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# **SPOKANE DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER**

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## **2021/2022 SDDS Officers**

### **President**

Dr. Neill Mears

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Dr. Max Molgard

### **Secretary/Treasurer**

**Open**

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Dr. Elisabeth Warder

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Dr. Sandy Montano  
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Dr. Daniel Fenn  
Dr. Michelle Metcalf

## **SDDS EC ALTERNATES**

Dr. Doug Baasch  
Dr. Michelle Dullanty

## **President's Message**

With the 20-21 year closing, I would like to extend my gratitude to everyone who volunteered their time and energy to serve the dental community and dental society. Despite unprecedented challenges, the dental society was able to remain resilient to the waves of the undulating pandemic, affecting not only the structural stability of the society, but the spiritual, mental, and emotional relationships of the Spokane dental community. We have individuals to thank for this resilience, including Dr. Lissa Warder, our exiting president, and Lindsey Kernkamp, our Executive Director. The dental society is reliant on these altruistic efforts and the interdependence of local Spokane dentists.

As we recover as families, friends, and small businesses, please take the time for self care and ask yourself how the dental society could help you. Please reach out to us with your creative ideas and constructive criticism, so that the dental community can be better connected. We hope to bring back in-person continuing education, set up social events for new and experienced dentists alike, and finally re-introduce the Inland Northwest Dental Conference in 2022.

Please consider how you can help the dental society create a stronger dentist community, including fulfilling the needs of our open Secretary/Treasurer position. More than anything, some time and guidance is appreciated. Contact Lindsey or I with your ideas, constructive criticism, or how you can get further involved. The more we give, the more we get back. Have a healthy, safe, and satisfying summer holiday and let's come back stronger than ever.

Best,

Neill Mears, DDS  
SDDS President, 21-22

# ~ANNOUNCEMENTS~



WSDA House of Delegates will be held September 9-11, 2021 at the Davenport Hotel in Spokane!



CPR class September 23, 2021 from 3-6pm. \$5 plus tax.  
Location – 9911 N. Nevada Spokane, WA 99218 (in the boardroom)  
If interested please email [info@spokanedentalsociety.org](mailto:info@spokanedentalsociety.org)



Increased Adult Dental Medicaid Provider Rates effective July 1, 2021 and the Washington State Health Care Authority may increase fee-for-service rates up to 100 percent above the rates in effect January 1, 2019. WSDA will continue to update us as details become available.



(PNDC) Pacific Northwest Dental Conference  
November 11-13, 2021 in Seattle!  
Registration and pricing available here:

<https://www.wda.org/continuing-education/pacific-northwest-dental-conference/registration-info>

## **Communication toolkits provided by SmileSpokane**

### **Provider Fluoride Toolkit**

We could use your help continuing the conversation with patients about the benefits of fluoride. We know patients trust their dentists to provide credible information about their health. Our partner, Smile Spokane, developed a toolkit they will mail you to help you have conversations with patients. It contains a poster, a conversation guide, rack cards, and stickers that will help educate patients about the role of fluoride in protecting their teeth against decay. You can preview the toolkit <https://getthefactsrx.com/provider-toolkit>. If you are interested, please fill out the form and let us know how many toolkits. [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd8T3iOPhrqT6qjBphiJ9QwAG4nx1WYzuyZ4LFR5gL-L\\_Z65w/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd8T3iOPhrqT6qjBphiJ9QwAG4nx1WYzuyZ4LFR5gL-L_Z65w/viewform)

### **Provider Opioid Misuse Prevention Toolkit**

Washington State Health Care Authority has a toolkit to help dental providers share information about opioid misuse prevention. The toolkit includes posters, rack cards, stickers, social media content, newsletter content, and tips for talking to patients.  
<http://www.betterhealthtogether.org/smile-spokane-for-partners>

## **SDDS Roster**

**We are updating the roster and plan to have it done in 2021.**

**Please email**

**info@spokanedentalsociety.org an updated headshot and any information that you don't want included in the roster.**

Thank you to Washington Dentists Insurance Agency for your sponsorship!

**We need a  
Secretary / Treasurer  
for SDDS!**

**Even if you can only commit until May 2022!**

### **JOB BOARD**

Are you looking to hire? Are you looking for a position? SDDS has a job board on the web site:

**www.spokanedentalsociety.org**

Interested in posting an ad? Email your ad to:  
info@spokanedentalsociety.org

This service is FREE for members and their staff!

### **NEW SDDS MEMBERS**

**Dr. Nicholas Hrabik (General)**

**Dr. Andrea Pizzini (Periodontics)**

**Dr. Andrew Reichert (General)**

**As a membership benefit, SDDS offers 4 group medical plan options through Kaiser with competitive rates.**

**Please contact Alliant with any questions regarding plan offerings, rates, networks and/or enrollment.  
Contact:**

- **Joe Roberts: [joe.roberts@alliant.com](mailto:joe.roberts@alliant.com) (509)499-8815**
- **Tara MacKay: [tara.mackay@alliant.com](mailto:tara.mackay@alliant.com) (509)343-9540**

## CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

### **When does my three-year reporting period start?**

The three-year continuing education reporting period for a dentist licensed in Washington before 2019 began January 1, 2019. Verification of completion of continuing education hours will be due on the dentist's annual license renewal date in 2022, and every three years thereafter.

The three-year continuing education reporting period for a dentist initially licensed in Washington in 2019 or later begins upon date of licensure and every three years thereafter.

The commission has determined it will accept appropriate continuing education completed during the old reporting period of 2018-2019. To clarify, appropriate continuing education completed after a dentist's birthdate in 2018 through December 31, 2018, may be counted for the new three-year reporting period that ends in 2022.

### **When do I need to take the dental jurisprudence exam?**

The dental jurisprudence exam must be taken once every three-year reporting cycle.

The exam is a free, open-book examination online. You will receive one hour of continuing education for this activity.

If you completed the exam after your birthdate in 2018 through December 31, 2018, it may be counted for the new three year reporting period that ends in 2022.

For more information, visit Washington State Department of Health's dentist continuing education website:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/Dentist/ContinuingEducation>

<b>Credential Type</b>	<b>Annually</b>	<b>Every three years</b>	<b>Every five years</b>	<b>One-time only</b>
Dentist license		63 hours		
Minimal sedation by inhalation (nitrous)			7 hours	
Minimal sedation			7 hours	
Moderate sedation permit			7 hours	
Moderate sedation with parenteral agents permit		18 hours		
General anesthesia permit		18 hours		
Dentist suicide prevention education				3 hours
Dentist opioid prescribing education				3 hours
Healthcare provider basic life support (BLS)	Current certification required			

**Spokane District Dental Society  
General Membership Meeting  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

CenterPlace Regional Event Center  
Program Starts at 6:00pm (doors open at 5:30pm)

**“Creating Freedom and Impact: The 5 Pillars to building a Team Drive,  
Patient-Centered Dental Practice or Group. “**

Presented by: Dr. Josh Cochran

This course will empower you to create the practice you envision: a highly effective team, exceptional patient experience, quality of care, time and financial freedom.

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**Upcoming Meetings for 2021**

November 9, 2021

CE Program: **Odontogenic Sinusitis**

Presented by: Dr. David Stoddard and Dr. Rod Tataryn

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Return form to: 509-838-5040 (fax) or [info@spokanedentalsociety.org](mailto:info@spokanedentalsociety.org)

YES, I will attend September 14 \_\_\_\_\_ November 9 \_\_\_\_\_

Ordering dinner? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner (beer/wine ticket included): \$30

Visa/Mastercard/AMEX \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*Checks can be made to SDDS and mailed to: 23403 E Mission Ave #104, Liberty Lake, WA 99019

\*Payments with a credit card can also be taken by phone, 509-838-0436

## **CDC updates guidance for fully vaccinated individuals**

### **(fully vaccinated health care personnel)**

- Personnel with higher –risk exposures who are asymptomatic do not need to be restricted from work for 14 days following their exposure.
- Personnel who have traveled should continue to follow CDC travel recommendations and requirements, including restriction from work, when recommended for any traveler.
- Personnel with symptoms of COVID-19, regardless of their vaccination status, should receive a viral test immediately.
- Asymptomatic personnel with a higher-risk exposure, regardless of their vaccination status, should have a series of two viral tests for SARS-coV-2 infection. Testing is recommended immediately and five to seven days after exposure. People with SARS-coV2 infection in the last 90 days do not need to be tested if they remain asymptomatic, even if they have a known contact.
- Recommendations for use of personal protective equipment by health care personnel remain unchanged.
- Fully vaccinated individuals can be excluded from expanded screening testing preformed by health care facilities for asymptomatic personnel who do not have a known exposure.

### **(fully vaccinated individuals outside health care settings)**

- **Visit with other fully vaccinated people indoors without wearing masks or physical distancing.**
- **Visit with unvaccinated people from a single household, including children, who are at low risk for severe COVID-19 without wearing masks or physical distancing while indoors.**
- **Participate in outdoor activities and recreation without a mask, except in certain crowded settings and venues.**
- **Resume domestic travel and refrain from testing before or after travel or self– quarantining after travel.**
- **Refrain from testing before leaving the U.S. for international travel (unless required by the destination) and refrain from self quarantine after arriving back to the U.S.**
- **Refrain from testing following a known exposure if asymptomatic, with some exceptions for specific settings.**
- **Refrain from quarantine following a known exposure if asymptomatic.**
- **Refrain from routine screening, testing if asymptomatic and feasible.**
- **Continue to wear well-fitted masks when visiting indoors with unvaccinated people who are at high risk for severe COVID-19 or have an unvaccinated household member who is at increased risk for severe COVID-19.**
- **Wear well-fitted masks when visiting indoors with unvaccinated people from multiple households.**
- **Avoid indoor, large-sized, in-person gatherings.**
- **Follow guidance issued by individual employers.**
- **Follow CDC and health department travel requirements and recommendations.**

## CLASSIFIEDS

### \* Hiring Orthodontist

Doctor-owned group of 11 physicians  
We are looking for a business minded, growth  
Focused partner to help build our full-service,  
Comprehensive dental group.  
Email: [Careers@drcfamilydentistry.com](mailto:Careers@drcfamilydentistry.com) to  
learn more.

### \* Hiring General Dentist

Are you an Entrepreneur? Do you want to  
build a Dream Practice?  
Do you want to do it with a group of like  
minded, fast growing supportive  
dentists who already have? Come join us!  
Email: [Careers@drcfamilydentistry.com](mailto:Careers@drcfamilydentistry.com)

### \* Part Time Dentist Wanted for Fridays

Grins & Giggles Family Dentistry  
Email: [info@dentalgrinsandgiggles.com](mailto:info@dentalgrinsandgiggles.com)  
509-928-4746

### \* Dental Hygiene Scheduler-Receptionist

Primary responsibility includes keeping hy-  
giene schedule full.  
We are looking for someone who thrives in a  
fast –paced environment. Reception/Front  
Desk experience preferred. Full-time posi-  
tion, Mon-Thurs. Wage depends on experi-  
ence.  
Email resume to [jkgregelin@yahoo.com](mailto:jkgregelin@yahoo.com).

### \* Do you want to be the reason someone smiles?

Heritage Health Coeur d' Alene, ID is looking  
for full time Dental Assistants to join our  
team! Contact: Marisa Blair 208-292-0285  
[mblair@myheritagehealth.org](mailto:mblair@myheritagehealth.org)

### \* Spokane Perio Practice For Sale

Annual collections over \$300,000. 5 fully  
equipped operatories. 2100 SF office space in  
a building with other healthcare profession-  
als. Well established practice. Contact Buck  
Reasor, DMD at [buck@omni-pg.com](mailto:buck@omni-pg.com)  
503-680-4366

### \* For Sale

2 RGP dental saddle/straddle stools for sale,  
ultra leather seats, hydraulic adjustment, neu-  
tral taupe color. \$300 each OBO  
1 RGP Surgical Chair with backrest, unilateral  
adjustable armrest. Hydraulic adjustments,  
neutral taupe color. \$300 OBO  
Email: [lisa@ellingsenendo.com](mailto:lisa@ellingsenendo.com)

### \* Dental Practice Management, Consulting, Sales and Transitions

Looking for dental practice management,  
consulting, sales and transitions? Julie  
Hawken with The Knutzen-McVay Group is  
local and here to serve your needs.  
Email: [Julie@tkmgllc.com](mailto:Julie@tkmgllc.com)  
206-595-6425

### \* 2 General Practices in Okanogan County For Sale

Collecting \$664,000. 5 and 3 fully equipped  
operatories respectively in each practice.  
Computerized ops w/ digital x-rays. For more  
information please contact: Karrie or Sam  
425-216-1612 or [Transitions@cpa4dds.com](mailto:Transitions@cpa4dds.com)

### \* RDH needed for North Spokane Office

Small close-knit office looking for hygienist 1-  
2 days a week. We are open M-W and every  
other Thursday. Please email resume in-  
[fo@smilesbydrashley.com](mailto:fo@smilesbydrashley.com) or call Sarah at  
509-468-3233 to set up an interview.

## EWU Dental Position

Are you a dentist who is passionate about teaching and making a difference in the community?

If so, come work with the best! Eastern Washington University is currently seeking a Washington state licensed dentist to work with our Dental Hygiene Students in the Dental Hygiene program located in downtown Spokane. These students are some of the best, so your expertise is needed.

About our Clinic: Our clinic is an important resource for Greater Spokane community. Our 46 chair state of the art clinic, located on the EWU Spokane campus provides an important learning experience while providing clinic services to a large population, approximately 80% Medicaid. The clinic operates Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Our students provide radiographs, dental hygiene therapies, pain control with local anesthesia and nitrous oxide/oxygen sedation as well as simple restorative procedures (not more than 4 surfaces).

About our Students: The program is a 2 year semester based program where students earn a Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene. They continually pass their clinical and national boards at a 100% pass rate. Our program produces some of the best oral health care providers in the dental field who are sought after for employment across the state as well as throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Clinical Dentist Credentials and Responsibilities:

Must be licensed to practice dentistry in Washington State and be current in CPR and vaccinations.

Desired qualifications: a willingness to have an impact on student success and to learn new teaching methodology at the same time. Technology savviness is helpful. Flexible schedule is desired.

If you sound like a fit for our clinic, please contact Emilie Crawford, Operations Manager at 509.828.1289 or [ecrawford@ewu.edu](mailto:ecrawford@ewu.edu). Please attach a current resume or Curriculum Vitae. We ask all new employees to come in and observe our students in action prior to starting.

We currently have a need for Fridays and fill in. We look forward to meeting you!