anesthesia products, some already available and some still in development, will be presented, along with discussion of how and when to best use our various agents. We will also address how best to anesthetize "hot" tooth and gum situations and other possible "anesthesia failure" problems that we all run into.

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#### Learning Objectives:

- Understand diagnosis and treatment planning skills for full-arch implant dentistry
- Become familiar with clinical protocols to perform full-arch implant procedures
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Thursday, May 13, 2021

6:30 – 8:30pm  
Webinar/Zoom Meeting

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# President's Message

## I Do What I Do For the People



By **Volki Felahy, DDS**  
2021 SDDS President

A little over 23 years ago, when I was a young, bright eyed, naively confident college graduate, I entered a small dental facility for a dental school entrance interview. I can still remember that day like it was yesterday – even the chair I sat in next to an old, dark brown desk. The minute I sat down, I could feel the nervous butterflies of anticipation. At the start of the interview, Dr. Gulskin, the chair of Endodontics, turned his chair to face mine, made eye contact, and after a slight pause asked me, “Why do you want to be a dentist?” I answered without hesitation, “Because of the people!”

Now, 20 plus years into my dental career, if someone were to ask me why, I would still say “the people.” Although the answer is the same, my definition of “the people” has broadened over the years. Looking back to that interview, I had a very narrow definition. At that time people meant the patient. Building a trusting relationship

with the patient to achieve their dental health without fear or trepidation. I recently was interviewed by a college student who was trying to figure out if dentistry was for them. They asked me the same question – why? I think they were expecting me to say the money, or time off to golf, but my answer has not changed. It is still “the people.” Although my personal definition of people as the motivator has broadened over the years of practice, it still includes the relationship with the patient, but also my dental team, who feel the same passion for the people and must work with me every day. It also includes my dental colleagues in my community. Sometimes it can feel like we practice in our own individual island states in dentistry, but we do not. We all experience similar challenges and successes. The opportunity to share personal concerns or triumphs with someone in the same field experiencing the same thing is priceless.

My broadened definition also includes the people in organized dentistry who tirelessly fight for our profession. Even though they are not practicing dentistry, they feel that same passion for the profession that we do. It is amazing and humbling to have such a powerful group of people behind us and our profession.

This month’s *Nugget* is focused on our Foundation. I am so proud to be a part of it and all the good work they have been doing for our community. If you are a member already, thank you. If you are not, I invite you to join. It is \$75 to be a member and contribute to the huge impact the Foundation has in our community. ■

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Volki Felahy'.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**May 6, 2021**

On May 6<sup>th</sup> donate to the  
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Dental Foundation**

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**Day of  
Giving**





## Wow. Just Wow!

By **Cathy B. Levering**  
SDDS Executive Director

How very proud I am to share this issue of *the Nugget*, the Foundation issue!

Over the last 20 years, I have been part of the continuing strategic plan for the Foundation – a plan that started in 2002 and one that has gone through many revisions, goals and objectives, accomplishments and new revisions and goals.

We started with a “BHAG – a big, hairy, audacious goal” – thank you Dr. Bob Gillis and the other leaders who served on the past Foundation Boards. That BHAG was to increase the funds of the Foundation, increase the visibility within our Society members as well as the community, apply and receive grants for our programs, expand our programs, integrate and expand Smiles for Kids (SFK), add something like SFK for the elderly and underserved adult population, and to initiate some fundraisers and community events to show off what our Foundation is and does.

Fast forward to now...

- Look at our financial comparison (page 29)!
- Look at the grants we have received (page 39)!
- Look at our programs and all we have done for our community with our programs (many pages to see this and THANK YOU SDDS MEMBERS who have helped make this all happen with your wonderful generosity)!
- We have fundraisers for the Foundation, including a golf tournament, Broadway shows (Hamilton sold out in 40 minutes), an occasional Gala or three
- Our members invent fundraisers – like Dr. Archibald and her quilt project

And there's so much more of which to be so very proud. But rest assured we will continue to grow, to strive to help our community and the people within it, and to be a proud piece of what is the Sacramento District Dental Society – our charitable Foundation.

Thank you to all who have been a part of our Foundation: the donors, the volunteers, the show-goers, the shredders, the bidders and the buyers – you all make us great!

Enjoy reading this issue. It is WOW for sure!

*Cathy*

## Mark Your Calendars Shred Day - June 11th!



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# From the Editor's Desk



By **Viren Patel, DDS**  
Foundation President, Guest Editor

## Inspiration Is All Around Us

It is an honor to be the guest editor of this edition of *the Nugget*, which serves as the Annual Report of the Foundation. Despite the ravages of 2020 our organization is strong and adapting to new challenges with vigor and fervor.

**I want to thank all those who give so generously and ask you to continue as the rewards far outweigh the sacrifices.**

The Foundation has grown and changed over the years and in particular during 2020. It now has a different set of challenges. The Board of Directors is a group of experienced leaders that I lean on heavily to ensure that we are moving in the best direction for the Foundation. As we look to the future, coming out of the pandemic, we need to ensure the sustainability of our organization and its programs. We also need to ensure that our programs are pertinent and flexible enough to the changing needs of our community.

This issue again highlights the fact that people are the focus of the work that we do. Read the stories of the people whose lives we help change for the better and read the stories

of the doctors that had their lives enriched by providing the help. It is inspirational and heartwarming that our Foundation can make this kind of impact in people's lives. Those who receive and those who give.

Winston Churchill once said we make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give. I want to thank all those who give so generously and ask you to continue as the rewards far outweigh the sacrifices. ■

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in this issue for the full list of this  
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- If you don't have OUR jar, the donations are NOT going to OUR SFF program
- If you need OUR jar, let us know and we'll send you one
- If you don't know about the Crowns for Kids program, check out pages 31, 34 and 35 in this issue or online at [www.sdds.org/foundation/our-projects/crowns-for-kids/](http://www.sdds.org/foundation/our-projects/crowns-for-kids/)

## C.E., EXAM WAIVER GRANTED FOR CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONALS WITH LICENSES EXPIRING MARCH 1-31

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Dentists, registered dental hygienists, registered dental assistants and other professionals who have active California licenses that expire between March 1 and March 31 now have additional time to satisfy the examination and continuing education requirements for license renewal.

The California Department of Consumer Affairs last Friday issued the waiver, which gives licensees an additional six months (through Aug. 26) to complete or demonstrate compliance with C.E. requirements and take and pass any examination necessary to renew a license.

The new waiver and other waivers issued early in 2020 are largely the result of CDA's consistent advocacy to assist dentists who continue to face restricted or limited in-person education and training necessary for licensure.

The state-of-emergency order issued in March 2020 gave the Department of Consumer Affairs the authority to waive statutory or regulatory professional licensing requirements as part of the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Licensees still must complete and submit any required renewal forms and pay renewal fees on time.

## EMAIL SCAM - BEWARE!

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CDA has been notified by other state dental associations of an email scam that is targeting their members.

The email is reported to have "Terry Recovery" in the subject line, appears to be coming from the association's email domain and includes an association logo. The email claims that a member of the association has a terminally ill child and invites recipients to a GoFundMe page called "Terry Recovery Journey" for donations.

This email is a scam and should be deleted immediately.

GoFundMe and PayPal have been notified and have disabled the account, but there is still risk of viruses and malware when opening emails or clicking links that are from illegitimate sources.

## DEA SENDING REGISTRATION RENEWAL NOTICES BY EMAIL ONLY

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Dentists registered with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration should be aware that the DEA is no longer sending renewal notices by U.S. Postal Service as of last June. Instead, registrants will receive renewal notifications by email and should confirm that their email address on file is current.

## CROWNS FOR KIDS HAS A NEW STAR REFINING GROUP REP

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## AMAZON SMILE SUPPORTS THE SDDS FOUNDATION

Support SDDF, our Smiles for Kids and Smiles for Big Kids program with donations through Amazon Smile. They will automatically donate .5% of our purchases. **Logon to smile.**

**amazon.com and select the Sacramento District Dental Foundation as your charity.**

## HOT TIPS FROM THE "BUY IT, BUILD IT, LEASE IT" COURSE

*Submitted by D. Keith B. Dunnagan, Esq.\*  
Managing Attorney; BPE Law Group, PC.*

In this market – one word resonates. OPPORTUNITY. Lots of opportunity right now.

- Think about re-negotiating leases – just because lease is not matured, doesn't mean you can't renegotiate.
- Pay attention to ADA and Assignment Clauses.
- If negotiating an option – negotiate a price and exercise terms.
- If buying land to build or buying an existing building – have a team to help you.

## CAL/OSHA ENFORCING ANNUAL TEST REQUIREMENTS FOR TIGHT-FITTING RESPIRATORS

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Dental offices must continue to screen all patients and dental staff, including those who are fully vaccinated, for COVID-19 and follow other Cal/OSHA regulations on COVID-19 prevention, such as using proper personal protective equipment and requiring that patients wear masks and social distance.

**Read full article on page 44**



By **Prayaag Parikh**

*Prayaag is a sophomore in high school and the son of Dr. Purvak Parikh, an SDDS member. He plays varsity basketball for school, as well as participates in tournaments with other competitive teams. Prayaag loves spending time outdoors and indulging in other fun activities with his friends and family; whether it's going on a long vacation or just reminiscing about past moments.*

# Hooping for Kids

## FUNDRAISER

The pandemic hit hard during the spring, and the world around me started to close down at a fast speed. My school sent out an email that we would be doing distance learning, and my competitive basketball teams also started to shut down. As everything ground

**I wanted to help raise money for a non-profit organization while doing something I love and something related to my dad's work.**

to a halt, I thought that COVID would just be another small obstacle in my life, except it wasn't. Even in late spring and throughout early summer, nothing progressed and my family was comfortable with the work-at-home option. My father is a dentist and his entire team had to work from home due to the risk of getting the disease because the hygienists and doctors are directly working in the patients' mouths.

One day, I was reading scientific articles in a newspaper regarding the new disease, indicating that this was a huge footprint on the world: people getting sick, local businesses shutting down, loss of homes, hunger, and even a lack of resources. In my community and county, I could not even believe to see how many lives were lost as well as programs starting to close. I wanted to help raise money for a non-profit organization while doing something I love and something related to my dad's work. So, I chose to support the Sacramento District Dental Foundation since they provide dental services to patients that cannot afford it,

focusing especially on children. As a son of a dentist, I can't count the number of times my dad informed me of the importance of dental health and regular checkups. I am grateful to have someone professional at home, but also know that not all children have access to premium dental care.

Combining my love for dentistry and basketball, I decided to create a fundraiser on GoFundMe. I came up with a simple challenge: for every 3-pointer I could make (out of 25 attempts), I'd ask people to donate \$1 to the SDDF. Since the organization was mainly helping kids, I wanted to name the event "Hooping for Kids." To make this fundraiser successful and create a bigger impact, I knew I needed to get more people involved. I contacted my school basketball team and my coach during summer training camp and informed them of this idea. Immediately, I had four teammates and my coach join my effort.

I wanted to compile a video of my teammates shooting 3-pointers. I used Adobe Premiere to edit all the videos. Additionally, I added some brief descriptions of my teammates while they were shooting basketballs. We started to film videos during the first weeks of July and I compiled everyone's videos, adding awesome graphics, special effects, and fun facts. The video was finished in mid-July and we were ready to launch the fundraiser.

On July 18, we launched the video fundraising event and tried to get many people to donate. The entire event was virtual so we spread the word on social media through posts on Facebook and Instagram. I contacted my teammates and their parents to see if they could donate. I also contacted my family members and asked if they could donate as well. My grandfather was the first one to donate, and since I made 18 three-pointers out of 25, he donated \$18. The

fundraiser was off to a good start and my goal was to raise more than \$500. More people saw posts on social media and decided to donate. My team and I tried very hard to get people to donate, as this would go directly to a good cause and help so many kids. After about just 1 week, we saw tremendous results. We reached our goal of \$500 and eventually exceeded that and donated \$850. This event lasted for about 2 weeks until the beginning of August and the results were surprising. My basketball team and the donors raised \$882 for the SDDF. We were really happy that we could help an organization that provides much-needed dental care to kids, especially during these turbulent times.

What started as just a simple, fun idea based on my love of basketball and dentistry showed me that I am capable of making a difference, influencing others to do the same, and being an activist in the community. I learned from this experience that with dedicated friends and family members, we can inspire change and help so many lives. With unity and perseverance, it felt so good and happy to make others cheerful, despite the effects of the pandemic. Our “Hooping for Kids” fundraiser was a huge success, and if asked to do it again, I would gladly smile and do so! ■



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## Caring for Our Veterans



By **Matt Comfort, DDS**  
SDDS Member

*Dr. Comfort practices Cosmetic, Trauma, Implant and General Dentistry in Roseville. He belongs to many professional organizations including the tripartite membership, AACD, AGD, AAID, and the AIDT. He has previously served on the SDDS Board. He is both a MAGD and AACD Accreditation Candidate expected in 2021.*

Life affords us many opportunities to give back and our reasons for doing so are variable and are numerous. As professionals, we are gifted incredible opportunities to care for people from all walks of life. The SDDF Smiles for Big Kids provides a great opportunity to continue caring for our Veterans, for example, the Placer County Veterans StandDown Events

My personal mission began in sophomore year 1987 when a youthful indecision steered me along a path that wasn't what I thought life held for me; denying your destiny can be a very unsettling event. I had D.O.R. (dropped on request) from the United States Navy ROTC program a week into engaging the program. Not planned. This was an act that was antithetical to my core beliefs; to

selflessly serve our country. A tremendous amount of mindset and preparation had been invested into this ideal. Naval Aviation or MARSOC (Marine Special Forces) was my calling, and I knew my uncharted educational endeavors were not solidified. There was a sincere belief that my lack of planning would not benefit the military.

So, at the age of 21, I awoke one day, and made the commitment, "If I dare not rise and have the courage and strength to serve our country, then I will stand post and serve those who have served the United States Military." Fast forward: for 6 years, age 44 to 50, I pursued the United States Navy Reserve Dental Corps. Unfortunately, I was not granted a commission. Recently, I wrote a 3-page apology to Lt Col. Bud Meador,

USMC (ret.), USC's commanding officer 1987 through 1991, and promised him that I will look after any Marine that comes into my office.

**Caring for normal souls doing extraordinary feats to serve our country in combat. Treating these soldiers is an honor and a lifelong commitment.**

But the personal mission continues. Life, and our decisions, take us down unique paths. I have been honored to adopt several Veterans through The Smiles for Big Kids and the Placer County StandDown Events, caring for normal souls doing extraordinary feats to serve our country in combat. Treating these soldiers is an honor

and a lifelong commitment. IGY6 as they say to each other. "I got your 6" meaning, "I will watch out for your life" is a motto frequently bestowed on me by several of them. There is a special area, front and center, in my office that is adorned with memorabilia both from my family, and patients who have served. 4 parking spaces have been reserved for Purple hearts, POW/MIA, Gold Star Families and Veterans. A flag pole will be installed on our complex, maximum height, largest flag allowed, to proclaim our professional business park and the economic activity are dedicated to the protectors of our nation.

StandDown and Veteran Care with Smiles for Big Kids is a great program. Take time out for our troops. Many bear the emotional scares of combat, or rejection from our society. Give a half day, or a full day to our Men and Women that stood post. They need our care and our commitment to them: IGY6. ■







By **Suzanna Warner**  
Smiles for Big Kids Patient

# Suzanna's Story

WITH THE HAPPIEST OF ENDINGS

January 14, 2019 - I was 20 weeks pregnant and just found out I was having a baby girl.

January 22, 2019 - I woke up to a call from my neighbor saying my cows had gotten out into the road. Without hesitation I slipped on my rubber boots and headed down the mile-long driveway. After getting the cows back in the fence I decided to put them up with some hay so we could get the front fence fixed after work. While walking the hay toward the back end of our property my 16.2 quarter horse mix, who I had owned for 5 years prior, came up on the side of me. Seemingly excited to be getting some hay he walked with me about 5 feet before I felt his foot connect with the right side of my face as I fell to the ground. I opened my eyes to



see blood all over me, as I opened my mouth to scream my teeth fell out into my hands. I pulled my phone out and called 911 only to not be able to talk to the operator.

My lip had been ripped off down to my chin leaving me unable to say anything but help. Luckily my neighbor had heard me scream and was already heading over, as I saw the look on her face I knew it was bad. She talked with the operator and sat with me as we waited the grueling 30 minutes for an ambulance. After a quick trip to Rideout it was determined not only had the kick ripped my lip off, it had fractured my face, leaving me with cracks between my cheek bone and my nose as well as both my top and bottom jaw. I lost 4 teeth whole root and all and later had to have 2 others removed/capped due to the damage. I was kicked so hard I not only lost teeth I lost bits of bone in my lower jaw.

This took weeks of recovery to just be able to close my mouth. Then came the challenge of learning how to speak again, drink out of a cup, and all other things I took for granted. Due to me being pregnant I had to have all the immediate dental work I needed done without anything more than local anesthetic. All of this left me feeling disfigured and scared of what I saw in the mirror. I had to return to work in order to pay my bills so the quick/cheaper fix was dentures. My insurance covered part of the dentures but maxed me out and said the implants were "cosmetic" and not covered. I was quoted around \$10-14k to fix my mouth just about everywhere I tried.

Since the impressions were taken while I was pregnant my dentures did not fit at all just a few short months later. I was in pain and couldn't eat normally. I was determined to get rid of these dentures and worked my butt off to save and get better insurance. At this point I was losing the usable bone I had for implants. And as life will have it, the



new insurance I worked for would not cover my implants either as they are considered a "prior extraction."

I felt defeated. I am stubborn and prideful and had not asked for any help over the past year of dealing with this but after an enlightening conversation with my boss I created a GoFundMe. I was not expecting anything from GoFundMe as I had been let down by so many of my other attempts. My mom told me "All it takes is the right person to see this and you'll get the help you need" and man was she right. The people I work with were instrumental in getting my story out there. The day I received the call from Cathy Levering I broke down into tears knowing that there was actually hope for me.

Cathy was incredible and got me in touch with Dr. Bryan Judd. Dr. Judd and his staff not only took me seriously but made me a commitment from day one that I would smile again. He kept his promise ten fold. I had hopes for possibly an implant or two, heck I would have settled for dentures that fit, but Dr. Judd went above and beyond giving me a smile I can truly be proud of. He has also gotten me in touch with Dr. Vasanthan who will place the implants in my lower jaw to fix the remaining damage. I am beyond grateful for all of the incredible



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can be proud of.

people who have offered help over the last 4 months. Even now my smile has made such a tremendous improvement. I was so frustrated not being able to eat, take pictures with my daughter or even talk in front of people. I have made so much headway with all of the incredible support I received. I found the confidence to apply for a promotion at work and am now managing the front office as well as leading workshops, and training. I am also finally getting married to my boyfriend of six years. We'd pushed it off for a while because of the amount of anxiety I had toward being up in front of people. I truly have a smile I can be proud of. Thank you again. SDDF not only gave me teeth, they gave me my life back. So I want to say thank you to Cathy for getting the ball rolling and every single person who had a hand in getting me this far.

*With Love, Suzanna Warner*



I am happy to report that Suzanna's treatment is done. She is a beautiful person who needed some help and it was a true blessing to be able to help her and give back. Suzanna, her husband, and family were so appreciative. It has been a goal of ours at the office to take on a case every so often and help those in need. We have received far more than we have given. **I love the Smiles for Big Kids Program and what we all do as dentists in our community.** If you haven't before, sign up to give back. You too will be blessed.

**BRYAN JUDD, DDS**



By **Matthew Sandretti, DDS**  
SDDS Member

*Dr. Sandretti is a Sacramento native and grew up in the Roseville/Granite Bay area. He graduated from UCLA for both his Bachelor's and DDS degrees. He then completed his Masters degree and orthodontic residency at the Medical College of Virginia. He practices orthodontics in Elk Grove and Sacramento.*

## Touching Lives One Smile at a Time

Every day I feel fortunate to be in a profession that can improve the health, confidence and well being of people each and every day. I think this passion for helping others feel better about themselves and their oral health is truly what binds us together as colleagues and as dental organizations.

Nearly six years ago I was very privileged to come to the Sacramento area and begin working with Dr. Don Rollofson, the co-founder of the Smiles for Kids Program. He exposed me right away to the amazing Smiles for Kids orthodontic program and encouraged me to join many of my colleagues in delivering pro bono treatment to patients in need. I am so happy I have been able to work with the Smiles for Kids program and SDDS ever since. The opportunity to touch the lives of kids with little access to orthodontic treatment has been a great pleasure and so much fun for me and our office team. It has been truly rewarding.

One of the best parts of the Smiles for Kids Program is to meet and get to know some awesome kids and families and have positive impact in their lives. Every case presents its own challenges and unique success story. To be part of those stories and see these kids grow into confident young men and women is a reward unto itself. I'd like to highlight one such individual, one of our 2021 Smile for Kids patients. His name is David and his story started several years ago when he found his way to our care with a severely impacted central incisor. David is a great kid with autism and struggled to find confidence and comfort with his smile. It was immediately apparent that intervention was needed. With the outstanding help of Dr. Mike Preskar, we were able to successfully deimpact his



central incisor and maintain good tissue support throughout.

After a couple years of monitoring, he is now entering the comprehensive phase of orthodontic treatment and ready to move forward with finalizing his occlusion and getting his smile looking great. I want to thank Dr. Reza Fouladi for his great help in getting David ready for this next phase of treatment. I look forward to seeing this case to the finish and giving David the best smile possible. While I, of course, love to see straight teeth and both incisors present, the real reward has been seeing David's maturation. He came in an apprehensive kid with some significant dental issues and now is a confident young man, eager to engage with anyone who will listen about





I have had many conversations over the phone with David's mom. She is so thankful for the work that Dr. Sandretti has done and the support the Smiles for Kids program has provided. **Listening to her speak of David and the great improvement he has made over the last several years is heartwarming.** He seems like a very focused young man, who has done tremendously well in school. Even during the pandemic, he has remained committed and has excelled with his schoolwork.

Speaking to patients and families of patients, with whom the SDDS Foundation has helped is definitely a highlight of working here at SDDS.

**JESSICA**  
SDDS TEAM MEMBER

his favorite books and video games (yes, especially Fortnite).

David is just one example of a rich and growing number of unique stories written each year by generous dentists throughout the area through the Smiles for Kids program. I am proud to be a small part of such an esteemed group. While I am still in the early stages of my career, it is easy to see the dramatic impact Smiles for Kids has upon young people as well as the doctors involved. I plan to do my best to

continue on in the incredible legacy of Dr. Rollofson, SDDS and the generous doctors that have come before me. It is such a fun and rewarding way to contribute to our communities and I look forward to continuing my involvement for many years to come. ■



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By **Art Grueneberger**  
Puppet Art Theater Co.

*Art Grueneberger began his puppet career working under Master Puppeteer Richard Bay. His puppet performance premiere was as lead puppeteer in "A Thousand Cranes," a UNIMA-USA Citation of Excellence winner. Grueneberger formed Puppet Art Theater Co. in 1994 and began producing outstanding children's productions that have been seen by thousands of audiences across the United States. In 2010 Puppet Art Theater Co. completed over 600 live performances across the State.*

## 332 Virtual Shows Reached 13,000+ Kids

Clad in armor, Sir Enamel slowly revolves, mustache waving in the magical wind while sparks of blue and white energy arc around him. He shouts, "By the power of flossing!" and Johnny magically appears. This is what the wide-eyed Theodore Judah Elementary students see on their laptop screens as they watch the live-streaming version of "The Adventures of Sir Enamel."

Flashback just a few months earlier, Puppet Art Theater Co. was touring the dental health puppet productions "The Adventures of Sir Enamel" and "Clay and the Sugarsarus Rex," in person to hundreds of schools in the area. The programs, which started touring in 2014, had been reaching thousands of children each year in Sacramento County and beyond.

On March 13th of last year schools across California went into distant learning mode thanks to COVID-19. It was difficult to know how long it would be before we would be able to present in front of a live audience. I predicted then that we probably wouldn't be back in schools until 2022.

I immediately began to strategize ways to reach students in a distance learning environment. The majority of schools

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were turning to conferencing software like ZOOM to safely work with their students, so live-streaming seemed like the best solution.

Puppet Art Theater Co. has always specialized in live performance so the live-streaming world was brand new to me. It took six long weeks to learn the technology behind live-streaming and another few weeks gathering the cameras, lighting and software we would need to present a product I could be proud of. The learning curve was frustrating and our first few shows were very basic in regards



to production value. We simply pointed a camera at our puppet stage, now lit for the camera, and performed the shows as we would in front of a live audience. Adequate, but I thought we could do better.

As the pandemic months went by I continued to expand my digital broadcasting skillset. Various projects allowed me to experiment. A short piece for a virtual Puppet Slam in Boston (think poetry slam only with puppets and funny) gave me a chance to work with digital layering of video and graphics. The final product was a puppet rendition of the B-52's song "Rock Lobster" where I perform (with the help of digital layering) 24 different puppets during the 5 minute song. (It's worth a watch if you've got five minutes to spare: <https://youtu.be/bowKQZppMxY>)

Once I felt I had an adequate grasp on the new technology I began to work on applying the digital enhancements to "The Adventures of Sir Enamel." In this show King Sugar Bug is building his army of sugar bugs to destroy Johnny's teeth. Sir Enamel enlists Johnny to help defeat king Sugar Bug through proper dental health practices. The entire show takes place in Johnny's mouth so artist Rob Rough designed digital sets to make it look like the



Behind the scenes: Rachel, in the studio performing Sir Enamel

characters were actually standing inside the mouth. Using special software we were able to perform the characters live, via live-streaming for distance learning classrooms. No more were we just pointing a camera at our puppet stage. We were now leveraging digital technology to enhance the students' viewing experience.

(See a video clip of Sir Enamel here: <https://youtu.be/lB5H5miNiTc>)

Once Sir Enamel was on its feet I turned my attention to "Clay and the Sugarsaurus Rex," a story about a young cave boy goes in search of the Super Sugary Stash of Sweets only to discover a dinosaur guarding the stash. For "Clay" our set designer created several digital locations including Clay's home, a Jurassic jungle and a cave full of sugary treats. (See a clip of "Clay and the Sugarsaurus Rex" here: <https://youtu.be/RmpGh8AANjY>)

Once again, the interaction of the live puppets and the digital sets worked well.

Last autumn we live-streamed these newly revamped shows for over 300 classrooms. We performed the shows live so we could customize each show for the classes. Having the characters shout out their school or their teacher's name makes the students feel like we are performing just for them and makes them feel special. It also makes for better retention of the educational messages.

Live-streaming shows have proved to be a great way to share the message of proper dental hygiene to children in the pandemic. Every child has a front row, center seat and the digital enhancements are something we couldn't do outside of a live-streaming environment. I do, however, miss hearing the giggles and gasps of the kiddos in the audience. I miss the hum of excitement before the show begins. I miss the kids helping Sir Enamel by shouting "By the power of flossing!" I know we will be back performing our shows in person soon. In the meantime we will continue to teach kids how to take care of their teeth virtually. ■







## Congratulations to the 2021 Dr. Beverly Kodama/Delta Dental Foundation Scholarship Winners

The Sacramento District Dental Foundation (SDDF) Board of Directors extends congratulations to Ms. Tammy Roach, RDA and Ms. Emily Sierck, RDA both pictured here with their employers and SDDF supporters Dr. Jayson Chalmers and Dr. Jerhet Ask. Included are SDDF President Dr. Viren Patel, SDDS President Dr. Volki Felahy, and FADE Institute Dean Dr. Carl Hillendahl, all gathered while attending the FADE Institute RDAEF New Student Welcome Day.

Tammy has over 20 years of experience as a DA/RDA. She is currently working

with Dr. Jayson Chalmers. She is looking forward to expanding her abilities to make more of a positive impact upon the dental office. Tammy is supported by her husband and two high school daughters, who keep her very busy with competitive sports.

Emily is a single mother to triplets—two boys and a girl, currently age 9. She grew up in a small rural town in Amador County and always wanted to do something in the dental field. During Emily's senior year of high school, she enrolled in an ROP dental class and successfully completed a volunteer internship at Jackson Creek

Dental. She volunteered at Jackson Creek Dental for the Smiles for Kids program in 2008 and still does to this day. Emily began employment at Jackson Creek Dental in 2013 and was recently promoted to the Lead Assistant for the office.

Dr. Kodama always believed in the power of education for women in allied dental professions and the essence of the team being the heartbeat of a successful dental practice. Amongst her many community service activities, she served on the Delta Dental Board of Directors. In her honor, and now her memory, the Delta Dental Foundation

*Pictured above from left to right: Dr. Volki Felahy, Dr. Jayson Chalmers, Tammy Roach, Dr. Viren Patel, Emily Sierck, Dr. Jerhet Ask and Dr. Carl Hillendahl at the FADE Institute.*





endowed the SDDF with a generous donation to establish the Kodama/Delta Foundation Scholarship to benefit SDDS/SDDF members and their clinical chairside personnel seeking advanced licensure. SDDF serves as the administrator of the scholarship in partnership with the FADE Foundation, ultimately providing the recipient(s) significant tuition assistance.

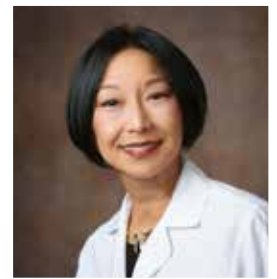
Ms. Roach and Ms. Sierck are the second and third recipients

of the scholarship following Ms. Marie Tran, awarded in 2020, who has since graduated and completed the first of her state licensure examinations for EF. For more information about the Kodama scholarship, please contact the SDDS Office.

## **\$75,000** (grant began in 2019) **The Dr. Beverly Kodama/Delta Dental Foundation Scholarship for Allied Education**

Dr. Kodama (who served on the Delta Board of Directors) partnered with Delta Dental Foundation to establish a scholarship to help defray the educational costs for dental assistants and other allied team members. Dr. Kodama always felt that allied team members were the heart of a dentist's practice and wanted to give back to that cause so that other dentists will benefit from wonderfully trained staff. Geared specifically toward dental assistants and

also the EF curriculum, the SDDS Foundation is in partnership with FADE (the Foundation for Allied Dental Education) to help defray costs for those applicants who qualify. Contributions are welcome to this wonderful fund at any time. Applications and scholarships are awarded on a yearly basis and announced to all members of the Sacramento District Dental Society to sponsor any of their current RDA employees for consideration. ■



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**NEWMARK**



By **Denise Jabusch, DDS**  
Associate Editor

## Why Fellow Health Workers Devote Their Weekends to Mass Vaccination Efforts

Inspired by the California Dental Association's efforts for dentists to become COVID vaccinators, I completed all the Centers for Disease Control requirements and signed up with local mass vaccination entities. While I have yet to be called for this duty, I have played a supporting role with three community vaccination clinics administered by Dignity Health. My roles have been as a post-vaccination observer, a runner, and a charter. These roles have allowed me to meet the incredibly dedicated fellow members of health care. Note that all the health care workers were volunteering their time outside of their normal working hours. Read on to find out why these fellow health care workers including nurses that personally administer care to COVID patients, would devote their weekend to help vaccinate the community. Many SDDS members have also spent many hours at vaccine clinics, but these featured workers are the few I have personally worked alongside.



### **Christina Gonzalez, RN**

Neonatal Intensive Care at Methodist Hospital, Dignity Health and Volunteer vaccinator. Pictured with her two daughters, both who enthusiastically joined the vaccination effort.

I'm a NICU nurse at Methodist Hospital in Sacramento. I'm volunteering because I feel like I need to do my part, and because I can do vaccinations and not everybody can. At work I can save one baby at a time. At the community vaccination clinic, I feel like I can save more than one person at a time. Here I can save many and in just a few seconds. I think it's just a lovely opportunity to be part of history. I just think it's awesome.



### **Ling Lieu, RN**

University of California Davis Medical Center

I work at the UCD Medical Center and I take care of COVID patients, but I feel like working in the community will make a bigger impact in how I can influence these patients, or people, to prevent them from ending up in the hospital.

### **Dinh Ta, BSN**

University of California Davis Medical Center, Orthopedics

I work at the hospital as well. I just want to give back to the community to help preventing people from getting sick. I can't wait for everyone to get back to their normal lives.

### **Roxanne Basilio Valdez, RN**

University of California Davis Medical Center

I'm volunteering because I feel the satisfaction of helping others. I want to help the community and everyone.

### **Elizabeth Betsy Abucay, RN**

Retired from University of California Davis Medical Center and Dignity Health, Vascular Access Specialist

I am a retired nurse from UCD Medical Center and Dignity Health. I'm volunteering because I want to show the world that I'm still very useful even if I'm retired. I want to help the community. I'm tired of the spread of COVID-19 so I want everybody to be vaccinated fast.

### **Lisa Garcia, RN**

University of California Davis Medical Center

I'm a nurse at the UCD Medical Center and I also work in a COVID unit. I saw that being out in the community makes a bigger impact. I can't wait for the spread of COVID infections to end.

“Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation’s compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain loving one another.”

– Erma Bombeck



**Stephanie Fox, MAEd, RN, CSN**  
Lead Charter at the Vaccination Clinic

I’m a nurse with the Sacramento City Unified School District. I’m here to help our staff, our teachers, our administrators, our office staff, our nutrition staff and the community to have the opportunity to get a vaccine. With my nursing background I feel like that’s the least I can do to help out and to give back. I can help with the process to get everybody safe and healthy. This is my fourth time volunteering with the vaccination clinic. I’m here all day. It’s a long day, but you don’t really realize it until you get home and you sit down.



**Jason Chang, Senior Director**  
Value-Based Operations with Dignity Health

I am co-leading Dignity Health’s community vaccination clinics with Chris Champlin, Chief Strategy Officer at Dignity Health Sacramento and Dr. Eric Hodes, Chief Medical Officer at Dignity Health Methodist Hospital of Sacramento. Our mission is critical – vaccinate and protect our community against COVID-19. Dignity Health has three distribution models as part of our overarching strategy. One model is focused on employees, another for our patients and one for our community. In conjunction with the county and state,

we are following vaccination tiers and trying to get as many shots in arms as possible. Every clinic has about eight hours to administer dosage, but there’s a lot of prep time that the team goes through to get everything squared away. There are a couple hours afterwards to get the clinic cleaned up and set up for the next one. In just the last three weeks, we have coordinated six community vaccination clinics. To date, we have vaccinated between 17,000-18,000 in our community between first and second doses. This includes first responders, educators, and individuals 65 and over. Within the Sacramento Region, Dignity Health has provided nearly 100,000 doses. Despite our success, we are limited based on vaccine supply. Once we get a better line of sight of the available supply, we’ll be able to start scheduling on a more regular basis. Starting in April, our goal is to have the first dose clinics on Friday, and then their respective second dose clinics will be three weeks later. We will have a recurring pattern until we get many folks vaccinated. I think what is most meaningful for me is when you look around any of our clinics, it is staffed solely by volunteers. There are volunteers from Dignity Health, UC Davis Health, from the community, from the school district, and more. The testimonials and stories of folks that are coming through is gratifying. They can now go spend time with their kids, grandkids or see the newborn nephews or nieces that they haven’t had a chance to meet yet. It is heartwarming.



**Dr. Karen Azama-Kihara, Pharm D.**  
Pharmacy Operation Manager; Mercy San Juan Medical Center. As the Lead Pharmacist at the Dignity Health Vaccination Clinic, Dr. Azama-Kihara was in charge of overseeing the preparation and distribution of the vaccines.

In order for us to get to the point where we can get back to our normal life, where businesses can reopen again and where kids can go to school, herd immunity is needed. And the way to do this is to get the vaccinations into people’s arms. Initially there was a lot of vaccine hesitancy. However, after attending the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists national clinical meeting in December 2020, I gathered a lot of information that alleviated some of my own hesitancy too. Dr. Fauci was one of our speakers along with many other experts and researchers who talked about the vaccines. The phase one, phase two, and phase three studies, were all conducted but were done concurrently rather than consecutively which helped speed up the process. The studies were all showing that the vaccines were safe. This information actually convinced me that the vaccines were good and that the studies were not rushed. I am seeing that there is a lot of disinformation and misunderstanding about the vaccines so when people ask me, I love to provide education and share my personal experience for why I chose to get vaccinated. There have been some side effects but the vaccine prevents people from getting so sick that they have to go to the hospital. And the benefits of the vaccine can be seen in the decreasing cases of COVID. The numbers of cases are going down. The vaccine, no matter which one, is preventing serious illness and mortality. The mission of Dignity Health is serving the underserved and the underprivileged, and those that don’t have economic capabilities. Volunteering at these mass vaccination clinics to help make that happen is a good thing and is very rewarding. I feel very strongly about serving these communities.



# It's Time For... SDDS ELECTIONS

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS

Elections will be held at the **May 11, 2021** General Meeting

The Leadership Development Committee is tasked with guiding the future of SDDS by evaluating and nominating leaders for our organization. The committee met in the first quarter of 2021 and considered a very strong slate of candidates. We are pleased to report that the outlook is good with the following members listed below being nominated for 2021. SDDS is only as good as its volunteers and we appreciate all who give back to our organization.

Carl Hillendahl, DDS (Chair of the Leadership Development Committee)



## SOCIETY SLATE OF NOMINEES

### SDDS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

#### To be Elected:

President: Wesley Yee, DDS  
President Elect/Treasurer: Lisa Dobak, DDS  
Secretary: Ash Vasanthan, DDS  
Immediate Past President: Volki Felahy, DDS

### TRUSTEE

#### Continuing:

Wallace Bellamy, DMD      Viren Patel, DDS

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### Continuing (2021-2022):

Nima Aflatoon, DDS  
Dean Ahmad, DDS  
Brock Hinton, DDS  
Kevin Keating, DDS, MS  
Morton Rosenberg, DDS  
Kart Raghuraman, DDS

#### To be Elected

(2nd Term, 2022-2023):  
Craig Alpha, DDS

### DELEGATES TO THE CDA HOUSE

#### To be Elected:

Margaret Delmore, MD, DDS (2021-2022)  
Eric Grove, DDS (2021-2022)  
Hana Rashid, DDS (2021-2022)  
Morton Rosenberg, DDS (2021-2022)  
Ash Vasanthan, DDS (2021-2022)

#### Continuing:

Lisa Dobak, DDS (ExComm)  
Volki Felahy, DDS (ExComm)  
Carl Hillendahl, DDS (ExComm)  
Wesley Yee, DDS (ExComm)  
Nima Aflatoon, DDS (2020-2021)  
Dean Ahmad, DDS (2020-2021)  
Kelly Giannetti, DMD (2020-2021)  
Amar Pawar, DDS (2020-2021)  
Kart Raghuraman, DDS (2020-2021)

## FOUNDATION SLATE OF NOMINEES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### Continuing:

Nancy Archibald, DDS  
Wai Chan, DDS  
Greg Heise, DDS  
Viren Patel, DDS

#### Additional Term (2022-2023):

Wallace Bellamy, DMD  
Margaret Delmore, MD, DDS  
Paul Binon, DDS

#### To Be Elected (2022):

Ash Vasanthan, DDS (SDDS Secretary)  
Volki Felahy, DDS (SDDS Past President)  
Hana Rashid, DDS (2022-2023)



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# Foundation Annual Report

## of the Sacramento District Dental Society



By **Viren Patel, DDS**  
2020 Foundation President

## The Heart of Our Society

Looking Back at the SDDS Foundation in 2020

Wow, What a year! January 2020 was the start of a new decade with the concurrent optimism that thought brings. Little did we know that it was going to be one of the most challenging years of our lives in so many ways. As individuals, as a profession as an organization and as a society. Our Foundation relies so heavily on the goodwill and efforts of so many individuals that come together to create the benefits we provide for our community. That was all put in jeopardy with the closure of normal society that followed the outbreak of COVID-19. Our annual fundraisers like the Golf Tournament, Broadway Series, our in-person gatherings that are so important in building ties and then allow us to identify, persuade and cajole individuals and organizations to help our cause were all put on hold and then eventually cancelled for 2020.

How did your Foundation do in 2020? I am pleased to report that we did remarkably well. With the valiant efforts of our SDDF Board, team (Cathy and the SDDS staff) and the generous help from our donors, our foundation managed to end the year in the green without dipping into reserves. A truly amazing accomplishment!

Our Smiles for Kids and Smiles for Big Kids programs were heavily impacted in 2020. However, in the midst of the sea of changes, we still had our incredibly generous members providing pro bono care to individuals that needed help.

There is a famous saying that is quite appropriate in regard to 2020. When life hands you lemons – you make lemonade. As many of you know, over the past few years our Foundation have been producing

travelling puppet shows that has been educating children in classrooms about the basics of oral care in a fun and engaging way. 2020 put an end to in person school visits, so we now have a virtual show that is transmitted statewide. That is some good lemonade making!

As we look to the future there is much to look forward to and much to be grateful for. I am personally grateful for the opportunity that the Foundation affords me in meeting, getting to know and helping both our professional colleagues and our community partners feel the rewards that the gift of giving allows. Thank you all so much for making the SDDF what it is today. ■

## Smiles for Big Kids Patient Update



Mandy

We featured Mandy in the May 2019 *Nugget* with her story to the left. At that time, Mandy was a 43 year old mother of six children, with three still at home under the age of 18. She was a single parent and sole support of her three minor children. She touched us with her story and we are now happy to report that her treatment has been completed. You can find her story on page 23 of the May 2019 *Nugget*. We reached out to Drs. Redford and Davey's office to get an update and this is what they shared with us.

### From Drs. Mark Redford and Randy Davey's office

We started seeing Mandy in 2019. When she came to us she was so sweet, kind and grateful for anything that we could do to help her get her beautiful smile back. The story of her past broke our hearts and she had come so far, so we felt the very least we could do to give back, was to help her.

We extracted multiple upper teeth, placed implants and restored with full anterior crowns. We also gave Mandy upper and lower partial dentures. Mandy did great through all the surgeries and left happy.





Thank you so much for your generosity and support in helping our clinic succeed. **We greatly appreciate your donations as our clinic would not be possible with your help.** The patients of Knight's Landing are also grateful for your help to keep their teeth healthy and beautiful. Thanks again and we look forward to continuing our partnership to help make this dental clinic possible.



### KRISTEN NGUYEN

KNIGHT'S LANDING DENTAL CLINIC  
(A STUDENT RUN CLINIC FROM THE UC DAVIS PRE DENTAL CLUB)

## 2020 FOUNDATION FINANCIALS

### CURRENT ASSETS

#### CHECKING / SAVINGS

	2001	2004	2008	2013	2018	2019	2020
Charitable Fund	\$26,399	\$46,339	\$117,878	\$181,110	\$0 (closed)	\$0 (closed)	\$0 (closed)
General Fund <i>Includes SFK/SFBK beginning in 2016</i>	\$15,244	\$68,371	\$173,921	\$484,774	\$894,862	\$963,000	\$1,053,688
Helen Hamilton Fund <i>Operating, program and grants monies</i>	\$93,776	\$60,772	\$73,668	\$151,128	\$236,024	\$273,102	\$300,169
Perpetual Fund	\$123,680	\$171,149	\$182,672	\$619,182	\$1,027,739	\$1,230,890	\$1,363,487
TOTAL CHECKING / SAVINGS:	\$259,099	\$358,070	\$554,287	\$1,460,013	\$2,158,625	\$2,466,991	\$2,716,710
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		\$3,543	\$1,750	\$4,031	\$4,251	\$11,204	(\$1,895)
PREPAID EXPENSES:		\$1,406	\$5,174	\$19,788	\$13,873	\$8,459	\$1,336
<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>	<b>\$259,099</b>	<b>\$363,019</b>	<b>\$561,211</b>	<b>\$1,460,013</b>	<b>\$2,176,749</b>	<b>\$2,486,654</b>	<b>\$2,716,785</b>

### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

	2001	2004	2008	2013	2018	2019	2020
Accounts Payable	\$0	\$0	\$304	\$17,522	\$7,259	\$0	\$17,666
Deferred Revenue <i>(Other Current Liabilities)</i>	\$0	\$17,690	\$4,119	\$10,301	\$11,507	\$11,438	\$22,385
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$17,690</b>	<b>\$4,424</b>	<b>\$27,832</b>	<b>\$18,766</b>	<b>\$11,438</b>	<b>\$40,051</b>

#### EQUITY

	2001	2004	2008	2013	2018	2019	2020
Retained Earnings	\$260,550	\$274,953	\$560,339	\$1,052,822	\$2,075,533	\$2,157,908	\$2,475,141
Net Income	-\$1,451	\$70,376	-\$3,551	\$379,359	\$82,450	\$317,309	\$201,517
<b>TOTAL EQUITY:</b>	<b>\$259,099</b>	<b>\$345,329</b>	<b>\$556,787</b>	<b>\$1,432,181</b>	<b>\$2,157,983</b>	<b>\$2,475,216</b>	<b>\$2,676,659</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY:</b>	<b>\$259,099</b>	<b>\$363,019</b>	<b>\$561,211</b>	<b>\$1,460,013</b>	<b>\$2,176,749</b>	<b>\$2,486,654</b>	<b>\$2,716,710</b>



# Your Donations Support These Foundation PROGRAMS & OUTREACH

## PROGRAMS



Our largest and most far-reaching project, Smiles for Kids® (SFK) (originally founded in 1991 by Dr. Gerard Ortner and Dr. Don Rolofson) was adopted and expanded by the Foundation in 2003. It partners member dentists with local schools to screen and provide dental education to thousands of children each year. From the screenings, underinsured and underserved children are treated by member dentists and their teams on SFK Day each February. Children are then “adopted” for further pro bono treatment – including specialty and orthodontic treatment. Each year, thousands of dollars in pro bono treatment is provided to children in the five county SDDS area. Smiles for Kids is making great strides toward reversing the disheartening statistics that plague the children of our community.



The Smiles for BIG Kids® (SFBK) program kicked off in 2009 to provide necessary dental services to uninsured and low-income adults. While SFK addresses the dental needs of children, SFBK promotes oral health to adults, provides donated dental treatment for uninsured, low-income adults age 19+ who are in need of urgent dental care, as well as education on maintaining proper oral health. This program is available to all area adults who meet the program's eligibility requirements, and especially targets the needs of our community's low-income elderly population, as well as the parents of children served by the SFK program. Since the program's inception, over \$1.7 million in services has been provided (an average of \$2,300 per patient).



In 2005, the Foundation partnered with a metal refinery and began Crowns for Kids® (CFK) to benefit Smiles for Kids. In this program, member dentists collect scrap metal from their patients' dental treatment in CFK jars, the jars are collected and sent to the metal refinery (Star Group), and the refinery sends a check to the Foundation each month. Since 2006, CFK has raised \$349,422 – and it all goes to benefit SFK!

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH & EDUCATION

### 1<sup>st</sup> Tooth OR 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday

The 1<sup>st</sup> Tooth or 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday campaign targets not only member dentists and the public, but the medical community (especially pediatricians). The message? Kids need to be seen by a dentist early, before problems arise. This early education and prevention message — and the 1T1B magnet and logo — is seen on bus tails, in medical offices as well as dental offices.



### Tooth Fairy Dental Education

Tooth Fairies frequently “fly” to SFK Day community events, and other locations to provide dental health education to children. Whether it is in person, or on the phone through the Tooth Fairy Hotline (916-446-1310), area children learn valuable dental health information and tips from the Tooth Fairies.

### Puppet Show Dental Education

Thanks to two very generous sponsors, we are able to offer two educational puppet shows that travel to local area schools informing and entertaining our community's children. We hope the message will make it's way back home and impact the entire family.



## SMILES FOR KIDS TO DATE BY THE NUMBERS

**521,000**

Kids served since 1991

**1400** School screenings to date



**467,000**

Kids screened since 1995

**THOUSANDS** HAVE VOLUNTEERED

**\$15.5 million**  
in Dental Treatment

**1,220** Kids received orthodontic treatment since 1996



**OVER SEVENTEEN THOUSAND KIDS TREATED SINCE 1991**

## SMILES FOR BIG KIDS BY THE NUMBERS SINCE 2009

**609** PATIENTS COMPLETED  
**738** PATIENTS PLACED



**47**  
AVERAGE AGE OF PATIENTS

**ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR**  
OVER THE AGE OF SIXTY

**\$2300** Average per patient this past year

### PARTNERS WHO REFER

Clara's House | Women's Empowerment  
Everyone for Veterans | St. John's Shelter  
Weave | Project Safe Haven  
Dentists and Specialists Private Referrals



**\$1.7 million**  
in Dental Treatment

**FIFTEEN**  
LABS PARTICIPATING

**22** Patients completed in 2020 (even with COVID)



# Foundation of the Sacramento District Dental Society

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## Thank you 2020 Foundation Members

January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

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## Love of Quilting and Our Dental Foundation!

In the beginning of November 2020, SDDF received a generous donation from our Past President, Dr. Nancy Archibald. Dr. Archibald swung by the SDDS office and dropped off beautiful, handmade quilts for SDDF to use to raise money for the Foundation.

For years now, Dr. Archibald has crafted quilts that she has donated to SDDF for our Holiday Party's Silent Auction. Although we weren't able to have an in-person Holiday Party this last year, with her beautiful quilt donation, we were still able to raise some money for the Foundation!

In March of 2021, Dr. Archibald stopped by the SDDS office again with another wonderful donation of quilts (shown above)! We thank Dr. Archibald for her generosity! Here is a little bit of the history of her quilt-making experience and her love for our Foundation:

### Message from Dr. Archibald

I made my first quilt years ago while in high school. Then, after I completed dental school, a friend of mine re-introduced me to quilting. In the mid 1990's my "hobby" took off.

I have found that I love to work with bright colors, patterns and fabrics and enjoy the challenge of learning new techniques.

Through the years I have given my quilts to family and friends and even several of my office staff.

In recent years I have donated quilts to our Dental Society's annual Holiday Party and silent auction. Money raised at the silent auction goes to our dental Foundation to provide dental care to those in need in our communities.

It has been a perfect fit for me. To give to our community through the Foundation. Someone bids on a quilt and gets to take home a one of a kind quilt and the Foundation receives the monies. For me, that is a win-win!

This year has been different in so many ways! With Covid it has been more difficult to have events that can benefit our Foundation. And we won't have our traditional holiday party this year. Yet, I still wanted to do something that would help benefit the Foundation. So, I am providing several quilts at this time for a silent auction.

It is my hope that you will take the time and bid on one or more! Remember, your money will go to a very good cause to help improve the lives of those within our own community!

Please visit [www.sdds.org/quilts/](http://www.sdds.org/quilts/) to view the quilts available for purchase! ■

See full images all 10 quilts on the SDDS website now:

Please visit [www.sdds.org/quilts/](http://www.sdds.org/quilts/) to purchase a quilt... or a few!





## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

- 2020 Marc Toma**  
Western University College  
of Dental Medicine
- 2019 Kylee Homecillo**  
Western University College  
of Dental Medicine
- 2018 Kevin O'Brien (Kenji)**  
University of the Pacific
- 2018 Anthony Luong**  
Western University  
Health Sciences
- 2018 Andy Dinh**  
University of California,  
Los Angeles
- 2017 Alicia Lucich**  
University of Las Vegas  
School of Dental Medicine
- 2016 Paul Dubinetsky**  
Roseman University of Health  
Sciences, College of Dental  
Medicine
- 2015 Soniya Patidar**  
Western University  
Dental School
- 2015 Yana Gerhardt  
(Shcherbanyuk)**  
Arizona School of Dentistry  
& Oral Health (ASDOH)
- 2014 Svetlana Guevara-Lara**  
UCSF Dental School  
Currently practicing in Sac.

## Dental Student Scholarship Endowed by the Yee Family

The dental scholarship was begun in 2014 to assist our new dental students matriculating from CSUS. The Yee Family has a heart for higher education. We are aware of the costs of dental school and want to do our part to help. There are over 15 dentists in our family and we are proud of our profession. This is a token of our appreciation to the CSUS Pre Dental Club and our way to pay it forward. When you have an opportunity to help someone, please remember those who mentored, supported, and believed in you. On Behalf of Dr. Herbert and Dr. Wesley Yee, we congratulate all the scholarship winners, in the past and this year (the 2021 winner will be announced in May). ■



Thank you Yee family!

## Updates From Our Past Recipients

We reached out to our past recipients to see how things were going with them and these are their responses.

### Marc Toma

Western University

We are almost done with our first year here at Western U! Things are going great so far. School has been very busy, but we have been able to dive deep into clinical dentistry even though we are in the pandemic. I'm enjoying Western U so much and very happy with my decision! It's crazy to think that D2 year is right around the corner!

### Kevin O'Brien (Kenji)

University of the Pacific

I graduated from UOP in June and was recently awarded the American College of Dentists (ACD) Outstanding Student Leader Award. I will be doing a GPR at the VA in Sacramento (McLellan Air Force Base) and will also be moonlighting in my father's practice in Sacramento. Baby boy #2 is on the way in April!

### Andy Dinh

University of California, Los Angeles

Andy reporting here from UCLA as a third year student. Almost full time in clinic now and planning on applying to AEGDs on the west coast in a few months. No specialties on my mind, besides possibly Endo, but we'll see! Still waiting to see everyone at SDDS and see Dr. Yee in person when things go back to normal.

### Dr. Paul Dubinetsky

Roseman University of Health Sciences,  
College of Dental Medicine

I graduated in 2020 and began a position in Springfield, MA. I stayed in MA for six months and relocated to Arizona. I accepted an associate dentist position and it happened to be the same office where Yana is working; such a small world!

**Dr. Yana Gerhardt (Shcherbanyuk)**

Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health

I still work at the same office since 2019 (part time) and Paul Dubinetsky joined us in January of this year. It's very nice having him there.

All is well on my side. Baby girl is already five months old. Once she grows a little, I'll be adding on more work days. Our four year old is in pre-school; he has an amazing memory, is very detail oriented and loves building legos.

Work is good; we've had a number of changes upon my return from maternity leave. We try to keep most of everything in house, I love the experience and the challenge, especially working with the patients from that area. Since it's almost an hour drive for me each way, I'm hoping to find something closer to home in the near future and I'm so happy Dr. Dubinetsky is there to take wonderful care of our patients.

Currently in Sacramento, spending some time with family and friends whom I miss dearly. It's been a long eight months since I last visited here. It looks like we'll be staying in the Phoenix area long term due to my husband's work.

**Kylee Homecillo**

University of Las Vegas,  
School of Dental Medicine

I am finishing up my spring semester of my 2nd year. I have ten more weeks until real patient care! Some noteworthy accomplishments from this year include; 1) I was awarded the WesternU HRSA DDS (Health Resources and Services Administration Diversity Development Scholarship) - this scholarship is a half tide scholarship that I was awarded, in return I will work in a public health setting for 1 year after graduation. 2) I currently hold the ASDA (American Student Dental Association) President position at WesternU.

**Anthony Luong**

Western University Health Sciences

I'm currently a third year dental student at WesternU. I am going to be in Sacramento for a rotation at the Sacramento Native American Health Center from mid April to mid June. Being in clinic this year has been amazing learning experience. I'm about to start studying for boards and apply to periodontal residencies this summer. I cannot wait to graduate in 2022!

**Dr. Soniya Patidar**

Western University Dental School

I graduated in 2019 from WesternU and have since been practicing at the same location in the Inland Empire. During dental school my husband and I fell in love with Southern California and in my 4th year of dental school we bought a home here. I'm in my 2nd year of working and life has changed so much. When I look back to the time in my life I received the Yee Scholarship I am reminded of the extreme need I had for it and how much it meant to me. I will forever be grateful for Cathy, SDDS, and the Yee Family Scholarship.

**Dr. Svetlana Guevara-Lara**

Roseman University of Health Sciences,  
College of Dental Medicine

What an exciting journey this has been. I will never forget the day I received the Yee Family Scholarship. It was the beginning to my future career that I had been planning for a very long time. I will be forever grateful for being the first recipient.

Throughout my journey into the dental field, SDDS has always been there for me especially Cathy. I cannot image not having the support and guidance from the society. I always recommend and am so proud to be a part of this beautiful community.

I started dental school with a baby girl and graduated with two baby girls. Today they are seven and three and am loving every moment of it.

Because of the pandemic I was out of work for about three months but am currently back to working full time in Sacramento. I will definitely stay in Sacramento and continue to practice here.

During these hard times, I am grateful to have such an amazing career in dentistry.

**Allicia Lucich**

University of Las Vegas,  
School of Dental Medicine

I'm just trying to graduate - doing good over here. Will graduate May 15th and go to Army officer training in June, then off to Georgia for a one year AEGD at Fort Benning. The kids are big and marriage survived dental school.



## Are you a member of our Foundation?

Foundation Membership invoices recently went out in the mail, so if you see a \$75 invoice from the Foundation, that is your Foundation Membership!

Your Foundation Membership helps to fund our Smiles for Kids, Smiles for Big Kids programs and other forms of community outreach!

Not yet a member of the Foundation? Email us at [sdds@sdds.org](mailto:sdds@sdds.org) to become a member and make a difference.

Thanks for your support!

## Text-To-Donate



Did you know our Foundation has a text-to-donate number? Donations help us fund our Smiles for Kids, Smiles for Big Kids programs and more!

Text "GIVE2SDDF" to 44321 to instantly receive a link to our Foundation fundraising page!



# Foundation of the Sacramento District Dental Society



## Thank you & Farewell Jim Hello Elizabeth

Jim Ryan of Star Dental Refining has been a great friend and partner with SDDS for over 12 years now! If you have a Crown for Kids jar in your office you've probably had the pleasure of meeting him. He has worked so hard over the years to help build up our Crown for Kids program to what it is today, and we will miss him in his retirement. Nearly every year the Crown for Kids program brings in \$20,000+ for our Foundation's Smiles for Kids program. Incredible! The photo below is from one of Jim's biggest pick ups, from Dr. Jill Beams' office—their jar was worth \$7,000! If you aren't currently participating in the Crown for Kids program, use this as your sign to start! You'll be helping a great cause and working with great people!

How long have you been working with SDDS and Crown for Kids?

**Jim:**

Since October 2008

Please share a memorable experience you've had during that time.

**Jim:**

In my first year, I was a part of the annual Smiles for Kids Day helping the kids who had no hope of any dental care if it wasn't for the SDDS program. Once you are a part of that, the program owns you. It's one of the most fulfilling programs I've ever been a part of.

What about working with Crown for Kids will you miss most, now that you're retired?

**Jim:**

I think one of the things I will miss the most is the relationships you build with the dentists who are part of the program and the feeling you get that you are helping these kids.

*Happy Retirement Jim!*



## Hello Elizabeth Tell us a little about yourself.

**Elizabeth:**

My name is Elizabeth Reynoso, mother of two wonderful daughters; Alexis 19 years old and Kiana 21 years old. I raised them on my own since they were one and three years old. I went through a near death situation that led me to a passion-based career after a spiritual awakening. After the awakening, I worked helping home owners go solar and at the same time help others get power in third world countries through Tesla/Solarcity. I also worked helping companies and high rise buildings in the area keep their

employees and customers safe with life fire and sprinkler inspections while working for Red Hawk Fire & Security. I realized I could make a difference by making sure buildings were up to date on their quarterly and annual inspections to avoid unnecessary deaths due to fires or malfunctions.

Do you have any experience working with a non-profit Foundation?

**Elizabeth:**

Tesla/Solarcity Givepower Foundation and Sunraising was a non profit that provided electricity through solar in schools and third

world countries that did not have electricity. It was exciting to be a part of it.

Did you know about the Crown for Kids program prior to stepping into Jim's shoes?

**Elizabeth:**

I was completely excited to hear about the Crown for Kids program through Jim. I was not aware of it until I started working for Star Dental Refining. I could never step into Jim's shoes because he has left a wonderful space in everyone's heart and all I can do is be myself in hopes of doing the same. ■

# Do you have a Crowns For Kids Jar in Your Office?



It's one of the easiest ways to support the SDDS Foundation. All you have to do is call Elizabeth, she'll drop off a jar for you and you call her when it's full or when you want it to be picked up. She'll bring an empty jar when she picks up and that's it! Super simple. We encourage you to join the ranks of your colleagues listed below!

## Participating Doctors

Dr. Gary Ackerman	Dr. Debra Finney	Dr. Stacy Peters-Nelson
Dr. Dean Ahmad	Foothills Dentistry	Pier 210 Dental Group
Dr. Craig Alpha	Fountains Dental Excellence	Dr. Moji Radi
American River Dental	Franck Family Dental	Dr. Hana Rashid
Dr. Nancy Archibald	Gateway Dental	Dr. Ibtisam Rashid
Arena Family Dental Care	Dr. Mitch Goodis	Dr. Christy Rollofson
Barnes Family Dental	Dr. Edi Guidi	Sacramento Oral Surgery
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Beautiful Smile Dentistry	Happy Tooth Dental Care	Dr. Purvi Shah
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Brookside Oral Surgery	Harmony Family Dental	Dr. Richard Shipp
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Elk Grove Endodontics	Dr. Michael O'Brien	Dr. Siri Ziese
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Dr. Angela Ferrari	Pearl Family Dentist	

## CROWNS FOR KIDS

**Totals since the beginning of the program -  
We need more doctors and their patients to participate!**

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
# repeat donors	62	106	110	111	79	128	110	130	110	87	41	46	17	47
# new donors	4	4	3	14	4	16	14	15	20	32	26	20	7	44
# pickups	66	109	116	125	83	144	124	145	133	120	67	69	24	93

## CROWNS FOR KIDS HAS RAISED TO DATE...

2006 **\$9,351**

2007 **\$15,126**

2008 **\$9,054**

2009 **\$30,645**

2010 **\$26,031**

2011 **\$24,450**

2012 **\$38,009**

2013 **\$27,782**

2014 **\$22,628**

2015 **\$20,292**

2016 **\$17,415**

2017 **\$28,858**

2018 **\$19,365**

2019 **\$25,220**

2020 **\$22,060**

2021 **\$13,136**

**GRAND TOTAL  
\$349,422**

# Smiles for Kids 2020-21

## Our Cups Runneth Over with Smiles!

Thank you to all volunteers for BOTH 2020 and 2021 Smiles for Kids program. Before COVID shutdown, we were able to do SFK Day in February 2020. However, we were not able to do an actual SFK Day in 2021 because fall screenings were cancelled, and most schools were still closed in February. 2021 Adopt a Kid program is now in full swing – thank you to all who have already volunteered!



### School Screening Volunteers

Dr. Robin Berrin  
Dr. Michelle Borg  
Dr. Michael Boyce  
Dr. Andrea Cervantes  
Dr. Wai Chan  
Dr. Tracy Cook  
Dr. Robert Daby  
Dr. Paul Denzler  
Dr. Lisa Dobak  
Dr. Jason Fligor  
Dr. Melissa Fong  
Dr. Eman Ghoneim  
Dr. Matthew Gustafsson  
Dr. Kerry Hanson  
Dr. Russell Hirano  
Dr. Denise Jabusch  
Dr. Sean Khodai  
Dr. Michelle Kucera  
Dr. Mark Kujiraoka  
Dr. Tyson Lechner  
Dr. Yen Lieu  
Dr. Kristen Morgan  
Dr. Mahnaz Moussavi  
Dr. Kayla Nguyen  
Dr. John Noe  
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Dr. Jordan Priestley  
Dr. Lindsey Robinson  
Dr. Jennifer Ryan  
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Dr. Steve Tshuchida  
Dr. Archana Wakode  
Dr. Michael Young  
Deborah Buchanan, RDH  
Brenda Paquin, RDHAP  
Christina Cox, RDH  
Leslie Giovannoni, RDHAP  
Carrington College  
Chapa De  
WIC Dental Program  
Placer County Oral Health

### SFK Day - Dentists

Dr. Kreston Anderson  
Dr. Ron Ask  
Dr. Jerhet Ask  
Dr. Thais Booms  
Dr. William Bratton  
Dr. Andrea Cervantes  
Dr. Barry Dunn  
Dr. Sher Himmat Gill  
Dr. Carl Hillendahl  
Dr. Jose Juarez  
Dr. Bryan Judd  
Dr. Gagandeep Kandola  
Dr. Craig Kinzer  
Dr. Emerson Lake  
Dr. Curtis Le  
Dr. Tyson Lechner  
Dr. Evan Lomen  
Dr. Brandon Martin  
Dr. Daniel Martin  
Dr. Sydney Moore  
Dr. Chalise Morgan  
Dr. Thomas Nguyen  
Dr. Nawal Osman  
Dr. Purak Parikh  
Dr. Viren Patel  
Dr. Karthik Raghuraman  
Dr. Robert Ramirez  
Dr. Mandeep Randhawa  
Dr. Hana Rashid  
Dr. Jyothsna Reddy  
Dr. Sabalam  
Dr. Leon Roda  
Dr. Matthew Sanders  
Dr. Rajbir Sanghvi  
Dr. Dwight Simpson  
Dr. Andrea Sosa  
Dr. Janice Work

### SFK Day - Sites

Ascot Family Dental  
Jackson Creek Dental  
The office of  
Dr. Janice Work  
Pediatric Dentistry of  
West Sacramento  
Roseville Dental Group  
Sheldon Grove  
Family Dental

Smile Kingdom  
Truckee Dentistry  
Shingle Springs  
Health & Wellness

### SFK Day - RDAs

Stacey Arnett  
Jennifer Axtell  
Ashley Babakhanyan  
Starla Babasin  
Dulce Barrera  
Baigalmaa Bayasgalan  
Caty Bayless  
Sandy Bell  
Morgan Brumet  
Marie Buckley  
Traci Caraway  
Kathy Chapla  
Lisa Cook  
Stephanie Coustier  
Christina Dow  
Kelsey Dowlat  
Lora Ede-Colley  
Rim Elsinny  
Rachel Frazier  
Linsey Freeman  
Brittney Geroen  
Melissa Graham  
Evly Graiser  
Kaylee Harding  
Valerie Hernandez  
Ariana Hernandez  
Evelly Jaurequi  
Cassidy Jones  
Lemar Jones  
Donna Kauti  
Morgan Kelley  
Nasrin Khalil  
Laurel Ladoncoeur  
Mimi Lopez  
Erika McCarthy  
Danielle Moore  
Christina Moua  
Jackie Nakarr  
Carol Napolitano  
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Mina Rahimi  
Alicia Reyes  
Alette Romac  
Bobbie Santa Maria

Jocelyn Shaw  
Emily Sierck  
Valerie Smith  
Rebekah Socorro  
Kelli St. Dennis  
Rachel Stokes  
Gabbey Vinalon-Brown  
Alisha Waldow  
Mayee Walker  
Ahmed Wedatalla  
Kylee West

### SFK Day - DAs

Romeo Goncalves  
Robbie Hadley  
Celest Johnson  
Dana Kuchik  
Tina Lamothe  
Lorraine Lopez  
Maria Mendoza  
Shawna Ramirez  
Sherrie Schaub  
Alyssa Skidgel

### SFK Day - RDHs

Jeanna Berezay  
Samantha Brown  
Jessica Caballero  
Alix Davis  
Sierra Gasaway  
Christine Gaul  
Melanie Goff  
Evly Graiser  
Breanna Johnson  
Jennifer Johnson  
Heather McGargill  
Giampiero Monfared  
Kelly Nadeau  
Maree Nicholas  
Rachel Stokes  
Marci Tait  
Dena Trotter  
JoEllen Werner  
Barbara Woodruff  
Linda Yost

### SFK Day - Office Staff

Amanda Aikawa  
Rebecca Byerly  
MJ Byerly  
Yesenia Cervantes  
Domonic De Bruin  
Star Delap  
Sandy Garcia  
Linda Goettsch  
Eleyna Guerrero  
Sofia Gutierrez  
Ciara Hawkins  
Stacy Jacques  
Jen Jackson  
Raquel Juarez  
Cathy Levering  
Erin Lindner  
Daniel Loveland  
Krissy Luna  
Maribel Martinez  
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Anne Rogerson  
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Ruth Stiltz  
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Cathy Vanderford  
John Williamson

### Adopt-a-Kid 2020-21

### General Dentists

Dr. Kyle Adams  
Dr. Kreston Anderson  
Dr. Ron Ask  
Dr. Jerhet Ask  
Dr. Timothy Bennett  
Dr. Andrea Cervantes  
Dr. Richard Chang  
Dr. Scott Churchill  
Dr. Lisa Dobak  
Dr. Jose Juarez

Dr. Craig Kinzer  
Dr. Emerson Lake  
Dr. Mandeep Randhawa  
Dr. Leon Roda  
Dr. Dwight Simpson  
Dr. Dina Wasileski  
Dr. Cynthia Weideman  
Dr. Janice Work  
Dr. David Westerhaus

### Oral Surgeons

Dr. Craig Alpha  
Dr. Dale Alto  
Dr. Gregory Heise  
Dr. Don Kim  
Dr. Donald Liberty  
Dr. Esther Rhee  
Dr. Michael Preskar  
Dr. Reza Fouladi

### Orthodontists

Dr. Steve Anderson  
Dr. Thais Booms  
Dr. Brian Crawford  
Dr. Kent Daft  
Dr. Kent Daft  
Dr. Marc Dunn  
Dr. Kelly Giannetti  
Dr. Dan Haberman  
Dr. Gloria Nollie  
Dr. John Oshetski  
Dr. Michael Payne  
Dr. Don Rollofson  
Dr. Matthew Sanders  
Dr. Matt Sandretti  
Dr. Richard Talbot  
Dr. Alan Tan  
Dr. Melvin Walters  
Dr. Timothy York

### GPs (Ortho)

Dr. Craig Kinzer  
Dr. Leon Roda  
Dr. Dwight Simpson

### Pediatric Dentists

Dr. Paul Johnson  
Dr. Sydney Moore  
Dr. Jeffrey Sue

# Smiles for Big Kids 2020-21

### Participating Dentists

Dr. Craig Alpha  
Dr. Jessica Alt  
Dr. Dale Alto  
Dr. Kreston Anderson  
Dr. Sarwandeep Bath

Dr. Paul Binon  
Dr. Kirsten Chang  
Dr. Richard Chang  
Dr. Scott Churchill  
Dr. Matthew Comfort  
Dr. Robert Dabyu  
Dr. Kent Daft

Dr. Lisa Dobak  
Dr. John Fat  
Dr. Gregory Hailey  
Dr. Lauren Hanschu  
Dr. Daniel Harlan  
Dr. Mahin Harris  
Dr. Gregory Heise

Dr. Brock Hinton  
Dr. Bryan Judd  
Dr. Kevin Keating  
Dr. Lila Kim  
Dr. Don Liberty  
Dr. Daniel Mazza  
Dr. Quynh Pham

Dr. Mark Redford  
Dr. Bevan Richardson  
Dr. Charles Smurthwaite  
Dr. Asvin Vasanathan  
Dr. Wes Yee

### Participating Labs

Corr Dental Lab  
Mike's Dental Laboratory  
Mouer Dental Lab  
Sedgwick Dental Lab





# Thank you!

to our Smiles For Kids and Smiles for Big Kids  
2020 Grantors and Sponsors!



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Dr. Skip & Cookie Lawrence

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Burkhart Dental Supply  
CSUS Pre-Dental Club —  
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Henry Schein Dental  
Procter & Gamble  
Sprig Oral Health Technologies  
TDSC  
Patterson Dental Supply

## GRANTS AWARDED THROUGH THE YEARS—SINCE 2003

Year Received Program Amount Awarded

### ADA Foundation

2014..... SFK ..... \$10,000  
2003..... SFK ..... \$15,000

### ADA Foundation - Harris Grant

2010..... 1T1B..... \$5,000

### California Endowment

2010..... SFK ..... \$25,000

### California Wellness Foundation

2015..... SFBK..... \$150,000

### CDA Foundation

2011..... SFBK..... \$10,000  
2010..... SFK ..... \$10,000  
2008..... SFBK..... \$10,000  
2007..... SFK ..... \$9,250

### Henry Schein Supplies Grant/CDA Foundation

2014..... SFK/SFBK..... \$50,000  
2013..... SFK/SFBK..... \$50,000  
2012..... SFK/SFBK..... \$50,000  
2010..... SFK/SFBK..... \$50,000  
2008..... SFK ..... \$50,000

### CHW / Dignity Community Grants

2012..... SFK/BK..... \$50,000  
2011..... SFK ..... \$40,000  
2010..... SFK ..... \$25,000  
2009..... SFK ..... \$25,000  
2008..... SFK ..... \$20,000

### CPS Community Action Network

2004..... SFK ..... \$2,500

### Del Webb Foundation

2016..... SFK ..... \$20,000  
2014..... SFBK..... \$25,000

### Delta Dental

2018..... Scholarship ..... \$75,000  
2011..... SFBK..... \$20,000  
2004..... SFK ..... \$10,000

### First 5 Children's Coalition/ Cover the Kids

2006..... SFK ..... \$22,500

### Kaiser Community Benefit

2012..... SFK ..... \$20,000

Year Received Program Amount Awarded

### Oral Health Fndn of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

2020..... SFK ..... \$5,000  
2020..... SFBK..... \$7,500  
2018..... SFK ..... \$5,000

### Patterson Foundation

2016..... SFK ..... \$10,000  
2014..... SFK ..... \$13,400

### Ronald McDonald House Charities

2014..... SFK ..... \$2,500  
2009..... SFK ..... \$10,000  
2004..... SFK ..... \$6,667

### Rotary Club of Sacramento/ Bids for Kids (BFK)

2004..... SFK ..... \$65,725

### Rumsey Community Fund

2004..... SFK ..... \$2,500

### Sacramento Region Community Foundation/ Give Something Back Fund

2006..... SFK ..... \$1,054  
2005..... SFK ..... \$1,216

### Sacramento Region Community Foundation/ Knapp Fund

2021..... SFK ..... \$7,000  
2020..... SFK ..... \$5,000  
2019..... SFK ..... \$5,000  
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2007..... SFK ..... \$1,000  
2004..... SFK ..... \$1,000

### Sacramento Region Community Foundation/ Luchetti Fund

2004..... SFK ..... \$3,333

Year Received Program Amount Awarded

### Sierra Health Foundation

2008..... SFK ..... \$32,863  
2005..... SFK ..... \$122,000  
2004..... SFK ..... \$10,000  
2003..... SFK ..... \$10,000

### Sutter Health Sac Sierra Region (sponsorship, not grant)

2021..... Puppet Show ..... \$1,500  
2020..... Puppet Show ..... \$2,500  
2019..... SFK/Puppet Show ..... \$2,500  
2018..... SFK/Puppet Show ..... \$2,500  
2017..... SFK/Puppet Show ..... \$2,500  
2016..... SFK ..... \$2,500  
2015..... SFK/1T1B..... \$2,500  
2014..... Gala ..... \$2,500  
2014..... SFK ..... \$2,500  
2012..... SFK/1T1B..... \$40,000

### Teichert Foundation

2009..... SFBK..... \$5,000

### United Concordia

2020..... SFK ..... \$3,500  
2019..... SFK ..... \$3,500  
2018..... SFK ..... \$3,000  
2017..... SFK ..... \$2,500  
2016..... SFK ..... \$2,500  
2015..... SFK ..... \$2,500  
2014..... SFK ..... \$2,500

### Wells Fargo

2013..... SFK/BK..... \$5,000

### Yee Family Fund

2014-2020..... Scholarship ..... \$49,000

Total Grants \$903,000

Total Contributions \$200,500

Total Scholarship Grants \$124,000

**TOTAL GRANTS RECEIVED**  
**\$1,227,500**



## Celebration of Foundation Donors

January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

### Grants

#### Smiles for Kids Grants \$7,500

Sutter Health Sacramento  
Sierra Region  
Pierre Fauchard Academy -  
Oral Health Foundation

#### Smiles for Big Kids Grants \$7,500

Pierre Fauchard Academy -  
Oral Health Foundation

### Program Contributions

#### Smiles for Kids \$15,200

All memorial donations for  
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Karen Harris  
Jennifer Jackson  
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Dr. Kim Wallace  
Dr. Ian Wong  
Dr. Karen Yee  
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### Contributions and Pledges

**\$37,800**

#### Perpetual Fund Endowment, Annual Pledge Fund and General Fund

Dr. Gary Ackerman  
*In honor of...*  
*Dr. Viren Patel*  
  
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**\$6,155**

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*In memory of...*  
*Dr. Lionel Richards*

Dr. Wesley Yee  
*In memory of...*  
*Mrs. William Levering*

Sacramento District  
Dental Society  
*In memory of...*  
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## Foundation Members

Raised \$388,000 to date

Being a member of the Foundation is the easiest way to help support the Foundation. It's \$75 a year.

## Donors/Contributors

Raised \$842,000 to date

There are so many ways to donate to the Foundation. You can make a donation in honor or memory of a loved one, attend or participate in one of the events listed on this page, you can send a check, call in with a credit card or you could even text a donation to the Foundation! The texting option is super simple, just text "GIVE2SDDF" to 44321 to instantly receive a link to our Foundation fundraising page!

## Swing for Smiles Golf Tournament

Raised \$234,000 to date

There are multiple ways to get yourself involved in this awesome annual event! You can sign up yourself as a single golfer and get placed with a team, or grab three of your friends and sign up as a foursome! There are also lots of great sponsorship opportunities: sponsor anything from a tee or green all the way up to lunch for the day!

The Swing for Smiles Golf Tournament is a great day of golf, fun with friends and vendors all in support of our wonderful Foundation!



## Other Ways to Give

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Raised \$199,000 to date

(Bump dinner is 100K of that!)

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## Big Day of Giving/Giving Tuesday/ Spirit of Giving

Raised \$200,000 to date

These are specific days that happen annually to help non-profits reach out to the community for donations.

In lieu of sending holiday treats or thank you gifts to colleagues, make a donation in their honor to the SDDS Foundation. The SDDS staff will send a note on your behalf notifying them of your contribution.

## Smiles for Sacramento Gala

Raised \$235,000 to date

The Gala is not an annual event. It was held in 2011, 2014 and 2019. The 2019 Gala was a special one – we raised \$50,000 for the Foundation! In 2019 we celebrated 125 years for SDDS (1894-2019) and 50 years for SDDS' Foundation (1969-2019)!

## Shred Day

Raised \$10,000 to date

The shred event is free to SDDS Foundation members who have less than 10 boxes to shred. If they have 10 or more boxes, we ask that a \$100 donation be made to the Foundation. For SDDS members who are not members of the Foundation, it is \$100 for 1-9 boxes and an additional \$100 for 10 or more boxes.

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## Congratulations, Dr. Bryan Judd, 2020 Helen Hamilton Award Winner!

In recognition for his outstanding volunteer service to our community and serving our organization, the SDDS Foundation is proud to present Dr. Bryan Judd with the prestigious Helen Hamilton Award. For the past 10 years, and since the inception of the Smiles for Big Kids Program (started by Dr. Robert Gillis in 2009), Dr. Judd has adopted 60 various adult patients. All of these patients could not afford treatment, were in pain and needed urgent treatment, didn't have insurance or any other means, or



elderly and on fixed incomes. More than half were over the age of 60 – including two who were 95 and 98 years old!

Dr. Judd has volunteered his pro bono treatment to single, working moms, victims of abuse, a WW2 Veteran (see photo to the left), and many more. Thank you Corr Dental Lab for donating \$4500 of lab work for Suzanna Warner's treatment!

The Helen Hamilton Memorial Award was first awarded in 2000 in honor of Helen Hamilton, the first Executive Director of the SDDS from 1969-1987. Mrs. Hamilton, made sure that an orthodontic fund be established for financially challenged children and their families when she passed on.

The Helen Hamilton Award is presented to an SDDF member who has donated considerable time and talent to the Sacramento District Dental Foundation. This Award is very special to our Society. We thank Dr. Judd for all he has done for these wonderful and needy patients. Great work!



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In this monthly column, we will offer information pertinent to you, the dentist as the business owner.

## COVID-19 Prevention Regulations Apply To Fully Vaccinated Dental Patients & Staff Until Cal/OSHA Amends Regulations

The California Division of Occupational Safety and Health's current regulations on COVID-19 related screening, testing and quarantining apply to dentists, dental team members and other health care workers in California who are fully vaccinated against the novel coronavirus, as well as to fully vaccinated patients who enter health care settings.

Dental offices, therefore, must continue to screen all patients and dental staff, including those who are fully vaccinated, for COVID-19 and follow other Cal/OSHA regulations on COVID-19 prevention, such as using proper personal protective equipment and requiring that patients wear masks and socially distance, until Cal/OSHA amends its COVID-19 regulations. These infection prevention procedures must be documented in a written plan, as required by Cal/OSHA.

Following an uptick in vaccine supply and administration, news outlets earlier this month widely reported the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's interim public health recommendations for fully vaccinated individuals. The CDC considers a person fully vaccinated if more than two weeks have passed since they received a single-dose vaccine, like the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine by Johnson & Johnson, or the second in a two-dose vaccine series.

But the news created confusion both for health care workers and patients seeking care because those recommendations are intended only for non-health-care settings and allow fully vaccinated people to refrain from observing

social distancing and wearing masks in some situations. They also allow fully vaccinated individuals to refrain from COVID-19 testing and quarantine following exposure to someone with confirmed or suspected COVID-19.

The CDC issued separate recommendations for fully vaccinated individuals in health care settings, and those recommendations more closely align with current Cal/OSHA regulations. Cal/OSHA expects to update its regulations to address exposure protocols for fully vaccinated employees later this year. Until then, dental practices should continue to:

- Screen all patients and staff for COVID-19 and record employees' COVID-19 symptoms, exposure or positive test, regardless of whether the employee was exposed in the dental office (CDA has a tracking form)
- Ask fully vaccinated staff who have had close contact with someone who tested positive for or has symptoms of COVID-19 to quarantine
- Ensure six feet of physical distancing
- Provide employees with proper personal protective equipment, including respirators for aerosol generating procedures
- Follow all other Cal/OSHA COVID-19 prevention regulations

Cal/OSHA will enforce annual fit requirements for tight-fitting respirators.

Medical evaluation and fit testing is a Cal/OSHA requirement for use of most respirators,

including the N95. Employers are required to provide an initial fit test and an annual fit test. "Annual" means one year from the last fit test for the specific model being used.

Although OSHA temporarily suspended the annual fit test in April 2020 due to the public health crisis, Cal/OSHA announced it would continue enforcing the annual fit-test requirement. The agency will allow a 90-day delay for meeting annual fit-testing requirements provided there are no changes in an employee's physical condition that could affect respirator fit. Such conditions include, but are not limited to, facial scarring, dental changes, cosmetic surgery or an obvious change in body weight.

Fit testing is a two-step process that is usually performed by two different entities: The medical evaluation occurs first and is followed by the actual fit test. A licensed health care professional must perform the medical evaluation using a questionnaire to gather specific required information.

Dental practices that do not receive consistent shipments of the types and sizes of respirators they ordered should document those events. Cal/OSHA only considers NIOSH-certified respirators, such as N95s, as appropriate protection when respiratory protection is required in the dental office.

The CDA Practice Support resource N95 Fit Testing Requirements explains how to locate a medical evaluator and fit tester and all the steps required as part of the fit test.

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# CDA Major Issues and Priorities 2021

## 1. AB 454: Practice Stability and Plan Accountability — Co-sponsor

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the ability of medical and dental plans to make record profits during a public health emergency by collecting premiums while paying fewer claims when patients receive less care. Due to COVID-19, provider practices are suffering with reduced patient volume and significant increases in costs for personal protective equipment (PPE) and new infection control procedures. The majority of dental practices in California still have patient volumes at least 15% lower than pre-pandemic levels, while PPE costs have increased as much as tenfold. CDA and the California Medical Association are co-sponsoring AB 454 by Assemblymember Freddie Rodriguez (D-Pomona), which would give the director of the Department of Managed Health Care and the Insurance Commissioner of California emergency authority to require plans to support providers through various means such as grants, increased rates, forgivable no-interest loans or payments for increased costs of mandatory infection control measures during any future public health emergency. State regulators need to have adequate options available during emergencies to ensure that provider networks stay intact and prevent major disruptions in access to care. While AB 454 focuses on future public health emergencies and natural disasters, CDA also strongly supports SB 242 (Newman), which is the urgent, near-term solution to reimburse providers for PPE and infection control supplies related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## 2. AB 526: Vaccine Administration and COVID-19 Testing — Sponsor

CDA is sponsoring AB 526 by Assemblymember Jim Wood, DDS, (D-Healdsburg), which amends the Dental Practice Act to allow dentists to administer COVID-19 and flu vaccines. This bill

would codify the current Department of Consumer Affairs waiver that allows dentists to administer COVID-19 vaccines during the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency. Specifically, it would allow a dentist to prescribe and administer influenza and COVID-19 vaccines approved by the FDA in compliance with federal vaccination schedule guidelines.

Three states already allow dentists to administer vaccines and 21 other states have issued executive orders or similar types of authorization to permit dentists to administer COVID-19 vaccines.

AB 526 would also align the California Department of Public Health regulations with federal law so dentists can obtain the appropriate state licensure alongside their Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments certificate, which will allow them to conduct COVID-19 rapid tests to screen their patients and dental team members when such tests become widely available and appropriate for use in the dental office.

## 3. State Budget: Medi-Cal Dental Program Infection Control Reimbursement

CDA is requesting a one-time general fund appropriation of \$40 million (\$80 million total fund) to reimburse Medi-Cal Dental providers for some of the new COVID-19 related costs of mandatory, medically necessary infection control and PPE. Since dental practices reopened in June 2020, they have continued to have significantly increased overhead costs combined with decreased patient volume due to COVID-19 safety guidelines and lingering public hesitation around restarting health care treatment. State investments in the Medi-Cal program over recent years, including restoration of adult benefits, the Dental Transformation Initiative, Proposition 56 rate increases and administrative improvements, have led to a

20% increase in newly enrolled Medi-Cal dental providers since 2017 and significant increases in utilization of dental services. The state is at risk of backsliding on these gains due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Dental practices are having difficulty paying the additional overhead costs associated with the increased PPE necessary to provide care and are considering disenrolling from the Medi-Cal program, which will cause a constriction of the dental network and reduce access to care.

## 4. MICRA Repeal Ballot Measure — Oppose

The Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act allows injured patients to receive unlimited economic damages for all past and future medical costs, lost wages and lifetime earning potential. MICRA also allows up to \$250,000 in noneconomic damages and includes a limit on attorneys' fees, stabilizes liability costs and reduces incentives for frivolous lawsuits against health care providers. A group of trial lawyers have qualified a ballot measure for the November 2022 election that would essentially eliminate MICRA's protections. This measure would undeniably raise health care costs and reduce access to care for those who need it most, including people who use Medi-Cal, county health programs, safety-net providers and school-based health centers.

CDA is part of Californians to Protect Patients and Contain Health Care Costs, a broad coalition including physicians, nurses, hospitals, safety-net clinics and other health care providers who are committed to fighting this initiative.

## 5. AB 733: Increasing Oral Health Care Through Medical-Dental Integration — Co-sponsor

CDA and the California Dental Hygienists Association are co-sponsoring a collaborative effort to help improve access to care for

Medi-Cal Dental beneficiaries without a dental home. AB 733 by Assemblymember David Chiu (D-San Francisco) seeks to expand access to oral health care for Medi-Cal-enrolled children and pregnant people by allowing RDHAPs to partner with physicians in medical settings to provide fluoride treatments and oral health education and to coordinate care with dental providers and the dental care system. CDA and CDHA are working with stakeholders including the California Society of Pediatric Dentists, CMA, Children Now and the American Academy of Pediatrics-California on this collaborative effort to expand access to care and improve medical-dental integration.

## 6. AB 1400: Single Payer Health Care — Oppose

CDA is committed to improving the state's health care delivery system and to extending health coverage to all Californians. We are eager to work with lawmakers on solutions the state is capable of implementing to achieve universal coverage and protect the significant progress made under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), which allowed California to achieve a larger reduction in its uninsured rate than any other state. Introduced by

Assemblymembers Kalra, Lee and Santiago, AB 1400 would replace Medicare, Medi-Cal, all private insurance and the Covered California exchange with one state health care program. CDA has numerous concerns with such a proposal including the lack of any funding details and the great difficulty the state has meeting its existing obligations to underserved patients in the Medi-Cal program. Creating the single-payer health care system proposed in AB 1400 would also require passage of a ballot measure by voters, approval from the federal government and could require hundreds of billions in new tax revenues.

## 7. AB 1163: Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Local Tax Preemption — Co-sponsor

Sugar-sweetened beverages are the single largest source of added sugar in the American diet. They are also the primary cause of various health conditions including tooth decay, which affects more than two-thirds of California children (making dental caries the most common chronic childhood disease). CDA and a coalition of more than a dozen leading health care organizations are pursuing legislation, AB

1163 by Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian (D-North Hollywood), to return power to local cities and counties, allowing them to pass local sugary drink excise taxes if they are appropriate for their own community. When the legislature passed a statewide preemption on these local taxes in 2018, the state eliminated a popular and helpful tool that municipalities can use to raise additional revenue and improve public health — dual policy objectives especially important in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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# Committee Corner

## Programming, Suggestions and Planning... The PAG is on its WAY

Much like Santa's Workshop and all the planning that goes into the prep for the holidays, SDDS too has somewhat of a "Santa's workshop approach" to the program planning for the months to come. We plan FAR in advance, we contract with speakers who have awesome topics, and we listen to our members' opinions on what they want. Most especially, we read the surveys of the people who attend our programs and hope to fulfill their suggestions.

That said – it all works. Usually. And in normal times. But it hasn't been normal at all. We've changed and pivoted for the last year and half.

Now it's time to implement what we have learned, blend what has worked, alter and fix what didn't work and try some new ideas. Thank you for your input (to those of you who have given it).

Our upcoming schedule for 2021-2022 is almost finished – it is called Program at a Glance (PAG). We will be back in person and live in some of our events, and we will also try some virtual and Zoom programs as well.

We have heard from many that they miss the peer networking and the live events – our general meetings will go live again in September. And we will also do some CE programs via Zoom and in person (including hands on). We're trying to find something for everyone – and include programming for dentists as well as their teams.

We hope you will look at the PAG and all that we are offering and the dates provided – plan to sign up early, attend and make space on your calendars, knowing the dates way in advance. Trust us, you will not be disappointed.

Highlights will include: CPR, CE Courses, Business Forums, HR Webinars, Practice Management Programs, MidWinter Convention (it's back next February!), and General Meetings – here's a taste of the GM topics and dates to the right.

We are planning for all programs for the next year, Continuing Education, Business Forums, CPR dates and more! ■

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### general meetings

#### **SEPTEMBER 14, 2021** 3 CEU, CORE **Implant Throwdown**

Ash Vasanthan, DDS, MS; Dale Alto, DDS;  
and Pieter Linssen, DDS

#### **OCTOBER 12, 2021** 3 CEU, CORE **Physical Therapy for the Dental Professional and Your Patients**

Alex Ray, DPT

#### **NOVEMBER 9, 2021** 3 CEU, CORE **Which Piece of Plastic to Choose? Night Guards, Day Splints, Snore Guards and Sleep Apnea**

Jamison Spencer, DMD, MS

#### **JANUARY 11, 2022** 3 CEU, CORE **"SDDS Talk" Night - 15 on 15 - Pediatric Pearls (15 Minutes, 15 Slides, 5 Speakers)**

Jeff Sue, DDS; Jeff McComb, DDS; CC Chiang, DMD, MS,  
MBA; Richard Knight, DDS, MS; and Stephanie Kim, DMD

#### **MARCH 8, 2022** 3 CEU, CORE **Title TBA - but going to be great!**

David Hatcher, DDS

#### **APRIL 12, 2022** 3 CEU, CORE **Taking the Bite Out of California's Tooth Decay**

Jay Kumar, DDS

#### **MAY 10, 2022** 3 CEU, 20% **The State of the Dental Practice**

Anders Bjork, CDA

## 2021 SDDS Committee Schedule

### Standing Committees

**CPR Committee** (courses)  
Aug 18 • Sep 17 • Nov 12

**Nominating/Leadership  
Development**  
Completed

### Foundation

**Foundation Board**  
Sep 21

### Other

**Sac Pac**  
TBA

**CDA House of Delegates**  
Nov 11-13

### Advisory Committees

**Continuing Education Advisory**  
TBA

**Mass Disaster/Forensics Advisory**  
Sep 21

**Nugget Editorial Advisory**  
Sep 20

**Strategic Plan Advisory**  
Schedule as needed

**Budget and Finance Advisory**  
Schedule as needed

**Bylaws Advisory**  
Schedule as needed

**Legislative Advisory**  
Schedule as needed

### Leadership

**Board of Directors**  
May 4 • Sep 7 • Nov 2

**Executive Committee**  
Aug 6 • Oct 8 • Dec 3

### Task Forces

**Mediation Review**  
TBA

**Member Benefits/Services**  
TBA

**Oral Health/Prop 56 Initiatives**  
Sep 17

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## Can My Employee Refuse to Come Back to Work Post COVID?

By California Employers Association (SDDS Vendor Member)

As the COVID-19 hospitalizations continue to decline and vaccinations continue to increase, more employers are requiring employees to return to the office. A frequent question on our HR Advisor Hotline is whether an employer can fire an employee if they refuse to come back to work.

While we cannot stress enough that you must first consider all of the reasons someone might refuse to return to the office, it's unlikely that fear of the virus or preferring to work from home will be a legally defensible excuse for refusing to work in the office.

### 1. What do I do if my employees don't want to come back to work?

It depends on why they are not coming back to work. If the employee refuses with no explanation or reason, ask the employee for a reason. If none is given, then the employee is voluntarily separating from employment or terminated (refer to your policy). However, if the employee or a family member has a health-related issue impacting their ability to return, you must determine if the employee is protected under applicable law (such as the Americans with Disabilities Act [ADA], Fair Employment and Housing Act [FEHA], or local supplemental [COVID-related] paid sick leave) requiring a leave of absence or another form of reasonable accommodation. If there is a childcare-related issue review the new emergency leaves and California's school activities leave.

### 2. What if my employee says they are afraid to return to work?

Fear of the virus is on the mind of most employees being called back to work. People might say, "I'm afraid I will get sick at work

and bring it home to my family." In the notice to employees that there is work available, employers should outline all actions being taken to comply with federal, state, and local laws to ensure a safe and healthy workplace such as cleaning protocol, staggered shifts, social distancing, etc. And, make sure that you have met all those safety requirements. Check your local city and county COVID-19 resource pages, as well as CDC and Cal-OSHA for guidance. Tell your employees additional training on these protocols will be implemented on their return.

### 3. What if my employee says that they are "immunocompromised"?

When an employee tells you that they are not willing to come back to work because they are immunocompromised you should now begin going through the ADA/FEHA interactive process to determine what accommodations are needed to allow them to return to work safely. Request a doctor's note outlining any limitations and proposed accommodations including, but not limited to, providing the employee with a special mask, allowing the employee to work remotely, or putting the employee on a leave of absence.

### 4. Am I allowed to take my employee's temperature?

Yes. Employers are allowed to ask about COVID-related symptoms and take the temperature of employees under guidance from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). If temperature taking at the workplace is mandated, the time spent being tested and waiting for a test is considered part of the workday. Reminder—those records are confidential medical records that should be

maintained so that only those with a legitimate right of access can see those files.

Note: Cal/OSHA's emergency temporary regulation does not permit employers to mandate COVID-19 testing as a condition of returning to work. You may request a release from the employee's doctor that they are cleared to come back to work.

### 5. Should I require my employees to wear a mask?

Yes, Cal/OSHA's emergency temporary regulation requires employees to wear face coverings under most circumstances, unless a reasonable accommodation is requested related to a disability/medical condition or sincerely held religious belief. While employees can choose to wear their own, preferred face coverings, the employer is required to provide face coverings or reimburse employees for this cost.

### 6. Can I require my employees to get vaccinated before returning to the office?

Since vaccines aren't widely available yet, a policy requiring vaccinations may be premature. However, in general, you may require employees to get the COVID-19 vaccine, so long as the vaccination is job-related and consistent with business necessity. Certain industries (i.e., healthcare, emergency responders, essential workers, customer-facing businesses) may have stronger arguments that they meet this standard than other businesses (i.e., remote businesses, low-risk office jobs, etc.). Even if you satisfy this standard, you must make reasonable accommodations for disabilities and sincerely held religious beliefs.

There are other non-legal considerations in deciding if you are going to require



vaccinations. Consider employee morale: Forcing employees to choose between a vaccine and their job could undermine your relationship with your employees, with the added risk of employees claiming those mandatory vaccines disparately impact them.

Other aspects to consider when deciding if you'll require employees to get the vaccine are: discipline and enforcement; possible accommodation requests; cost (if you require vaccinations, you may need to provide onsite vaccination services for free); the administrative burden of scheduling vaccinations and recordkeeping requirements (including ADA and HIPAA compliance); and how your company will handle the possible side effects of the vaccine (will you allow employees to take paid time off to recover from vaccine-related symptoms?).

## 7. What can I do to encourage my employees to get vaccinated?

Employers can encourage employees to get vaccinated by disseminating positive communications and preparing education plans designed to address employee concerns. You should frame the company's decision as a step toward ensuring the health and safety of employees and their families.

Some employers are also offering "vaccine incentives," such as small cash bonuses and paid time off to employees to get vaccinated when they're eligible. For example, some employers are providing two to four hours of PTO to employees scheduled to get the vaccine. However, this is still a legal "gray area" as there is no clear guidance from state and federal agencies on appropriate incentives. Particularly, issues may arise if the employer does not provide the same benefit to employees who cannot get the vaccine due to a disability/medical condition or sincerely held religious beliefs. ■

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# New Members

May  
2021

## AMR ABDELAZIZ, DDS

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Dr. Abdelaziz earned his dental degree in 2021 from International School of Dentistry. His office location is currently pending.

## IMAD MUGATASH, DDS

### General Practice

Dr. Mugatash earned his dental degree in 2018 from University of Colorado. He currently practices at Children's Choice in Roseville.

## POOJA MEHTA, DDS

*Transfer from San Francisco Dental Society*

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1,320

TOTAL RETIRED  
MEMBERS: 319

TOTAL DUAL  
MEMBERS: 7

TOTAL AFFILIATE  
MEMBERS: 11

TOTAL STUDENT  
MEMBERS: 10

TOTAL CURRENT  
APPLICANTS: 3

TOTAL DHP  
MEMBERS: 43

TOTAL NEW  
MEMBERS FOR 2021: 21

**Michael Boyce, DDS (1)** on the birth of his new granddaughter! Welcome Maira to the world! Dr. Boyce is loving being a grandpa!

**David W. Chambers, EdM, MBA, PhD** for his praise of our publication, *the Nugget*! Dr. Chambers is involved with the University of the Pacific School Arthur A. Dugoni of Dentistry; Director, Clinical Judgment Laboratory; Editor Emeritus, American College of Dentists; Executive Director, American Association of Dental Editors and Journalists; so his praise means a lot. SDDS sent copies of *the Nugget* along to Dr. Chambers for him to peruse and he emailed Cathy back with glowing praise. He stated, "Your mission to be a service to dentists as small business owners in a local community and to the range of small businesses such as lawyers, consultants, building contractors, bankers, regulators, and insurance companies virtually POPs off of every page." He also said, "I would not be surprised to learn that Cathy Levering knows most of the dentists around Sacramento and the small business that serve their needs on a first-name basis." Thank you so much Dr. Chambers for the praise on our publication! It is great to hear how much the mission of SDDS can be felt through the pages!

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Roseville/Rocklin family oriented practice for sale. Consistently delivers standard of care to motivated patient base. Averages 7 patients/day and 10-15 new patients a month. \$240,000. Contact [alignedteeth@gmail.com](mailto:alignedteeth@gmail.com). 3/21

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EQUIPMENT FOR SALE: Implant Surgical Motor – ATR3000, Sybron Endo Handpiece, GT Obturator, Root-2X. Serious inquiries only. Contact: (213) 842-1284 04/21

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## FOR LEASE

Leasehold improvements and equipment. NEW LISTING: Carmichael, CA. Park Professional Center. High quality, built-out, 3 exam room suite. Current dentist is relocating to a larger suite. Reasonable rent. (510) 332-8442. 4/21

Fully built out dental offices: 2821 Eastern/7275 E Southgate, Sacramento; 125 Ascot, Roseville. Retail for lease: 7509 Twin Oaks, Citrus Heights/362 N.Walton, Yuba City; Ranga Pathak 916-201-9247, Broker Associate, RE/MAX Gold, DRE01364897. 4/21

El Dorado Hills Professional building with 2 operatories fully equipped and 3rd plumbed. 1736 sq feet, modern furnished, panorex room, private office with Bathroom plus employee lounge. Utilities and janitorial included except phone and internet. Generous TI allowance also included. Total price \$3590 per month with 5 year lease and two 5 year options. Call Dr. Amar at (916) 230-5195 and leave a message for appointment. 3/21

Pocket area of Sacramento. 1550 square feet for rent. Four operatories and ready for occupancy. Full price \$2,750 per month full service lease. Call 916-421-3821. 2/21

Greenhaven Dental Office For Lease. Professional Dental Building 930 Florin Road Ste 100. 1,396 S.F. \$1.85 PSF Plus Utilities. Contact agent 916-443-1500 CA DRE Lic. #01413910 11/20

SACRAMENTO DENTAL COMPLEX has one 3 unit suite which is equipped for immediate occupancy. Two other suites total 1630 sq. ft which can be remodeled to your personal office design with generous tenant improvements. 2525 K Street. Please call for details: 916-448-5702. 10/11

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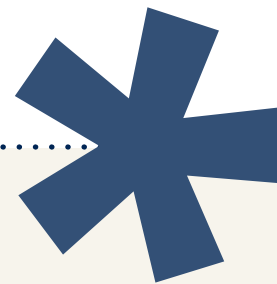
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# SDDS CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## MAY

- 6** Big Day of Giving  
Benefits the SDDS Foundation  
[www.bigdayofgiving.org/sddf](http://www.bigdayofgiving.org/sddf)
- 7** Swing For Smiles Golf Tournament  
Benefits the SDDS Foundation  
Empire Ranch Golf Course
- 11** General Membership Meeting  
Numb, Numb-er, and Numb-est:  
The Latest Anesthesia Pearls  
*Alan Budenz, DDS*  
6–8pm / Zoom Meeting
- 13** Continuing Education Course  
How to Start Your First Full-Arch  
Implant Case – Overdentures,  
AllonX, and More!  
*Michael Scherer, DMD, MS, FACP*  
*Sponsored by ZEST Dental Solutions*  
6:30–8:30pm / Zoom Meeting
- 18** Board Meeting  
6pm / SDDS Office
- 21** Licensure Renewal  
California Dental Practice  
Act, Infection Control,  
and OSHA Refresher  
*Nancy Dewhirst, RDH*  
8:30am–3:00pm / Zoom Meeting

For more calendar info and to sign up for  
courses online, visit: [www.sdds.org](http://www.sdds.org)

- 26** HR Webinar  
The Power of Trust and Influence  
*California Employers Association*  
12:00–1:00pm / Zoom Meeting

## JUNE

- 3** Webinar  
Harassment Prevention for Supervisors  
*California Employers Association*  
9:30–11:30am / Telecom
- 3** Webinar  
Harassment Prevention for Employees  
*California Employers Association*  
12:00–1:00pm / Telecom
- 11** Shred Day!  
Benefits the SDDS Foundation  
10:00am–2:00pm / SDDS Parking lot



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The Latest Anesthesia Pearls**

Presented by Alan Budenz, DDS

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This course is being offered as a Zoom meeting only. To register, please go to [www.sdds.org/events/gm-may2021/](http://www.sdds.org/events/gm-may2021/)

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**TUESDAY  
6PM–8PM**

**ARE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE GENERAL MEETING?**