Dental Category Day
Wednesday, June 26, 2024

07:45 - 08:00
Welcoming Remarks

08:00 - 08:50
Healthy People: Past, Present, and Future Directions
Dr. Gina Thornton-Evans, DDS, MPH

This presentation will highlight the Healthy People initiative from its inception in 1990 onward. The overarching goals of Healthy People 2030 are:

- Attain healthy, thriving lives and well-being free of preventable disease, disability, injury, and premature death.
- Eliminate health disparities, achieve health equity, and attain health literacy to improve the health and well-being of all.
- Create social, physical, and economic environments that promote attaining the full potential for health and well-being for all.
- Promote healthy development, healthy behaviors, and well-being across all life stages.
- Engage leadership, key constituents, and the public across multiple sectors to take action and design policies that improve the health and well-being of all.

The audience will learn about this initiative and how it aligns with the work that the dental category does on a daily basis. Finally, participants will learn about oral health as a leading health indicator for the nation, which focuses on access to dental services in the past year across the lifespan.

After attending this session, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the history of Healthy People and the authorizing legislation for this national initiative.
2. Recall the national oral health objectives and how they have evolved over time.
3. State current estimates for oral health objectives and the disparities by socioeconomic status.

08:50 - 09:00
Break
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**Advancing Oral Health: NIDCR-Sponsored Initiatives and Research Projects**
*Dr. Jennifer Webster-Cyriaque, DDS, PhD*

This presentation provides an overview of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) and its role in promoting oral health initiatives and research projects. It aims to highlight the importance of understanding NIDCR-sponsored initiatives in advancing oral health.

After attending this session, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) and its pivotal role in promoting oral health initiatives and research projects, thereby increasing awareness among stakeholders about the significance of NIDCR-sponsored efforts in advancing oral health practices.
2. Examine the recent key initiatives sponsored by NIDCR, including AIM, HEAL, PRIMED, AHEAD, IMPACT. This objective aims to equip attendees with insights into the metrics associated with NIDCR-sponsored initiatives.
3. Identify collaboration opportunities and outline future research areas within the field of oral health based on successful NIDCR-sponsored initiatives and research projects. By highlighting potential areas for collaboration among researchers, healthcare professionals, and community stakeholders, this objective aims to foster a collaborative environment conducive to advancing oral health research and practices.

09:50 - 10:00
**Break**

10:00 - 10:50
**Balance: How Leaders Can Shape Work/Life in 2024**
*CDR Tara Van Orden*

The workplace is changing, and today’s leaders must shift to respond to these changes. The panelists for this discussion are the top leaders in their organizations and they will provide tips on how managers can support, retain, and develop the contemporary workforce.

After attending this session, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the influence that a supervisor can have on managing the workload.
2. Examine the importance of belonging and its correlation with work/life balance.
3. Identify coping strategies to maintain work/life balance
2024 USPHS Symposium
Dental Category Agenda

11:00 - 13:00
Exclusive Exhibit Hall Time

Please join us in the Exhibit Hall to meet with our event Sponsors and Exhibitors.

13:00 - 14:00
Lunch

14:00 - 14:30
2024 USPHS Dental Category Awards Ceremony
DePAC Leadership

Presentation of Dental Category Awards

After attending this session, participants will be able to:
1. List the officers in the dental category given awards for outstanding service.
2. Describe the dental category awards.
3. Name the new award for the dental hygiene group to be awarded at 2025 Dental Category day.

14:30 - 15:20
Esthetic Dentistry: A Case Presentation
LCDR Ian Daulton, DDS, United States Navy

A presentation of one or more esthetic cases with a review of classic and contemporary literature on esthetic dentistry.

After attending this session, participants will be able to:
1. Recognize critical features in facial analysis as it pertains to esthetic dentistry.
2. Recognize dentolabial relationships and phonetic analysis in treatment planning
3. Define white and pink esthetics to guide treatment execution.

15:20 - 15:30
Break

15:30 - 16:20
Cultural Competency, Diversity and Inclusion
Kari Carter-Cherelus, RDH, DA

Cultural sensitivity and diversity are more than buzzwords often heard on the daily news. The knowledge and implementation of cultural sensitivity and diversity awareness are crucial to
successfully caring for others within our society. As healthcare providers, it is imperative that we develop cultural sensitivity as we service diverse populations. Our patients rely upon us to care for their various health care needs in a way that makes them feel seen and heard. Culturally sensitive organizations increase their ability to retain team members who feel supported and respected, when it is evident that they respect the diversity of both the team members as well as the patients.

After attending this session, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the importance of being both culturally aware and diversely aware.
2. Describe the importance of being both culturally aware and diversely aware.
3. Describe the importance of actively removing different barriers that limit or prohibit diverse populations from attaining healthcare.

16:20 - 16:30

Break

16:30 - 17:00

Guidelines, Resources and Recommendations for Recruiting

LCDR Traci Elison, DDS

Gain valuable information recruiting for the dental category! Learn where to get information and guidelines regarding recruitment so you can be prepared to present or share information about joining the PHS dental category.

After attending this session, participants will be able to:
1. Recall where you can gather information about dental category recruiting.
2. List two agencies that employ USPHS dentists.
3. Describe existing guidelines regarding recruiting.

17:00 - 17:15

Closing Remarks