



► NEDDA ADVOCATES AT DENTISTS' DAY ON THE HILL

Dentists' Day on the Hill 2026



Northeast District Dental Association (NEDDA) dentists gathered in Tallahassee to advocate for policies that protect the dental profession and support the delivery of safe, ethical and high quality dental care across Florida. Their presence helped ensure that the voices of our district's dental professionals were heard by legislators making decisions that directly impact patient care and practice sustainability.

A heartfelt thank you to NEDDA leadership members **Drs. Andy Brown, Tom Brown, Bethany Douglas** and **Kris Harth** for making the trip and representing our district with dedication and professionalism. We also extend sincere appreciation to all NEDDA members whose dues make these advocacy efforts possible.

Call to Action

If you are interested in attending the next *Dentists' Day on the Hill* or becoming involved as a Legislative Contact Dentist, we encourage you to take the next step in advocacy.

You may find more information [here](#), or contact Debbie DeVille at ddeville@nedda.org to learn how you can participate and help shape the future of dentistry in Florida.

► FLORIDA DENTAL LICENSE RENEWAL REMINDER – RENEW BY 2/28/2026

Reminder: All Florida-licensed dentists must renew their dental license by midnight on Feb. 28, 2026. Before renewing, visit CEBroker.com to review your continuing education (CE) credits or self-report any additional courses. Need additional CE? FDA members can access up to six hours of free online courses at florididental.org/online-ce.

If you need to fulfill the **mandatory prescribing controlled substances requirement**, the FDA offers the on-demand webinar “Opioid Use Disorder in Dental Patients” for \$40 for member dentists. As a member benefit, verified webinar completions will be reported to CE Broker on your behalf. Click [here](#) for webinar details and to register.

New requirement: All Florida-licensed dentists and hygienists must also complete a Level 2 background screening and fingerprinting prior to renewal.

To avoid delays or license expiration, the FDA recommends completing this step at least 14 days before your renewal date. Learn more about the new requirement and find approved fingerprinting locations in your area at florididental.org/fingerprinting.



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All Florida licensed dentists must renew their dental license for the 2024-2026 biennium by **Feb. 28, 2026**. You must complete 30 hours of CE credit to renew your dental license. Because you are an FDA member, we are here to help! The FDA offers opportunities to earn 6 hours of free CE online at www.floridadental.org/online-ce.



NEW! Fingerprinting & Background Screening Requirement

All Florida licensed dentists renewing their license by Feb. 28, 2026 must undergo a fingerprint-based Level 2 background check, including state and national criminal records checks, and are required to comply with the background screening requirements established in section 456.0135, F.S.

Learn more at floridadental.org/fingerprinting.

Requirements for First-Time Biennium Renewals

If you are newly licensed (after Feb. 28, 2024) and renewing your license for the first time, you are only required to complete two courses for renewal. These courses are:

- 2 hours of CE on Prescribing Controlled Substances
- 2 hours of CE on HIV/AIDS

At the next renewal cycle, you must complete the full 30-hour requirement.

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This 2-hour course is included in the 28 hours of general course credit & must be taken each license renewal.



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2 Hours of Domestic Violence Credits

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2 Hours of HIV/Aids Credits

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Updated CPR Certificate

You must have a current CPR certification to renew. The CPR certification course hours do not count toward the 30 hours required to renew.



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NEW BACKGROUND SCREENING REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL

All health care practitioners, including dentists and hygienists, will be **required** to have a **background screening** and **fingerprinting** in order to renew their licenses for **February 28, 2026**.

As required by the Florida Legislature.



Fingerprinting & Background Screening Requirement

Florida Dental License Renewal:

Per 2024 legislation, all Florida-licensed dentists and dental hygienists must complete a Level 2 background screening every five years. This includes electronic fingerprinting through a state-approved provider.

Deadline:

Must be completed by **February 28, 2026**. Recommend completing at least 21 days in advance to avoid delays.

Who Must Comply:

All licensed health professionals in Florida, including dentists and hygienists. Dentists must complete this every other biennium.

Approved Vendors Only:

Fingerprinting must be done through a Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE)-approved Livescan provider that is photo-capable and participates in the Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse.

Medicaid Providers:

May be required to complete fingerprinting; depends upon past screenings. Prior screenings must be within five years and through an FDLE/Clearinghouse-compliant provider.

Concealed Weapon Permits Do Not Qualify:

Fingerprints submitted for concealed weapon permits cannot be used for licensure screening.

Privacy Statement Required:

The privacy statement on your renewal application must be signed. Without it, results cannot be shared with the Florida Department of Health.

How to Complete Your Screening:

- Register in the CHAI system.
- Create or update your profile.
- Schedule an appointment with an FDLE- approved Livescan provider.
- Bring your ORI number (EDOH4560Z) to the appointment.
- Keep your TCN for your personal records.



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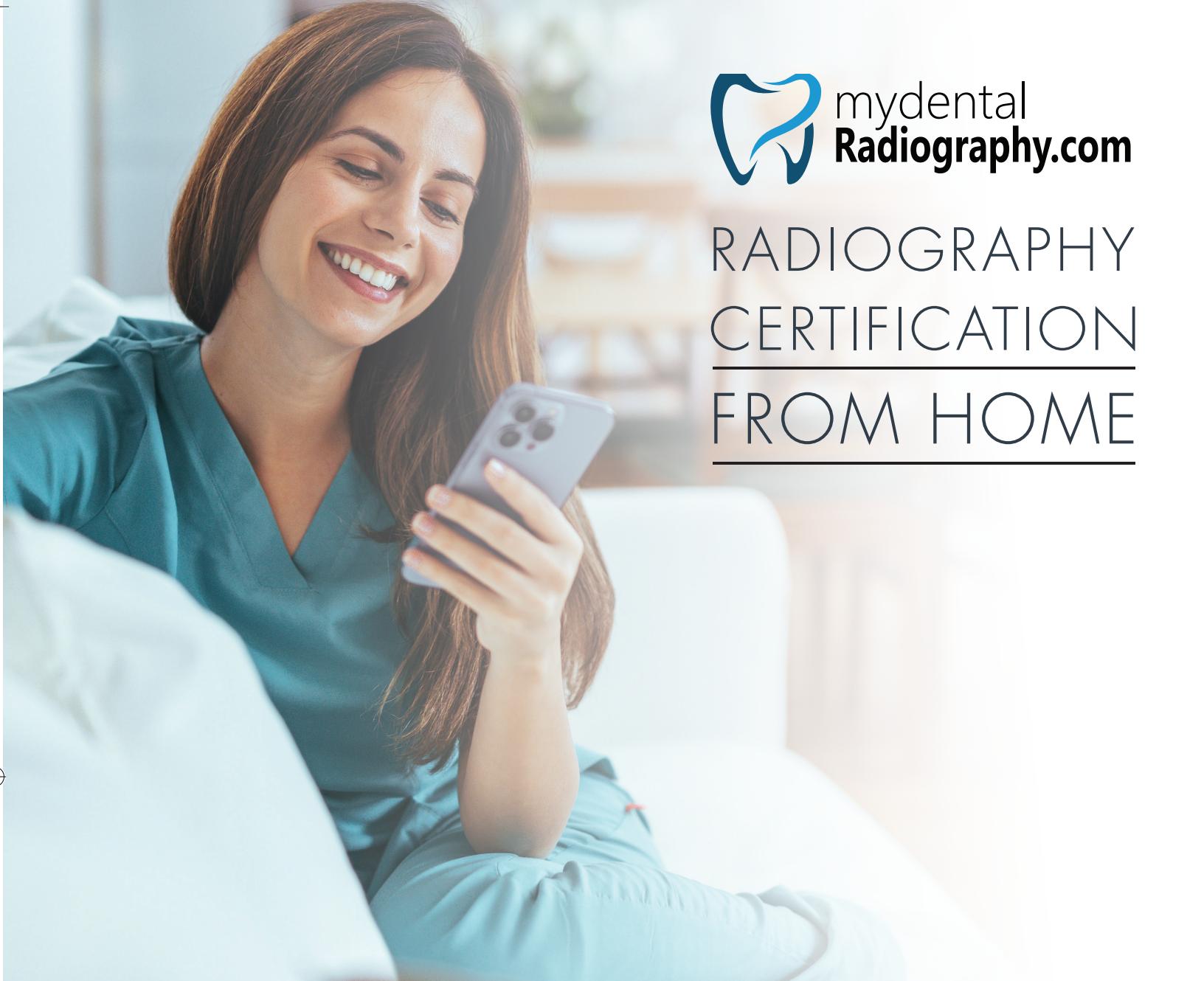
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FSCJ will hold a job fair for the graduating class of dental hygiene students on Wednesday, April 15, at 12 p.m., at the college's North Campus (4501 Capper Rd., Room E166). Graduating dental hygiene students will provide potential employers/dentists with resumes to review and will be able to sit for a brief interview. The job fair will last about 1-2 hours.

If you are interested in reserving a table at the job fair, contact Dr. Jeffery Smith at dr.jeff.smith@fscj.edu or call 904.766.6655 for additional details.



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Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Center

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Best of all, Exhibit Hall access is included with free FDC2026 registration for FDA members. Is your team attending, but not needing CE? Your team can still join the excitement with free Exhibit Hall passes, valid all three days of the convention. Take advantage of this offer starting March 1 at floridadentalconvention.com.



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This year’s scientific program will feature The Dawson Academy’s Core 1 Two-Day Course! Dr. Leonard Hess, Dawson Academy Clinical Director, will be presenting the two-day course [“Dawson Core 1: Occlusion & Smile Design, A Two-Day Course”](#) (C28) on Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27. This two-day course lays the foundation for predictable, long-term restorative success by teaching core principles of occlusal stability, patient communication and modern treatment planning by blending function, aesthetics and business strategies through both analog and digital workflows.

Mark your calendar to register at floridadentalconvention.com beginning March 1! As always, FDA members register for free!

► AADEJ PANEL RELEASES CRITICAL GUIDANCE ON GENERATIVE AI USE IN DENTAL PUBLISHING

Evidence-based consensus statements provide framework for ethical and responsible use of Generative AI in writing and publication of the profession’s literature.

The American Association of Dental Editors and Journalists (AADEJ) today announced the release of its highly anticipated “Guidance for Authors, Editors and Publishers on the Use of Generative AI,” now available on ADACommons at commons.ada.org/individualscholarship/9/.

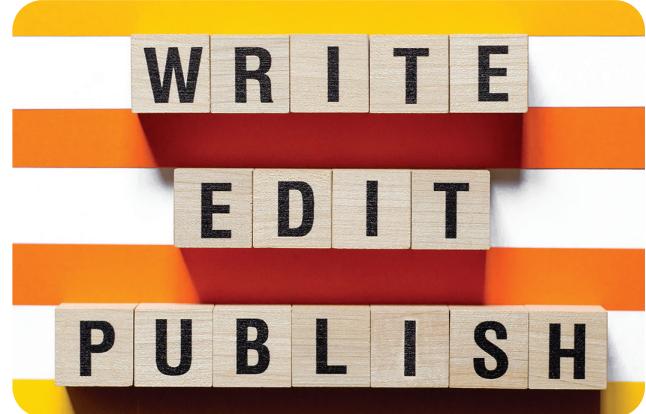
The comprehensive manuscript presents 17 evidence-based consensus statements developed by a multidisciplinary stakeholder panel convened by AADEJ. The panel brought together leading experts in dental editing, academia, publishing and law to address the growing influence of generative AI technologies in professional and scholarly communication.

More than a simple set of recommendations, the guidance document provides critical context on how generative AI tools function and examines the technical, legal and ethical risks their use may introduce. These considerations are essential for maintaining the accuracy, validity and reliability of both professional dental literature and everyday scholarly writing.

“The AADEJ is proud to offer this exciting document that elevates ethical dental journalism and promotes standardization of expectations for authors and readers on GAI use in the profession’s literature,” said AADEJ President Dr. **Jasmine Schafagh**. “We kindly ask that you share this within your networks.”

The guidance includes a tabletop tool that summarizes key statements, enabling publications to develop customized author guidelines and publication policies tailored to their specific needs.

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2026 FDA ELECTION TIMELINE

- January 22
Nomination Process Begins
- April 3
Application Deadline (First Round)
- April 27
Initial Candidate Slate Announced
- May 27
Final Application Deadline
- June 5
Final Candidate Slate Announced
- June 27
Elections held at Annual House of Delegates

The following seats on the Florida Dental Association's Board of Trustees will be open and voted on during the June 2026 House of Delegates meeting:

- Secretary
- President-elect
- Trustees (2 openings)
- Speaker of the House
- FDA Editor

The timeline applies to all open positions.

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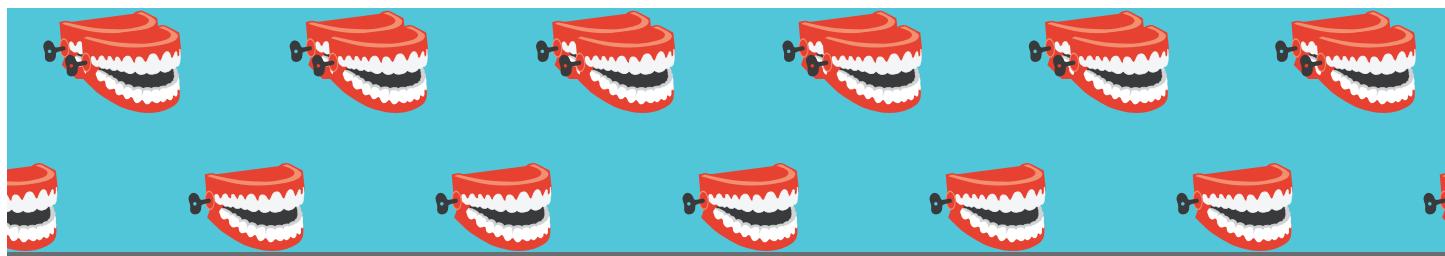


► AADEJ PANEL RELEASES CRITICAL GUIDANCE ON GENERATIVE AI USE IN DENTAL PUBLISHING (CONTINUED)

The AADEJ extends sincere gratitude to the stakeholder panel members whose expertise and dedication made this important work possible: Christopher Smiley (Chairperson), Thomas Dodson, David Foe, Julie Frantsve-Hawley, Chester Gary, Kelly Lemke, Francine Lynch, Kelly O'Brien, Michael Parks, Jeffrey Platt, Toni Roucka, Ellen Thieme and Hugh Wunderlich.

To access the guidance document and tabletop tool, visit: <https://commons.ada.org/individualscholarship/9/>.

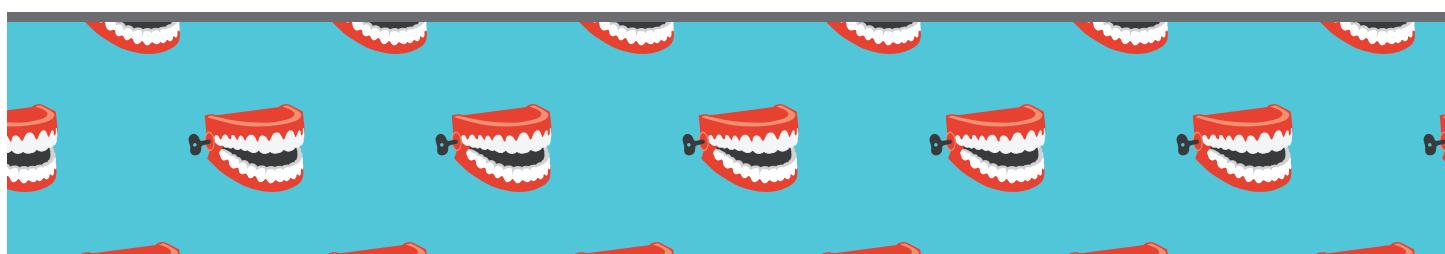
The AADEJ is a nonprofit organization established in 1931 that serves individuals and publications across the oral health community, including state dental associations, component societies, specialty groups and alumni, student, allied professional and commercial publications. AADEJ's mission is to engage in activities that promote the advancement of all phases of dental journalism and dental literature. The association advances ethical journalism by promoting responsible editorial practices, setting high professional standards and providing education and services that foster the professional development of its members.



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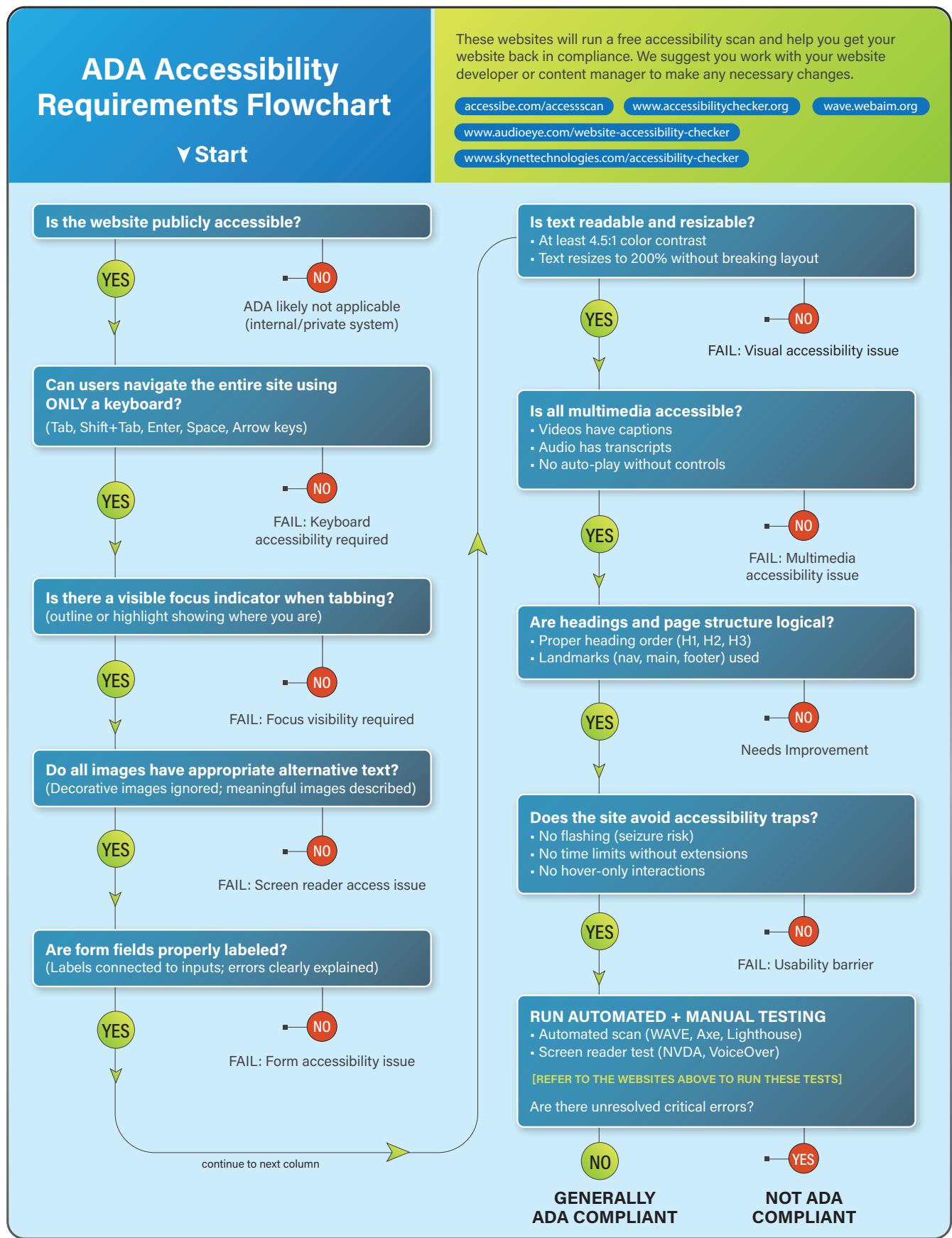
Purchase tickets beginning March 1 through your FDC registration or contact Lianne Bell at lbell@florididental.org or (850) 681-3629 by June 5.

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► AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT – MAKE SURE YOUR WEBSITE IS COMPLIANT!

Many dental practices are being sued for having a public-facing website that does not meet the American with Disabilities Act's standards. This flowchart and the websites mentioned, can help you identify potential issues with your practice's website and hopefully save you from potential legal jeopardy as it relates to your practice website.



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► NEW HIPAA RULES ADDRESS SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER RECORDS

ADA provides updated sample notice ahead of Feb. 16 deadline.

UPDATED FOR ADA MEMBERS Jan. 22: Dentists should be aware that the ADA has revised its [Sample Notice of Privacy Practices](#), which includes information about the confidentiality of patient information from a Part 2 substance abuse treatment program. The resource is available in English and in Spanish. It is member-only and requires ADA member login credentials to access the PDF file.

The ADA created a [Dental Practice Checklist](#) that includes what dental practices need to do before Feb. 16.

The ADA updated its sample Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, or HIPAA, Notice of Privacy Practices to reflect new federal requirements regarding the use and disclosure of certain substance use disorder treatment information. Beginning Feb. 16, HIPAA-covered practices must include information in their Notice of Privacy Practices describing how substance use disorder records protected under title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 2 may be used and disclosed. The new [federal requirements](#) are the result of a final rule modifying the [Part 2](#) rules published Feb. 16, 2024.

The updated sample Notice of Privacy Practices is intended to help dental practices meet their legal obligations while clearly communicating patients' privacy rights.

Under federal law, the Part 2 rules provide heightened confidentiality protections for records related to federally assisted substance use disorder diagnosis, treatment, or referral. Dental practices may receive these records as part of a patient's health history or through coordination of care with other providers. The updated Notice of Privacy Practices explains how these records may be handled when they are received by a dental practice with consent from an individual in a Part 2 program, or under one of the exceptions to the consent requirements.

The HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices is not required to include information concerning reproductive health. Provisions of the HIPAA Privacy Rule to Support Reproductive Health Care Privacy requiring such modifications was vacated by a decision of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas on June 18, 2025.

The sample Notice of Privacy Practices makes clear that certain types of information are subject to special protections.

"Some information, such as HIV-related information, genetic information, alcohol and/or substance use disorder treatment records, and mental health records may be entitled to special confidentiality protections under applicable state or federal law. We will abide by these special protections as they pertain to applicable cases involving these types of records," according to the sample notice.

A new section of the sample Notice of Privacy Practices specifically addresses substance use disorder treatment information governed by Part 2. It explains the difference between records received through a general consent from the patient and records received under a specific consent. The sample notice also states that Part 2 records generally may not be used against a patient in legal proceedings without proper authorization or a qualifying court order.

"In no event will we use or disclose your Part 2 Program record, or testimony that describes the information contained in your Part 2 Program record, in any civil, criminal, administrative, or legislative proceedings by any Federal, State, or local authority, against you, unless authorized by your consent or the order of a court after it provides you notice of the court order," the sample notice reads.



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► NEW HIPAA RULES ADDRESS SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER RECORDS (CONTINUED)

What does this mean for dentists?

To comply with the new requirement by the Feb. 16 deadline, dental practices should update the Notice of Privacy Practices by including the new language related to substance use disorder information disclosure language. They should provide the revised Notice of Privacy Practices to new patients at intake, have it available at the dental office for individuals to request, and post the information in a prominent location in the dental office, as well as on the dental office website if it has one, as required by HIPAA. Electronic distribution is acceptable if patients have agreed to receive notices electronically.

The requirement to update Notice of Privacy Practices does not change other longstanding HIPAA requirements such as the provider's duty to safeguard protected health information, obtain patient authorization for certain uses and disclosures, and notify affected individuals following a breach of unsecured protected health information.

"Dental practices should assess whether they maintain or receive records associated with substance use disorder treatment programs, or Part 2 programs, and update applicable policies, consent forms, and Notices of Privacy Practices," said Jennifer Thompson, D.D.S., chair of the ADA's Council on Dental Practice. "It is also important to train clinical and administrative team members to understand the rules governing patient records under HIPAA and related confidentiality rules."

The updated ADA sample Notice of Privacy Practices replaces the sample Notice of Privacy Practices previously included in the ADA Practical Guide to HIPAA Compliance, the ADA Practical Guide to HIPAA Training and the Personalized Notice of Privacy Practices Brochure. E-book versions of these publications have already been updated.

Members who wish to order updated printed copies of the brochure may do so through [ADAstore.org](#). For more information about the HIPAA Privacy Rule for professionals, visit this [webpage](#). For more information about the final rule, check out the online [fact sheet](#).

Article first appeared in the ADA News by Olivia Anderson.

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► UTILIZE THE FDA'S JUMPSTART PROGRAM IN SOLVING WORKFORCE CHALLENGES



The FDA's Jumpstart program is an initiative to connect member dentists with pre-dental students who are interested in volunteering or working with dental offices. It's a creative solution to assist in solving workforce challenges faced by Florida dentists. Jumpstart is a fast pass for

students to gain real-world experience, connect with dentists and master skills that will help them stand out in the dental school application process and in the competitive field of dentistry. All of this while providing staffing for offices that may have difficulty hiring the right people. A true win-win!

As a result of the FDA's efforts, members can access a student directory at florididental.org/jumpstart. It notes students' geographic location, interests and roles they could fill. If you have an interest in engaging any of these students, please contact them directly and make suitable arrangements. If you know pre-dental students who may be interested registering, encourage them to visit florididental.org/jumpstart to sign up and learn more about transforming their enthusiasm into expertise.

FREE ONLINE CE FOR FDA MEMBERS!

Diagnostic Discussion

BI-MONTHLY COLUMNS

FDA members can earn up to 6 hours of general continuing education (CE) by reading the Diagnostic Discussion column included in the bi-monthly *Today's FDA* and taking a quick online quiz.

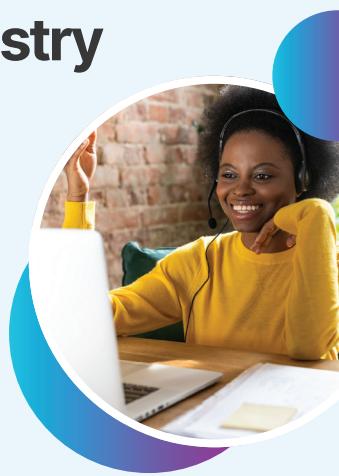
Discussions and quizzes are available 24 hours a day at the convenience of your home or office.

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WEBINAR SERIES

This webinar series is your opportunity to stay informed, grow your skills and earn up to 6 CE hours at no cost.

Webinar topics include implant restoration, peri-implant disease, systemic oral health, diagnostic advancements and more!



Learn more at www.florididental.org/online-ce

► ADA RELEASES MEDICAID FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY TOOLKIT

The ADA has released a new "Medicaid Financial Sustainability Toolkit" to help member dentists navigate the financial and operational challenges of treating Medicaid beneficiaries.

Developed by several ADA councils and informed by practicing dentists, the toolkit includes practical strategies, customizable templates and insights to support quality care and financial sustainability. This toolkit also centralizes access to every state's Medicaid fee-for-service schedule and is updated semiannually to save time and reduce administrative burden.

Visit ada.org/medicaidfinancialtoolkit to access the complete resource.



Life comes with challenges.

The FDA's Member Assistance Program is here to help.

Starting Jan. 1, 2025, FDA members have free, confidential access to AllOne Health's counseling and work/life services.

The Florida Dental Association's (FDA) Member Assistance Program (MAP) can help you reduce stress, improve mental health and make life easier by connecting you to the right information, resources and referrals.

All services are confidential and available to you and your household as an FDA member benefit. This includes access to short-term counseling and the wide range of services listed below:

Mental Health Sessions

Manage stress, anxiety and depression; resolve conflict, improve relationships and address personal issues. Choose from in-person sessions, video counseling or phone counseling.

Life Coaching

Reach personal and professional goals, manage life transitions, overcome obstacles, strengthen relationships and achieve greater balance.

Financial Consultation

Build financial wellness related to budgeting, buying a home, paying off debt, resolving general tax questions, preventing identity theft and saving for retirement or tuition.

Legal Referrals

Receive referrals for personal legal matters including estate planning, wills, real estate, bankruptcy, divorce, custody and more.

Work-Life Resources and Referrals

Obtain information and referrals when seeking childcare, adoption, special needs support, eldercare, housing, transportation, education and pet care.

Personal Assistant

Save time with referrals for travel and entertainment, professional services, cleaning services, home food delivery and managing everyday tasks.

Medical Advocacy

Get help navigating insurance, obtaining doctor referrals, securing medical equipment and planning for transitional care and discharge.

Member Portal

Access your benefits 24/7/365 through the member portal with online requests and chat options. Explore thousands of self-help tools and resources including articles, assessments, podcasts and resource locators.



No matter what the concern might be ... connect with AllOne Health. It is a great starting point to find appropriate resources, referrals, information and support. Simply pick up the phone and call: 800.788.8630 or login to www.encompass.us.com to access your services.

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Stay informed with updates on the education and event offerings for the Florida Dental Convention. You'll also find details about other continuing education events hosted by the FDA, including webinars, Women Inspire and Navigate Dentistry (WIND) and more.

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The FDA Foundation is the philanthropic and charitable organization for dentistry. Bringing together volunteer dentists, donors and community partners to serve the underserved and uninsured in Florida.

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