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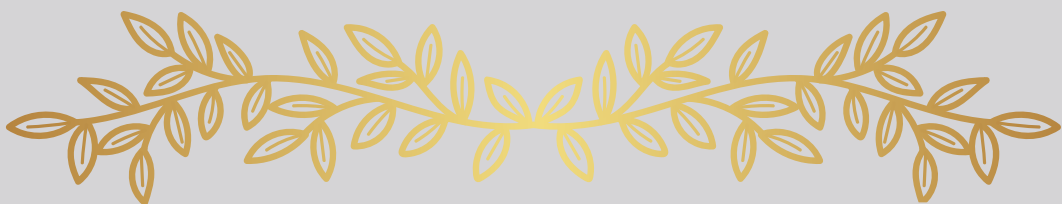
LEADERSHIP LETTER

2024 SPRING EDITION

TDHA IS AN ORGANIZATION OF LICENSED DENTAL HYGIENISTS WHOSE MAIN PURPOSE IS TO SERVE THE CITIZENS OF TEXAS WITH QUALITY DENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. THE FOCUS IS PRIMARILY ON PREVENTION OF ORAL DISEASE AND THE MAINTENANCE OF GOOD ORAL HEALTH.



2024-2025 TDHA Board



Make sure and donate to the Sunshine fund by using the QR code. This allows our association to take care of our members / board members on some of the most important days of their lives.

From the President

SHAWNA GREER

It has been BUSY since the TDHA Annual Conference! From TSBDE meetings to Dental Hygiene Graduations and Student Nights to in-person Board of Directors meeting and many zoom calls.

At the board meeting we discussed the Strategic Plan which helps us when planning our budget for the next year. The main takeaways from this were Membership and Communication. Membership has been a constant struggle for many of us. I see you adapting and changing the way you have done things in the past and I APPLAUD YOU! Stay positive and keep showing up. You may not see an instant return on the investment of time and funds, but I know your presence is seen. Communication comes in all forms. How are you communicating with your members and nonmembers alike? Currently, you cannot only rely on emails. You must step out of the box and try other forms. Social media, website, and good old word of mouth.

If you are struggling with these topics, reach out and I would be glad to sit down and brainstorm with you.

Welcome to the new component leaders! Thank you for stepping up and volunteering your time! Remember, if you ever feel like you need help, reach out. There are plenty of people that have your back.

To the “seasoned” component leaders, I SEE YOU! Thank you for your continuous dedication to this association. To put it simply, you are priceless.

Hope everyone has a great summer and if you are going to ADHA Annual Conference in NOLA, let us know! We like to try and meet up with everyone.

The next in-person board meeting will be held in Temple-Belton 6/22-23. You are invited to attend! Reach out to your trustee or me for more information.



Shawna Greer, RDH, BSDH, MAADH, FADHA
TDHA President



Scan the QR codes to see a video update on what I have been up to as TDHA President





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Legislative

SANDY TESCH

LOCAL ANESTHESIA *Rules are Adopted!!*

The Governmental Affairs Council has been monitoring two Rules that were currently up for adoption in the Texas Register. Below are the actions taken by the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners (TSBDE) last month:

Rule 115.10 (Administration of Local Infiltration Anesthesia) published in the Texas Register on March 22, 2024, has been adopted by The Texas State Board of Dental Examiners (TSBDE). As a registered dental hygienist (RDH) you must be certified by the state of Texas to administer local infiltration anesthesia before performing this procedure. Although local infiltration anesthesia rules have been established, a RDH will not be able to apply for certification until after September 1, 2024, due to licensure third party company restrictions.

The new Texas law allows dental hygienists by delegation and under direct supervision of a dentist to administer infiltration anesthetic (LA) to patients 18 years or older that are not sedated except by nitrous oxide inhalation. Specific educational and certification requirement include:

- An applicant must be a dental hygienist with an active, unencumbered Texas license and/or a dental hygiene student enrolled in a Texas CODA dental hygiene course of study;
- Successful completion of 32-hours of TSBDE-approved didactic and clinical education through a CODA-accredited educational institution;
- Pass a TSBDE-approved certification examination relating to the administration of local infiltration anesthesia;
- Hold a current course completion card from the American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers.

If you are from out of state and currently have LA certification:

- You must have taken substantially equivalent requirements of didactic and clinical education requirements and must have been employed as a RDH three of the past five years. (This does not mean that you did LA injections during this period).
- Completed a CODA-accredited dental hygiene program that fulfills the educational requirements as stated in the Texas LA rules.
- Authorized to administer local anesthesia by a branch of the United States armed forces during the preceding year of initial application. Applicant will need to show TSBDE written documentation of education and training.

If you are an educator:

- The didactic portion of the LA course must be no less than 20 hours and the clinical portion no less than 12 hours.
- The educational institution must be accredited by CODA. The didactic curriculum must be overseen by a Texas Licensed Dentist who is a member of the CODA-accredited institution and who has experience teaching the administration of local infiltration anesthesia. This does not mean the Texas licensed dentist will be teaching the didactic class.

The didactic portion must include coursework in (but are not limited to):

- physiology and neurophysiology;
- head, neck, and oral anatomy;
- adult respiratory and circulatory physiology and related anatomy;
- emergency procedures;
- recognition and management of local complications associated with local anesthetic injections;
- recognition and management of systemic local anesthetic toxicity related to the administration of local anesthetics;
- medical history and evaluation procedures;
- considerations for medically complex patients;
- behavior context and dental patient management;
- definitions and descriptions of physiological and psychological aspects of anxiety and pain;
- pharmacology of agents used in local anesthetics and vasoconstrictors, including drug interactions and incompatibilities;
- indications and contraindications for use of local anesthetic and vasoconstrictors;
- recommended dosages of local anesthetic and vasoconstrictors;
- patient monitoring through observation, with particular attention to vital signs and reflexes related to consciousness;
- selection and preparation of the armamentaria and record keeping for administering local anesthetic agents via infiltration;
- safety and infection control procedures with regard to local infiltration anesthetic techniques and proper disposal of sharps; and
- post-operative care and instructions to patients.

The clinical portion must include 12 hours of instruction relating to the administration of local infiltration in the practice of dental hygiene. A student must pass the clinical competency exam for performing local infiltration anesthesia. Such instruction must include:

- selection and preparation of the armamentaria for administering local anesthetic agents;
- demonstration of proper infection control techniques regarding local anesthetic agents and proper disposal of sharps;
- demonstration of proper evaluation of the patient's health status, taking and assessing vital signs and monitoring the patient's physical status while under the effects of local anesthetic;
- demonstration of the proper techniques for the administration of local infiltration anesthesia on a live patient or hands-on simulation: including basic technique; aspiration, slow rate of injection, and minimum effective dosage; and
- clinical experience demonstrating the successful use of local infiltration anesthesia on a minimum of 5 live patient experiences (this does not mean 5 different patients you can do multiple quads on one patient) appropriate for dental hygiene treatment. At a minimum, each student must demonstrate clinical competency in 4 different quadrants that includes at least 3 teeth. A hands-on simulation competency component must be demonstrated prior to treating the live patients. The live patient or hands-on simulation clinical experiences required must be performed under the direct supervision of a Texas-licensed dentist associated with the course.

If you are a Texas RDH obtaining initial local infiltration anesthesia certification:

- You must complete 32 hours (20 hours of didactic and 12 hours of clinical instruction) through a CODA-accredited educational institution.
- Pass a TSBDE-approved certification examination relating to the administration of local infiltration anesthesia with a minimum passing score of 75%.
- Complete an application form approved by TSBDE and pay an application fee set by Board rule.
- Submit proof to TSBDE of the successful completion of a current course in Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers.

Once a hygienist is certified to administer local infiltration anesthesia:

- Informed consent must be obtained prior to anesthesia.
- You must have no less than two (2) extra hours of continuing education every two years in the administration of or medical emergencies associated with local anesthesia. These hours are in addition to the 24-biannual hours required.
- You must report any hospitalizations or deaths related to the administration of local infiltration anesthesia to TSBDE.

·If you are a Dental Hygiene Student?

- You must be enrolled in a TX CODA-accredited dental hygiene program;
- Must have completed 32-hours of formal education taught through CODA-accredited institution by faculty members who hold a current Texas dental license or a Texas local anesthetic certificate.

Rule Reference: 22 Texas Admin Code §115.10, Administration of Local Infiltration Anesthesia
(Adopted-May 3, 2024).

Coronal Polishing Rule

Rule 22 Texas Admin Code 114.5, Coronal Polishing, was published in the March 22, 2024 issue of the Texas Register. The recommendation was to change the Rule to allow all dental assistants to coronal polish after 1 year of clinical experience prior to taking the required CODA-accredited coronal polishing certification course. The former Rule required dental assistants to have 2 years of clinical experience prior to taking the certification exam. TDHA opposed this change because we felt that reducing educational standards for dental assistants was not safe for the public. Unfortunately, TSBDE members voted in support of the Rule change. (therefore- the new Rule will now require only one year).

Rule Reference: 22 Texas Admin Code §114.5, Coronal Polishing by Dental Assistants. (Adopted- May 3, 2024).

I want to give a special thanks and recognition to Cathy Nobles and Deanna Ott Whitfield who both graciously again block walked for Representative Stephanie Klick's re-election campaign. Please get out and vote and keep your fingers crossed that Stephanie prevails. Election day is May 28th. Any questions – please reach out to Sandy Tesch as Legislative Director

(sandytrdh@gmail.com)

Thanks,
Sandy & Cathy



Block Walk

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Deanna, Rep Klick and Cathy



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HYPAC FUNDRAISER

Texas HYPAC is TDHA's Political Action Committee. It raises money to support legislative activities and allows TDHA to make financial contributions to legislators. HYPAC represents the professional interests of all hygienists in Texas.

This year, in preparation for Annual Conference, we are offering this "trendy" shirt as a fundraiser! Show your support for all the YEARS of hard work that went in to accomplishing this upgrade in the scope of practice for the hygienists of Texas.



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Attending TDHA Annual Conference in San Marcos? Pick your shirt up with your registration packet.

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KAYLA GOLDEN

FIRST of all, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL OF YOUR DONATIONS FOR THE ADHA INSTITUTE FOR ORAL HEALTH FOUNDATION. You all are so generous & I'm so thankful to represent you at ADHA. There are so many ways to participate with IOH: monthly I-O-Happy hours, Mighty Cause, or the HEKA Wellness Challenge.

BYO Pet Treat Making Class

Sunday, June 23 • 4pm-5pm CT



**Pup Pet Treat Making Workshop
Sunday, June 23 | 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm CT**

Spoil those canines! (The ones that bark...) Bake up and decorate some homemade pup-licious doggie treats with a baking expert. Learn about ingredients and foods that are safe for pets. While your treats are in the oven, show off your canine cuties and meet the other pets!

**The last I-O-Happy Hour Series will be
Sunday, June 23rd. The price has
dropped to \$20 to register.**

Component Goals: As of 5-19-24

CONGRATULATIONS TO BRAZOS VALLEY & RIO GRANDE FOR REACHING THEIR COMPONENT GOAL FOR 2024-2025!!

Please NOTE: your reoccurring monthly donations will expire June 30, 2024. When a new Mighty Cause is created for 2024-2025 a new QR code will be sent out



GOALS 2024-2025	
AUSTIN	\$210 / 1,148.00
BAY AREA	\$195 / 617.00
BRAZOS VALLEY	\$375 / 155.00
CENTRAL TEXAS	\$245 / 377.00
CONCHO	\$125 / 172.00
CORPUS CHRISTI	\$205 / 531.00
DALLAS	\$1,297.82 / 1,952.00
EAST TEXAS	\$220 / 480.00
EL PASO	0 / 223.00
FT. WORTH	\$210 / 1,188.00
GREATER COLLIN	\$504 / 1,199.00
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SAN ANTONIO	\$200 / 1,353.00

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Kayla Golden.... Continued

**Guess what!! the HEKA WELLNESS CHALLENGE is BACK!
Even if you are not attending ADHA 2024 in New Orleans, you
can still join our challenge & participate from your home!
When you register, choose Texas 2-Steppers as your team!
Information on registration is below!**



IOH FOUNDATION ANNUAL WELLNESS CHALLENGE

**Ready to "step" into action with the IOH Foundation? We're excited to
announce the launch of the 2024 Wellness Challenge, set to take place
during this year's Annual Conference.**

**Participating in our Wellness Challenge has never been easier, and we've
made sure anyone can participate in this year's competition. Whether you're
an individual or a member of a team, an attendee of this year's conference or
a stay-at-home participant, our digital platform ensures that all are welcome
to participate in this wellness-focused initiative and fundraiser. Points will
be awarded based on steps, but the platform also contains a steps converter
to allow participants to capture credits for a wide variety of activities.**

**2024 Wellness Challenge dates/times: Friday, July 26 (12:01am CT)-Sunday,
July 28 (11:59pm CT)
Registration cost: \$20/person**

Membership

LAYLA CHRISTENSEN

Attention TDHA Leaders - Welcome these new graduates to your components
Note this is not a complete list of all the graduates for this year. The names appear on the "Graduate" report based on what students entered as their graduation date. Look for an updated list in the TDHA Times:



Class of 2024!



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2024*

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Regina Kruse

Tonya Bloedorn

Lauri Collin

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Brandon Tong

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Tasha Bates

Alyssa Lumbreras

Alise Plemmons

Tyra Rodas

Rebecca Wolfe

Leea Earnhardt

Tiffany Reed

Daniel Almaguer

Tori Pollak

Ashly Murphy

Elya Parks

Julaine Hensley

Ashley Ball

Kisha Moss

Dan Draper

Vianey Portillo

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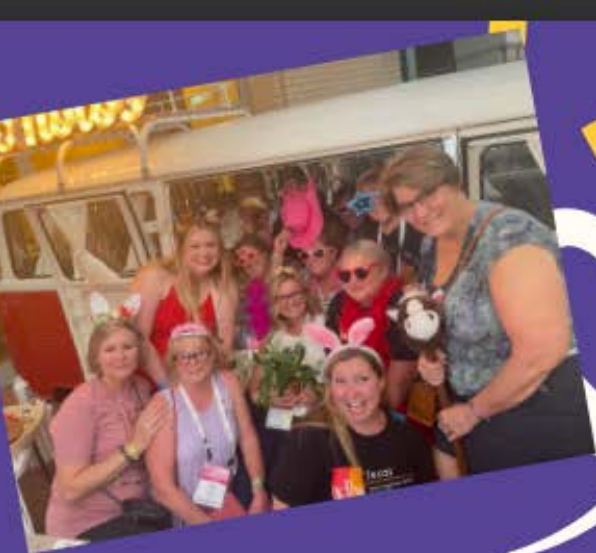
Jacqueline Guerrero Ramirez

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JOIN US IN NOLA!

TEXAS LEADERS - ADHA24 State Registration Competition

Let's get competitive!

Hey there, y'all! Get ready to jazz it up with some Crescent City charm! The State Registration Competition have kicked off! It's a showdown like no other as each state gears up to strut their stuff and rack up those registrations for the ADHA24 Annual Conference.

Picture this: the thrill of the chase, the buzz of the competition, all set against the backdrop of New Orleans' vibrant culture! And here's the cherry on top: the state with the sassiest, spunkiest crew, boasting the highest percentage of registered members, will score not just one or two, but a whopping FIVE passes to ADHA25 on the sunny shores of Long Beach, CA! The state competition deadline is Friday, July 12.

So, let's make some noise and rally your state squad! Get ready to let the good times roll and show 'em how we do it NOLA style!



Brazos Valley COMPONENT

Around the Brazos Valley:

Brazos Valley DHA along with Blinn College Dental Hygiene and local dental professionals visited and CSISD Headstart on Friday, April 26, 2024. Screenings and fluoride varnish was applied 463 students.



From left to right Layla Christensen, Theresa Bauman, Francia Sotelo and Ann Duque Jaimes.



COLLEGE STATION ISD FLUORIDE VARNISH DAY
VOLUNTEERS!

Mrs. Mendoza class at Southwood Valley Elementary

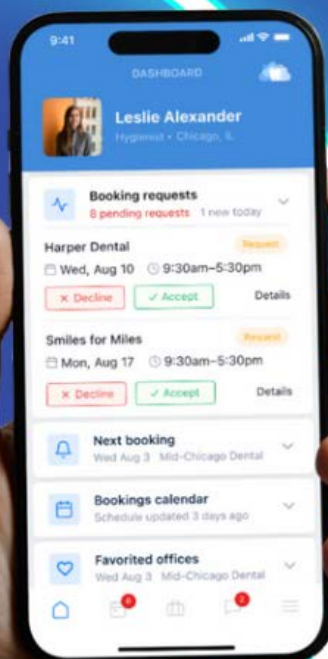


Isabel Aguilar, Jessenia Benavides, Anna Benitez, Maisie Bobkovas, Lauren Bowers, Alyssa Burns, Megan Krause, Libby Gerik, Kara Gordon, Madalene Lowe, Hailey Neckar, Maricela Rodriguez, Lauren Stafford, Martha Wilkins



The Blinn College Dental Hygiene Class of 2024 celebrated their pinning ceremony on Saturday, May 4, 2024.

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GHDHA HAD A CE, HANDS ON SCANNING EVENT SPONSORED BY DENTSPLY SIRONA ON APRIL 30, 2024. IT WAS A FUN EVENT TO MEET NEW PEOPLE AND HAVE OUR TRY AT SCANNING A TYPODONT.

Speakers were Lyle Ennis, Chris Brandt, Kelly Mitchell with Sure Smiles.

Stephanie Bass , Victoria Whitman, and Tanya Dental with Patterson Dental

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Alison Lee

Kassandra Bowie

Cindy Harmon

Chelsi Graham

Destinni Zimmerman

Amy Frederiksen

Breezy Bonney

LeeAnn Winkler

Dawn Buju (alternate)



Our 2024-2025 secretary and first-time delegate, Jessica Smith, RDA, RDH, MSDH, will be presenting her thesis abstract at ADHA Annual Conference this summer. Her abstract, The Experience of Black and African American Dental Hygiene Students in the Journey into the Hygiene Profession, was selected for the 2024 ADHA Research Poster Session to be held on Thursday, July 26.

Central Texas COMPONENT

THE CENTRAL TEXAS DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION HOSTED THE TEMPLE COLLEGE STUDENTS AND FACULTY ON APRIL 30TH. TDHA PRESIDENT, SHAWNA GREER WAS OUR SPECIAL GUEST. THE COMPONENT GIFTED THE GRADUATION TEMPLE COLLEGE CLASS OF 2024 THEIR DENTAL HYGIENE PINS. CTDHA PRESIDENT, DEBRA SUMMERFORD REPRESENTED THE COMPONENT AT THE TEMPLE COLLEGE PINNING CEREMONY ON MAY 10TH.



SAVE THE DATE FOR TDHA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Thanks to all those that helped make our 2024 TDHA annual conference a huge success! We were able to provide top notch speakers, networking events and parties that were great fun for both students and professionals and still get some business taken care of. Our annual conference committee is already working hard to prepare for next year's event. Thanks to those who filled out our event survey, we are trying to make 2025 even better. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Connie Groves, Lynda Bean or Cathy Nobles.

So, grab your friends and save the date for the evening of February 27 th to March 2 nd, 2025.

I HOPE THOSE THAT ATTENDED THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN FEBRUARY ENJOYED IT. THANKS TO ALL THAT MADE THE CONFERENCE SO SUCCESSFUL. IF YOU DID NOT ATTEND, MAYBE YOU CAN MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR FEBRUARY 2025!

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING TO COMPLETE THOSE GOALS, NOW IS THE TIME TO SUBMIT YOUR NAME OR NOMINATE SOMEONE FOR A POSITION ON THE BOD FOR TDHA FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR. NOW THAT I AM IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT ONE OF MY DUTIES IS TO FIND THE RIGHT PEOPLE TO FILL THOSE POSITIONS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE EMAIL ME AT CSQUARED705@MAC.COM. I WILL BE GLAD TO VISIT WITH THOSE INTERESTED AND EXPLAIN WHAT THE DUTIES OF THE POSITION ENTAIL.

THE POSITIONS THAT WILL NEED TO BE FILLED ARE:

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