



Arizona
DENTAL HYGIENISTS'
ASSOCIATION



A Bright Beginning! Cheers to a New Year of Smiles and Success!

As we step into a brand-new year, we're filled with gratitude for the connections, achievements, and shared moments that make our dental community shine. May this year bring you fresh opportunities, rewarding successes, and the kind of fulfillment that leaves you beaming brighter than ever—just like the smiles you help create every day. Here's to a spectacular year ahead, filled with growth, inspiration, and endless possibilities!

ADVOCACY UPDATE



They're Back!

The 2025 Legislative Session officially begins on Monday, January 13th. Governor Hobbs will give her third State of the State address in a joint session of both chambers, which will outline her policy priorities for the session.

Our priority legislation this session is the passage of the Dentist and Dental Hygienist (DDH) Compact which aims to improve licensure portability. Representative Selina Bliss (Chair, House Health & Human Services) has agreed to sponsor it and is eager to get it introduced. The draft is being finalized with the Legislative Council (a statutory committee of the Legislature responsible for drafting bills), and we expect it will be introduced during the first week of session. We have been busy meeting with members of both the Health and Human Services Committees to brief them on the issue.

You can learn more about the DDH Compact [HERE](#). Be sure to explore the many resources available on that website.



Make Your Voice Heard - Sign Up for Request to Speak!

There's an easy way to quickly let legislators know your position on a particular bill - through the Request to Speak (RTS) Program. It is an online tool that lets anyone give Arizona state lawmakers feedback on bills. It's an easy way to get involved in state politics, stay informed on the bills that directly affect us, and make sure our elected officials honor the wishes of us, their constituents. Using the RTS program, you can simply give a thumbs up or down on a bill, write a short comment about a bill, or indicate that you would like to show up in person to speak during committee.

If you'd like to participate, [CLICK HERE](#) and fill out the form. Your Advocacy Team will create and enable an account for you then send you an email with instructions on how to get started. As the session is underway, it may take 5-7 business days to get your account enabled. Just remember that RTS accounts must be **enabled in-person, at the Capitol.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU USED THE RTS SYSTEM PREVIOUSLY, YOU DO NOT NEED A NEW ACCOUNT. If you can't remember your password, go to <https://apps.azleg.gov/Account/SignOn> and click "Forgot Your Password?"



NEW YEAR'S
RESOLUTION- BE
READY TO SAVE
LIVES? 

Basic Life Support (BLS)

FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS

Saturday
Feb 1st, 2025
8:30am-11am



\$35



PRESENTED BY SADHA

Basic Life Support for Healthcare Workers Enrollment

Ready to check something off your to-do list? Get your CPR card renewed!

SADHA is excited to present American Red Cross approved BLS for Healthcare Workers.

Saturday, Feb 1st 2025
8:30 am -11:00 am

Continental Ranch Community Center
8881 N Coachline Blvd, Tucson AZ 85743

REGISTRATION >>> [CLICK HERE](#)

**Renew your
connection to
a nationwide
network of
support.**



Let's stick together >

RENEW YOUR ADHA MEMBERSHIP

Keep your edge in 2025! Renew your ADHA membership and unlock another year of the best resources, continuing education, and networking opportunities available for dental hygienists.

Renew at mymembership.adha.org today! ♥

Join the Board



Become part of our vision and leadership for a brighter future!

Ready to make a difference and elevate your leadership journey? The AzDHA is calling *YOU* to join the 2025 Board of Directors! We have **4 open positions** offering an incredible opportunity to **shape the future of dental hygiene**, grow your professional network, and **amplify your voice** in our vibrant community. Whether you're passionate about advancing our profession or eager to develop new leadership skills, this is your chance to step up, inspire, and **lead with impact**.

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to make a difference! Contact Davy Evans for **DETAILS!** <<< click today!

The logo for the Arizona Oral Health Coalition (AZOHC) features the letters "AZOHC" in a bold, red font. The "O" is replaced by a green speech bubble icon. Below the letters, the words "Arizona Oral Health Coalition" are written in a smaller, black font.

**DAY AT THE CAPITOL
FOR ORAL HEALTH**

March 19, 2025 9am - 3pm

Capitol Day 2025 - Register by Feb 9

Come down to the Arizona Capitol on March 19th and talk to lawmakers face-to-face! We will provide the resources, guidance, swag, and lunch, while you provide lawmakers with information about why oral health is important.

[Register for Capitol Day!](#)

What is Capitol Day? All advocates are welcome to join this in-person event. On March 19th, you will be in a small group with other AZOHC advocates to meet with 1-3 Arizona lawmakers (usually the legislators representing the district you live in, but you might be put into additional groups based on turnout and lawmaker availability.) These meetings take about 10-15 minutes, and are a great opportunity to talk about community oral health issues.



Marissa Ferrin
Kimberly McCrady
Charmian Midkiff
Rachel Rodriguez
Valerie Ruiz
Crystal Villela
Emma Violante



Happy Birthday to All our Members with Birthdays in January

[\(Click here if your birthday should have been listed\)](#)

Emma Callanta
Sandra Courtes-Marin
Kelly Dahl
Marissa Ferrin
Ellen Gohike
Amy Ho
Marla Lowell
Tamara Maki

Charmian Midkiff
Rita Perry
Lynn Radler
Rachel Rodriguez
Valerie Ruiz
Crystal Villela
Reina Waggener

Do you have something to share with other AZDHA members,
contact Michelle Schwantes at michelle@amgoldman.com

Talk to us Today

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