

The GRAPEVINE

2025 3rd Quarter

**Dr. Blake Scott shares
A Career Well Lived: Dentistry
and the Search for Meaning**

A publication of The Fresno Madera Dental Society

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Hello there, thank you for being a valued member of the Fresno Madera Dental Society and for taking the time to read our journal. As you flip through the following pages, we hope you find articles that enhance your practice, are informative and enjoyable to read.

Your feedback and contributions are always welcome and encouraged. Whether it's a suggestion for a future article, a piece of news you'd like to share, or simply a story about a memorable moment in your practice, we would love to hear from you. Our journal is a reflection of our collective experiences and expertise, and your voice is an essential part of that.

Thank you once again for your continued support and for being such an integral part of our profession. Together, we are shaping the future of dental care in our community.



Cheers,
Michelle Galeon, Editor

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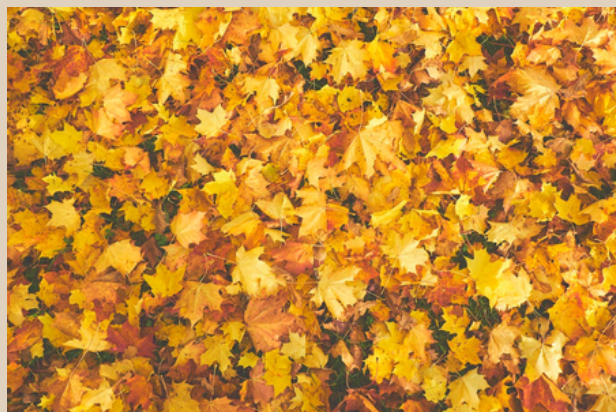
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Welcome New Members

May 2025-September 2025

The following dentists have completed the necessary requirements, paid current dues and have been accepted as Regular Active Members:

Muhammad Abdullah DDS

Universidad De La Salle, 2025

Gurwinder Kaur DMD

Missouri School of Dentistry, 2025

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Northstate University, 2025

Maria Prado Santana de Carvalho DDS

Loma Linda University, 2025

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Midwestern University, 2025

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International, 2024

Eddie Tapia DDS

University of the Pacific, 2021

Dikran Diarian DMD

Northstate University, 2025

Lillian-Frances Torres DDS

UCLA School of Dentistry, 2025

Todd Griffiths DDS

UCLA School of Dentistry 2021

Caitlin Ye DDS

UCSF School of Dentistry, 2025

Jennifer Jacobsen DDS

Touro College of Dental Medicine, 2020

Yidan Zhang DDS

Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry, 2025

Welcome Back!

Katina Alfieris, DDS

Todd Arndt, DDS

Manbir Gill, DDS

Alan Harlan, DDS

Madeline Miller, DDS

Evan Nahigian, DDS

Tuan Nguyen, DDS

We encourage FMDS members to reach out and welcome our new members if they have not done so already. We are excited and happy to have them join us!

Membership Updates

**The following dentists have transferred to
FMDS as Active Members
May 2025-September 2025:**

Gagandeep Bhullar, DDS

Transferred from Yosemite Dental Society
Universidad De La Salle, 2018

Jade Huynh, DDS

Transferred from San Francisco Dental Society
UOP San Francisco, 2024

Sumi Hwang, DDS

Transferred from San Fernando Valley Dental Society
UOP San Francisco, 2024

John Mann, DDS

Transferred from Redwood Empire Dental Society
UOP San Francisco, 1990

Ashish Shrestha, DDS

Transferred from Los Angeles Dental Society
Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC, 2025

Hajira Naz DDS

Transferred from Tulare Kings Dental Society
UOP San Francisco, 2024

Alekdandar Spajic DDS

Transferred from Los Angeles Dental Society
Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC, 2024

Yidan Zhang DDS

Transferred from Tri County Dental Society
Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC, 2025

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50+ Year Members

Raymond Wicks, 1950
Phillip Sharp, 1952
Jack Ramos, 1954
Arnold Gazarian, 1955
Walter Lorenz, 1954
Leroy Guntner, 1956
William Henry, 1957
William Noblett, 1960
Fred Bown, 1961
Leigh Manoogian, 1962
William Halloran, 1960
Grant Sharp, 1960
Thomas Thompson, 1960
Donald Jacobsen, 1962
Frank Benneyan, 1963
Bernard Karian, 1963
Frank Abe, 1964
Cliffor Jue, 1964
Larry Cross, 1965
Rodney Paloutzian, 1965
Alvin Warkentine, 1965
Walter Hibbard, 1965
Theodore Falk, 1966
William Randall, 1966
John Baird, 1966
Galen Rusk, 1967
John Good, 1968
William Grabe, 1968
Richard Hoyt, 1968
Rod Coburn, 1968

Robert Adams, 1969
Kenneth Doty, 1964
Stephen Griffin, 1965
Philip Corneliuson, 1965
Meredith Mock, 1966
Harold Coulston, 1967
Sloan McCormick, 1968
Thomas Shekoyan, 1969
Jerold Sorensen, 1969
Stanley Surabian, 1969
Kenneth Tsutsui, 1969
Howell Wiggins, 1969
Roger Lambert, 1971
William Asbury, 1971
David Clark, 1971
Dennis Jones, 1972
James Von Volkinburg, 1972
Donald Snyder, 1972
Roger Simonian, 1973
James Brigham, 1974
Don Christensen, 1974
John Feaster, 1974
Andrew Elkins, 1974
Donald Kinosian, 1974
Monte Person, 1974
Dennis Ikuta, 1974
Donald Snyder, 1974
William Clark, 1975
Greg Leisle, 1975
John Oberti, 1975

MEMBER

Spotlight

DR. BLAKE SCOTT

After completing an undergraduate degree from University of California, San Diego, Dr. Blake Scott studied graduate level Biotechnology at Cal Poly Pomona. He worked in research on neurotransmitters and was the Biotechnology department microsurgeon for subject frogs. It was during this time that he applied to dental school. He and his wife, Dr. Lindsey Scott, met on their first day of dental school at the prestigious University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry in San Francisco.

Dr. Blake Scott was awarded the United States Navy's Health Promotions Scholarship during dental school and went on to serve the United States Navy and United States Marine Corps at Camp Pendleton and Iraq. He completed a post-doctoral comprehensive dental residency honing his skills in dental prosthetics, oral surgery, root canals, periodontics, pediatric dentistry, and hospital dentistry through Naval Dental Center Camp Pendleton, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton, and Naval Medical Center San Diego. He deployed to Iraq and served with 1st Medical Battalion at Al Taqaddum Airbase outside of Fallujah where he was base Director of Oral Medicine and Clinic Director.

Dr. Blake Scott practices with his wife, Dr. Lindsey Scott. Of his many considerable accomplishments, he reports his greatest were convincing Dr. Lindsey Scott to marry him and the subsequent birth of their daughter, Charlotte.

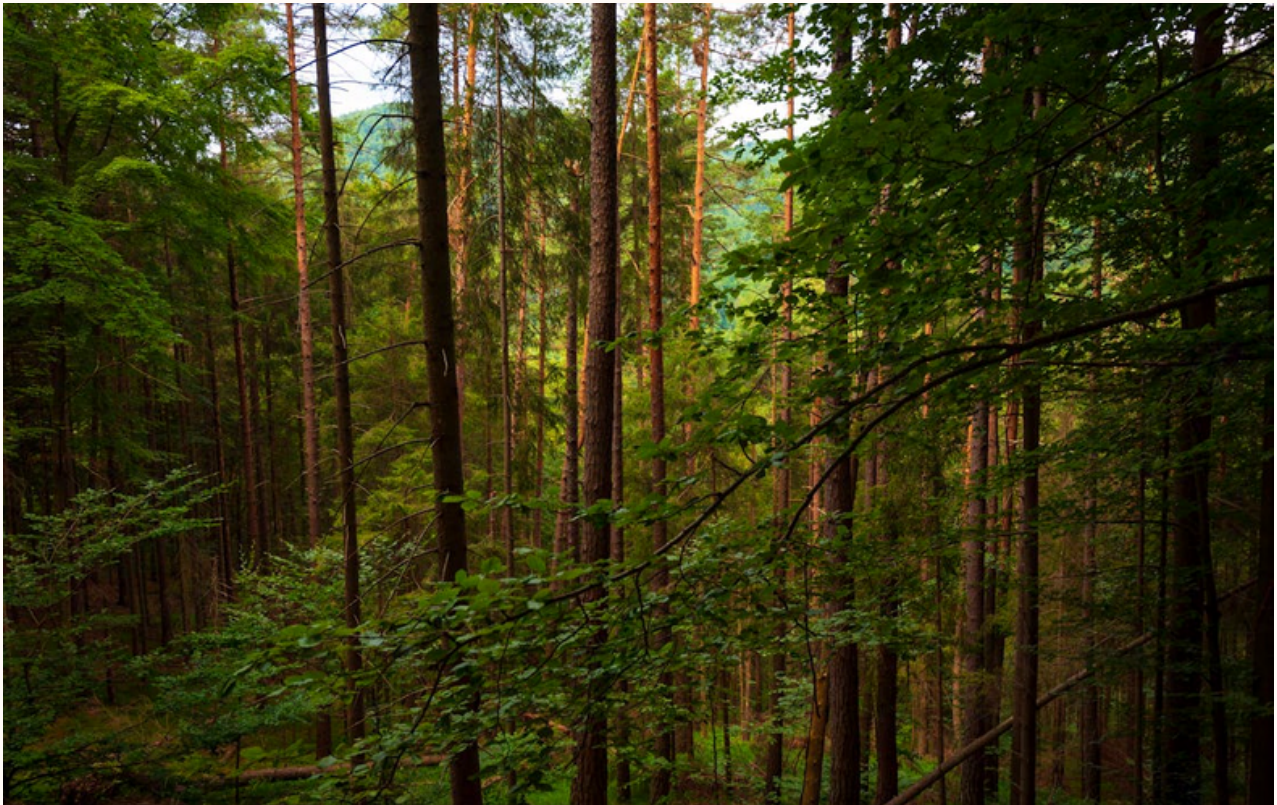


A CAREER WELL LIVED: DENTISTRY AND THE SEARCH FOR MEANING

B Y : D R . B L A K E S C O T T

Viktor Frankl narrowly escaped death—first in Theresienstadt, then Auschwitz, and later in Kaufering. The clouds of doom lifted when he was liberated by U.S. troops from his fourth concentration camp in three years, only to be enveloped once more by grief as he learned that his father, brother, mother, and wife had not been as fortunate. He used his life experience of enduring- and transcending- those challenges to write *Man's Search for Meaning*. The rest of his life was largely devoted to exploring and explaining "logotherapy"- healing through meaning. There are three basic concepts with logotherapy; **freedom of will, will to meaning, and meaning of life**. It's almost as if Viktor Frankl designed logotherapy for dentists

- **Freedom of will** – we are free to choose how we respond to life and are personally responsible for our choices.
- **Will to meaning** – we are motivated to find meaning, and existential frustration often persists when we don't.
- **Meaning of life** – we are called, moment by moment, to respond to life's demands. Meaning comes not from what we take from life, but from what we give to it.



In my 20 years in practice, I have been fortunate to have cultivated many friends and mentors through various activities and interactions. For some reason 2025 has proved an off-ramp from professional life for many of them. Bill Clark, Monte Person, Alan Chien, Tim Baker, Catherine Lambitecchio, and Lou Cohen among others were names synonymous with local dental excellence who have chosen to pass the baton to the next generation of dentists.

In congratulatory conversations, I have been made aware of the importance of the opportunities we all share within this profession to create a life of meaning and a life well lived. Maybe like you- I have held a job in some capacity since I was 14 years old; at times more than one job, and oftentimes many more than one. My discernment for engaging with those remuneratory relationships was dependent on my available talents at each point in my life. I remember clearly that the earliest job requirements for my agreement to work was simply if the paying party was willing to have me. In my 7th working year and my 21st year of life, I began to realize the best part of working was not the ability to buy things after the 1st and 15th of each month, but the myriad lessons that came with each new job.

I like to think of myself as a thorough learner—rather than a slow one, but the most important lessons began to rise to the top of my awareness in my 23rd year. I realized that I had made an error in trying to find the career that I thought had the best parts and instead realized that I was wise to turn my mind sideways and look at the parts of the job that I liked LEAST in order to find the BEST career for myself. I had been disappointed by so many working arrangements because I had found out that what I had purported to be a great job had left me crestfallen after finding out that it had shortcomings that did not suit me or my intentions.

With more experience, skill, and wisdom, I became more selective. My approach evolved to applying for positions that I knew were attractive to me, but I did not yet know what the worst part about them was. Beginning with the expectation that no perfect job existed and instead of hoping to find one without flaws, I became obsessed with finding the worst part of whatever career appealed to me and I thought might be a good fit. This led me to dentistry, but it also led me to the same wisdom that allows me to share the satisfaction that accompanies these mentors who now get to reflect upon a career well lived. Happiness is not in the choice of a career, but in the daily choices of actions that make up the career.

Aside from Frankl, there are many places to find insight on meaning. The answers are remarkably similar, whether you ask mindfulness teachers, the Stoics, Buddhism, Taoism, existentialists, Confucius, positive psychology, or Christianity. You'll find that some tenets are inarguable, and some results are irrefutable—but what we should all appreciate is that dentistry gives us countless opportunities to feel, when we finally retire, that our professional life meant something.

Certainly, the current state of the world at large and the world of dentistry presents a litany of factors at odds with this thought and contrary to our ease of happiness. The stoics would say to this- "the obstacle is the way". Regardless of the "he who shall not be named" insurance company that spears our sides daily, or the faceless, Orwellian state bureaucracy that entangles us in endless red tape and electronic form fatigue; Max Ehrmann's Desiderata shows us "With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy".

The overarching truth is that we have all been appointed masters of our own lives. Whether we want that title or not (but we are wise to want it)- it came with the license which came from the degree which came from the arduous education which came from a great decision to pursue dentistry some time ago. Respect for our profession and its following actions also allow us to reap the benefits throughout our careers and at the end of them. We all have days where we forget how great of a profession in which we have won ourselves a position. Those are precisely the days we should remember how valuable a service we provide, how many lives we have enhanced, and how many people are better because they have spent some time (begrudgingly probably) with us. The existentialists of the 20th century would say that life has no inherent meaning but is created through authenticity and freedom. So, a wise Jean-Paul Sartre, (DDS) might reflect upon the daily opportunities that dentistry presents as the perfect profession for meaning.

Carl Sagan, DMD a longstanding (hypothetical) graduate from the College of Dentistry and Humanism would see that Dignity, Autonomy and Social Responsibility really are what we are fortunately faced with as we open up Dentrrix, Open Dental, and Eaglesoft every Monday morning.

In the next iteration of civilization where our attorneys and accountants might be ChatGPT, JD or CoPilot, CPA, it will be difficult to replace us with Artificial Intelligence. Because of our diligence in protecting the relationship of our profession with our patients through the actions and interactions that also bring meaning, we have all but ensured security and happiness (if we address that with intention). While 2020-2025 may have brought moments of jealousy of our WFH acquaintances, our inherent inability as a profession to ever work from home also illustrates that there will not be a chatbot administering a comfortable Inferior Alveolar nerve block even if the patient is seated in Dr. Jetson's practice with a highway of flying cars viewable through the clouds outside of the operatory window.

Whether it's this week in 2025 or the day you retire, I hope you see each day as a brick in the temple of your career—a career built on proud, intentional choices. One day, may you look back and say, "I am happy. I did good work. I treated people well."

We may not all share the same wealth or accolades, but we can all take pride in a life and career shaped by our own hands. And if that pride comes from the heart, you will be happy—you can't help but be.





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A Blast From The Past

Showcasing Past FMDS Articles



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• THE FRESNO BEE Saturday, Nov. 3, 1984

Fresno dentist subject of 'Believe It Or Not'

Fresno dentist William E. Clark, who has made news personalizing the dental crowns of some of his patients, will be featured in a segment of "Ripley's Believe It Or Not" Sunday night at 7 o'clock on Channel 47.

Clark has been the subject of several articles in The Bee and on local television.

According to a 1982 article which appeared in The Fresno Bee written by Woody Laughnan, more than 100 people are wearing personalized crowns fashioned by Clark. The teeth are painted with everything from butterflies to a World War II fighter plane.

Clark does a preliminary drawing first and then a final design, which is painted onto the tooth with a

porcelain stain and then glazed by a lab technician.

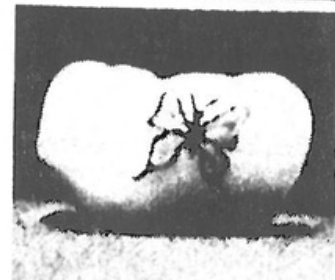
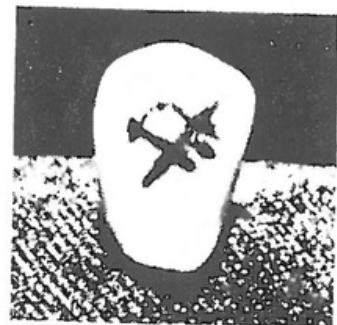
Clark has painted a picture of a motorcycle rider going at full speed on his cycle chasing a cop. A Basque sheepman has a horned ram on one of his crowns. The most popular designs are flowers and butterflies, but he has also done cartoon characters such as Pluto and Winnie the Pooh.

Clark has patients wearing crowns with astrological signs, good luck signs, unicorns, daisies, race cars, owls and a devil with a pitchfork.

Clark's segment of "Ripley's Believe It Or Not" was filmed in Fresno about six weeks ago. Twelve of his patients and their customized crowns are expected to be featured on the show.



William E. Clark, D.D.S.





A Life-Changing Journey with Project Niño

By Dr. Jake Weissich

I recently had the life-changing opportunity to travel to Santiago Tlautla, Mexico, on a dental mission trip with a team of healthcare professionals from Fresno. We were part of Project Niño, a remarkable initiative that began 39 years ago through a partnership between Rotary Clubs in Fresno and Mexico City.

The project was co-founded by Dr. David Hodge, a devoted Fresno physician, and Arturo Zapata, a generous philanthropist and businessman from Mexico City. Their shared vision was simple yet profound: to provide free medical and dental care to underserved children in rural Mexico. That vision continues to thrive to this day.

Now in his early 80s, Dr. Hodge remains deeply committed to the cause. He attends the mission every year and works tirelessly in the dental clinic, running sterilization with care and precision. After Arturo's passing, his son Miguel Zapata, along with his wife Alondra, stepped in to lead the Mexican side of the mission. With passion and grace, they now organize and coordinate the entire effort, hosting our team in their home, sharing meals with us, and making us feel deeply welcomed and supported.

This year, our team included two optometrists, an ophthalmologist, seven pediatricians, six dentists, and a geriatric physician. We transformed empty classrooms at the local elementary school into makeshift clinics. In just five days, we were able to serve 2,104 patients — a powerful testament to the dedication of the team and the enduring strength of the collaboration behind Project Niño.

The local community played a crucial role in our work. Volunteers from Santiago Tlautla cooked and served us lunch every day, assisted chairside by translating and passing instruments, and helped manage the long lines of families waiting patiently for care. Their generosity, warmth, and commitment were deeply moving.

This mission reminded me of the immense need that still exists in underserved communities — and of the beautiful things that can happen when people come together in service of others. I am incredibly grateful to have been a part of it and hope to return again next year. It's an experience I will carry with me for the rest of my life.



WHY I AM SO INVOLVED IN ORGANIZED DENTISTRY

BY: PAUL HSIAO DDS MPH JD FACD FICD



Dentistry has always been more to me than a profession—it is a community, a responsibility, and a legacy. From the start of my career, I have believed that if I choose to be part of something, I must do my best to leave it better than I found it. That philosophy is what drives my involvement in organized dentistry.

My journey began right after completing my general practice residency at the VA Hospital and Community Regional Medical Center in Fresno. I quickly realized that practicing dentistry was only part of the picture; to truly strengthen our profession, I also needed to contribute to the organizations that support and guide it. Over the years, I have had the privilege of serving a President of the Fresno Madera Dental Society twice, and I now represent my colleagues as the Board Component Representative to the California Dental Association (CDA) while also serving as

Vice Chair of the Committee on Volunteer Placement. Nationally, I have been honored with the ADA David Whiston Leadership Award, participated in the ADA Institute for Diversity in Leadership, and served in the ADA House of Delegates. My work on CDA's Judicial Council gave me further perspective on the ethical and structural foundations that sustain our profession.

I believe effective leadership in dentistry requires understanding its many layers. It means knowing the challenges and rewards of private practice while also appreciating the mission of community clinics. It means connecting the work of state associations with national priorities, and recognizing how education shapes the future of our profession. By engaging in all of these arenas, I have developed a broader perspective that allows me to advocate for meaningful change and to bridge the needs of different parts of

dentistry into a stronger whole.

What has made this journey most rewarding are the people I have met along the way. Organized dentistry attracts passionate, dedicated leaders who inspire me every day. Their vision and commitment reminds me why this work matters—not only for dentists, but for the countless patients whose oral health depends on a strong united profession.

In the end, my involvement in organized dentistry comes down to a promise I made to myself when I first became a dentist: to shape the future of this profession to that those who come after us will inherit something stronger, fairer and more vibrant. For me, leadership is not just a role—it is a duty and an opportunity to make a lasting difference.

Become a Dental Assistant

AT FRESNO
CITY COLLEGE

Dental Assistants work as team members along with dentists and dental hygienists and perform a variety of patient care, front office, and laboratory duties. Assistants prepare patients for treatment and examinations and assure supplies, dental records, and instruments are ready for use by the dentists. Assistants also prepare patients for x-rays, take x-rays, process films, sterilize and disinfect instruments and equipment, take impressions, and instruct patients in post-treatment care.

Degrees

- Dental Assisting Clinician - Certificate of Achievement

Act Now

- Apply to Fresno City College
- Enroll in available Dental Assisting classes (no pre-requisite coursework or application required)

Courses and Information

The Dental Assisting curriculum or pathway is designed to prepare students to successfully work as members of a dental team. Courses include infection control, dental radiology, medical emergencies, dental practice management, and a clinical internship. After 9-units of coursework, students will earn a Certificate of Achievement in Dental Assisting-Clinician.

- DA-1 Practice Management - 2 units
- DA-2 Infection Control - 2 units
- DA-3 Dental Radiology - 3 units
- DA-3A Clinical Dental Radiology -1 unit
- DA-19 Work Experience - 1 unit (54 hours paid or unpaid work experience)

Most classes are scheduled in a hybrid format with some online coursework and face-to-face classes scheduled evenings and weekends to support working adults.

Note: Classes can be taken in any order. A CPR certificate (BLS for Health Care providers) and current vaccinations will be required for the Dental Assistant Program. Information will be available from your instructor

DID YOU KNOW?



A CDA member benefit includes an Employee Manual Generator that is fully customizable!
It is updated annually and is reviewed by employment attorneys and HR Specialists.
Typically, employee manuals can cost anywhere from \$1000 to \$5000

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?



We're looking for members who want to make a difference in organized dentistry and their community. We encourage all members who wish to serve in local leadership to contact FMDS and forward your CV to fmds@fmds.com

Merriam Osmondson
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fmds@fmds.com

Continuing Education for California Dentists

Understand the rules
and requirements
for licensure and permits.



TOTAL C.E. UNITS REQUIRED FOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Active Dentist: 50 C.E. units every 2 years

First-time Renewal/After Initial Licensure: 0 units

Retired Active Dentist: 30 units

Retired Inactive or Disabled Dentist: 0 units

RDA, RDAEF: 25 units

- **RDH, RDHEF:** 25 units
- **DA with a specialty permit:** 25 units
- **RDHAP:** 35 units
- **Unlicensed DA:** 0 units

Retired Active Dentist and Retired Inactive or Disabled Dentist license categories require application, and C.E. is required to restore active license status.

MANDATORY COURSES Included in total C.E. units.

- **California Infection Control:** 2 units
- **California Dental Practice Act:** 2 units
- **Basic Life Support (BLS):** Must be current; includes hands-on component
- **Prescribing Schedule II Opioid Drugs (for dentists only):** 2 units

These mandatory courses count toward the 50-unit total required for license renewal. Providers must be Dental Board-approved.

DENTISTS HOLDING PERMITS

Elective Facial Cosmetic Surgery: 24 units in elective facial cosmetic surgery-related courses

General Anesthesia: 24 units in general anesthesia and advanced cardiac life support courses

Moderate Sedation: 15 units in moderate sedation and medical emergencies courses

Pediatric Endorsement: current PALS and airway management certificate or equivalent training

Oral Conscious Sedation: 7 units in oral conscious sedation courses

Pediatric Minimal Sedation: 7 units in pediatric minimal sedation courses

These units count toward the 50-unit total required for license renewal.

What courses are eligible for C.E.?

Examples of unrestricted courses include:

- Preventive services, diagnostic protocols and procedures (including physical evaluation, radiography and dental photography), comprehensive treatment planning, charting of the oral conditions, informed consent protocols and record-keeping.
- Nutrition and nutrition counseling of the patient.
- Aesthetic, corrective and restorative oral health diagnosis and treatment.
- Dentistry's role in individual and community health emergencies, disasters and disaster recovery.

Courses considered to be primarily of benefit to the licensee may not make up more than 20% of the total units required for renewal. These are limited to 10 units for an active dentist and 5 units for RDA, RDH, and course types include:

- To improve recallandschedulingsystems,productionflow,communicationsystems and data management.
- In leadership development and team development.
- In teaching methodology and curricula development.
- In human resources management and employee benefits.

Courses considered to be of direct benefit to the licensee or outside the scope of dental practice in California are not C.E.-eligible. Course types include:

- Money management, the licensee's personal finances or personal matters such as financial or estate planning and personal investments.
- General physical fitness, weight management or the licensee's personal health.
- Purchase or sale of a dental practice, business or office; transfer of practice ownership, acquisition of partners and associates, practice valuation, practice transitions or retirement.

Where can I find an approved C.E. provider?

Eligible courses must be provided by entities approved by:

- Dental Board of California
- American Dental Association Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP)
- Academy of General Dentistry Program Approval for Continuing Education (PACE)

Basic Life Support providers include the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) or courses taught by a provider approved by the ADA's Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) or the Academy of General Dentistry's Program Approval for Continuing Education (PACE).

Can I earn C.E. as a volunteer?

- Up to 3 units may be credited for providing direct patient care for unpaid volunteer work in specified settings.
- Licensees can earn limited credit through participation in specific dental board activities.

How can I stay compliant with C.E. requirements?

- Ensure all C.E. courses are completed within the two-year renewal period.
- Maintain documentation of all completed courses for three license renewal periods and for potential audits.
- Verify that course providers are approved by the appropriate accrediting bodies.

C.E. deadlines and helpful answers to FAQs

- C.E. units must be earned in the two-year renewal period that starts on the first day of the month following the license expiration date.
- The license and/or permit expiration date is determined by the individual's birth month and year. A license and/or permit expires on the last day of the individual's birth month.
- One unit of C.E. is granted for every hour of contact instruction and may be issued in half-hour increments.
- Eight units of credit is the maximum allowed to be earned in one day.
- No more than one-half of the total units required for license or permit renewal may be earned through correspondence or non-live instruction.
- No more than 20% of the total number of units required for license or permit renewal may be earned from courses deemed by the Dental Board to be primarily of benefit to the licensee.
- Retain C.E. certificates for a minimum of three renewal periods. This is a requirement.
- Completion of a course does not constitute authorization for the attendee to perform any services that they are not legally authorized to perform based on their license or permit type.

Learn more about C.E. requirements and explore high-quality courses at cda.org.

SCAN HERE



This guide is intended to provide a summary of C.E. requirements for California dentists. For comprehensive details and updates, please refer to the Dental Board of California.

Learn more about member benefits at
www.cda.org/membership/membership-benefits



Don't hesitate to ask.

When you need an advocate for your physical, mental or emotional health, turn to CDA Foundation's Wellness Program.

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Practice for Sale

Practice for Sale

Long established dental office. Appx. 1300+ SF. Includes 3 operatories for TX, lab, x-ray and CBCT X-ray. Convenient free parking. Seller is very motivated. Ready to retire. Interested parties please call: 559 227-5466 or 559 448-7522 cell.

Office for Sale or Lease

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12/12/2024

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3 operatories

One indoor restroom

All equipment included

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Total rent including NNN is approx \$3000 per month

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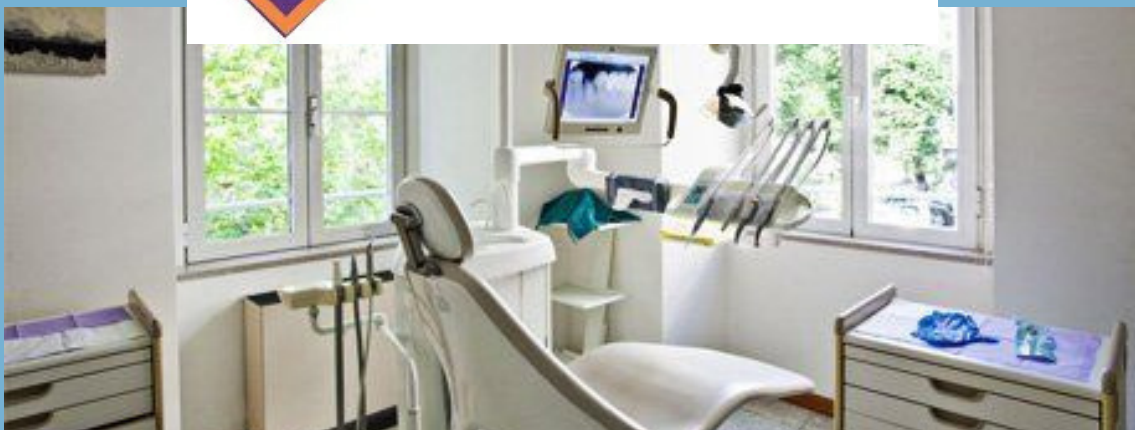
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Saturday, October 25, 2025

Last renewal course for 2025!



Time 8:30 am

Location 371 E Bullard Ste 120
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Price \$80.00
Members, non-
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FMDS 2025/2026

Calendar of Events



2025

October **11**

FMDS Shred-A-Thon and e-Waste Recycling
9:30 am-12:30 PM
371 E Bullard Ave Fresno 93710
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October **25**

BLS/CPR renewal course
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2026

January **22**

Staff Night, FCC Hygiene Table Clinics, FMDS Board Installation
Team Building and Leadership
Hotel Piccadilly
with Cindy Hartwell

January **28**

Harassment Prevention Training for Employers/Manager/Employees
Michael Rossiter
Live Webinar
2 CE's for Employers/Managers
1 CE for Employees

February **03**

Live Webinar
Responsibilities & Requirements for Prescribing Controlled Substances

February **20**

CCDC
OSHA, Infection Control, CA Dental Practice Act & HIPAA
Kory Benson
Clovis Veteran's Memorial Bldg
6 CE's

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