



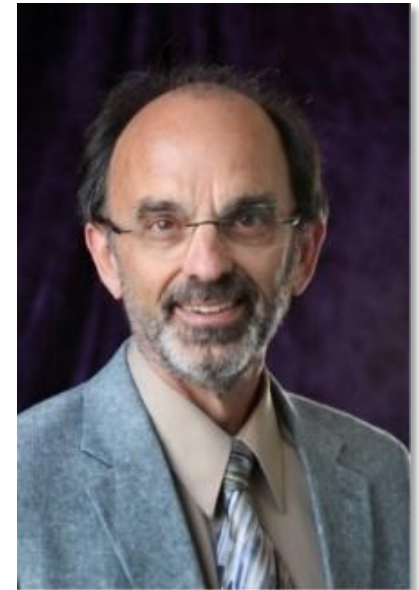
Dentistry IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Allied Staff News

Annual Session Preview!

The 2024 Annual Session planning is in full swing!
We are excited to have a great list of speakers committed to joining us in Sioux Falls, May 16-18, 2024!

We would like to introduce **Dr. Gregory Psaltis** from Olympia, Washington:



Dr. Psaltis has been a pediatric dentist for 43 years. Dr. Psaltis integrates his years of pediatric dentistry with insight and humor presenting a variety of topics that range from several dental areas to practice management to mental health. He enlightens and entertains his audiences with anecdotes from his practice and life!

“Establishing Equilibrium in the 5G World”

The pandemic, staff shortages, debt, fast pace of life, time away from family and other factors are all adding to the accumulated stress that we are all experiencing. With a wonderful career choice like ours, shouldn't we be enjoying ourselves more and stressing less? Are there any simple solutions to make our quality of life better? In this discussion, we will talk about 5 “G’s” that add to stress and 5 “G’s” that can reduce them. These simple ideas are all easily attainable by anyone motivated enough to de-stress.

“Getting Past ‘Uh-oh,’ ‘No’ and Helicopters”

Behavior management in a pediatric dental setting. Key elements include managing yourself, the patient, and the parents.

In addition to great speakers and continuing education; we will offer interactive experiences, social and networking opportunities, and exhibits. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a few days of learning, gathering with dental professionals and fun! Click this QR code to make your hotel reservation today!



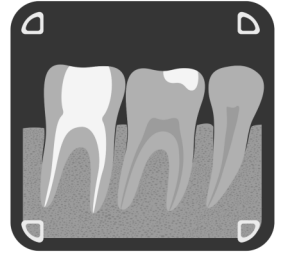
Give Kids A Smile Day



Each year, beginning on the first Friday in February, thousands of dentists and their dental team members provide free oral health care services to children from low-income families. The ADA's Give Kids A Smile® (GKAS) program enhances the oral health of large numbers of needy children. These activities also highlight, for policy makers, the ongoing challenges that low-income families face in finding dental care. SDDA members are encouraged to host a GKAS day in their own office. Working alongside a local non-profit or children's organization is a great way to find underserved patients who need dental care. For a complete kit on hosting KGAS and to register to participate, go to: www.ada.org/gkas.

Radiation Safety Rules Changing

The South Dakota Department of Health (SD DOH) regulates all radiation producing devices in South Dakota. The SD DOH is in the process of updating the rules for radiation control in the state. Most of the changes have no impact on the machines in most dental offices due to the low levels of radiation produced. However, the SD DOH is likely to adopt at least one new rule affecting dental offices: that operators of hand-held radiographic image devices wear a lead apron when operating the device. The SDDA was able to intervene on behalf of the profession to remove the requirement that cone beam CT operators be excluded from the requirement that they be certified by a national radiography certification board in order to operate CBCT equipment.



Classified Ads

Dakota Family Dentistry in Huron, SD is seeking a full-time or part-time **registered dental hygienist** to join our team. The ideal candidate should be dedicated to providing excellent patient care with exceptional service. This is an outstanding opportunity to practice in a well-established clinic with a great team! Benefits include sign-on bonus, competitive pay, 401K with profit-sharing, paid sick leave, paid vacation, paid dues, paid licenses, in-house family dental benefit, paid CE, and 6 paid holidays. Visit our website at: www.dakotafamilydentistry.org to learn more about us or to print off a job application. You can also call 605-352-6999 to inquire and get an application.

E-mail: office@dakotafamilydentistry.org; OR Mail to: Dakota Family Dentistry; 1010 Dakota Ave. S.; Huron, SD 57350

Dental Hygienist: Are you a dental hygienist looking for a change? Delta Dental of South Dakota's Mobile Program has opportunities for dental hygienists. These opportunities include both—full time and/or part-time flexible schedules, including working specific weeks and/or months out of the year. The dental hygienists will work under collaborative supervision in southwest South Dakota, primarily on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. The dental hygienists will join a team providing preventive services and oral health education in schools, Head Starts, etc. Extensive travel is required. Excellent salary and benefits including health, dental, vision, life/long term disability insurance, paid holidays, vacation/sick leave, 401k, and more. For more information visit www.deltadentalsd.com. Submit a cover letter and resume to: summer.sporrer@deltadentalsd.com. Questions? Contact Summer Sporrer at 605-494-2569.

Hygienist: We are in search of an energetic, compassionate, and detail-oriented Hygienists to join our team. Responsibilities/Requirements: Licensed Dental Hygienist in Minnesota. Perform all duties allowed under Minnesota Dental Hygiene Licensure. Great patient management skills. Administer nitrous oxide. New graduates welcome. Details: Wage starting at \$45 per hour; \$20,000 sign on bonus; Health Insurance subsidy; Simple IRA with 3% match; PTO Scrub allowance; Required CE paid; Paid licensing dues; Association dues; and CPR/BLS renewal. Annual bonuses (varies year to year) Hours: M-Thu 7:45-4:30. Email resumes or questions to stacy@caringshandsc.org. Check out our website: www.caringshandsdentalclinic.com for more information.

The University of South Dakota Department of Dental Hygiene is looking for **retired dental assistants** who are willing to fill in for reception and dental assisting duties on an as needed basis. Please contact the Department Chair: Miranda Drake for more information (miranda.drake@usd.edu and/or 605-658-5964).

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DENTAL ASSOCIATION

Dental Hygienist: City of Sioux Falls HIRING RANGE DOQ: \$29.44 - \$32.07 hourly JOB SUMMARY Perform professional dental care in the field of dental hygiene, including all related clinical procedures and broad responsibility for clinical and community dental health education activities. This position is eligible for a hiring incentive of up to \$4,000. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS Graduation from an accredited dental hygiene school is required. Two (2) years' experience is preferred; or any such combination of education, experience, and training as may be acceptable to the hiring authority. Hold a valid license to practice dental hygiene in South Dakota. Hold a valid local anesthesia license and valid nitrous oxide license. APPLICATION AND SELECTION Apply online at www.siouxfalls.org/careers. If an ADA accommodation is needed, please contact, 72 hours prior to closing date, 605-367-8740 or recruiter@siouxfalls.org.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CALENDAR

The listing of these programs is provided as a service to SDDA Newsletter subscribers, and does not mean that these programs have been endorsed or approved by the SD Dental Association or the SD State Board of Dentistry. All members are cautioned to evaluate the programs on their own merit.

SOUTH DAKOTA DENTAL ASSOCIATION

2024 ANNUAL SESSION

Contact: Melissa Afdahl , 605-609-1152
melissa@sddental.org, www.sddental.org

May 16-18, 2024; Sioux Falls, SD

WESTERN DAKOTA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Contact: 605-718-2410; email: corped@wdt.edu

- **Third Friday of the month (AM)**

American Heart Association CPR Class for Healthcare Professionals

- **Third Friday of the month (PM)**

American Heart Association CPR Recertification for Healthcare Provider

- **Dental Radiology (2-day course)**

Oct 13-14, Nov 18-19, and Dec 9-10, 2023 in Rapid City

- **Nitrous Oxide/Oxygen Sedation (2-day course)**

July 21-22, 2023 in Rapid City

SOUTHEAST TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Contact: 605-367-4607

or corporateeducation@southeasttech.edu

- **Dental Radiology**

November 17, 2023 and March 1, 2024

LAKE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Contact: Nicole Pahl, 605-882-5284, ext. 362;

Nicole.Pahl@lakeareatech.edu

<https://www.lakeareatech.edu/corporate-education/corporate-education-registration/>

Home Study Radiology Courses available:

- Radiology Safety
- Radiography Production

Introduction to Basic Concepts in Dental Radiography

Dates for 2024 TBD

CPR COURSES

CPR: Contact: Tia Meyer; 605-842-5672 or meyertia@hotmail.com

605CPR: Local instructor with 20 years of CPR teaching experience. We provide AHA and Red Cross BLS/ACLS/PALS certification www.cprsiouxfallssd.com; jr@605CPR.com; 605-525-4CPR (4277). Will travel.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Contact: Dept. of Dental Hygiene, 605-658-5960

Nitrous Oxide/Oxygen Sedation Course

- October 20-21, 2023

Local Anesthesia Certification

- June 18-20, 2026

Local Anesthesia Refresher

- June 7, 2024

AAP Periodontology Guidelines

- July 19, 2024

Advanced Instrumentation

- July 26, 2024

Home Study Courses available:

- Radiology Interpretation, Pathology & Anomalies
- Errors of PA's, BWS & Panoramic Radiography
- Oral Effects of Head & Neck Radiation Therapy
- Radiation Safety
- Portable Dental Radiography
- SDF

ADA CE ONLINE

Contact: www.ada.org/goto/ceonline

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF DENTAL BOARDS

Contact: 1-800-621-8099

- "The Dental Patient Record"

Sioux Empire Smiles - Saturday, Oct 7, 2023

At risk youth from across the Sioux Empire will have the opportunity to receive free dental care on Saturday, October 7, 2023. Sioux Empire Smiles is a free one-day children's dental clinic hosted by the Southeastern District Dental Society (SEDDS). It will take place at the Children's Dental Center at 3813 S. Kiwanis Circle in Sioux Falls. Volunteers are needed from 8:00am to Noon. Project organizers plan to see as many children as possible, with the goal of providing free services to 100 children during the event.

"We are excited to offer this unique and much needed clinic to children across the Sioux Empire," said Dr. Miranda Lommen-Mielke, director of the event. "Children with poor oral health status are more likely to experience dental pain, miss school, and perform poorly in school. We aim to provide care that has a direct impact on quality of life for area children and families."

Supervision Requirements Change for Administration of Local and N/O to Adults

The State Board of Dentistry has changed the level of supervision required for the administration of local anesthesia and nitrous oxide. Dental hygienists and dental assistants may now administer nitrous oxide sedation and analgesia to patients eighteen years and older under the general supervision of a dentist if they have a board permit to do so. Additionally, a dental hygienist may administer local anesthesia to patients eighteen years and older under the general supervision of a dentist if they have a board permit to do so. In both cases the dentist must have authorized the procedures in the patient's record and must have a written emergency response protocol in place. Also, if there has been any relevant change in the patient's medical history, the dentist must be consulted before the anesthesia or analgesia is administered.

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