

Report to the Canadian Dental Association (CDA) April 12, 2019

Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, Ontario

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to report to you. I am Dr. Frank Hohn and I am President of the Canadian Dental Specialties Association and current representative of the Canadian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CAOMS) to the CDSA. At our Annual General Meeting on April 11th, 2019 I will become Immediate Past President and Dr. Christina McCord will be installed as the new President. I will have also fulfilled my obligations as the CAOMS representative and the new representative will be Dr. Catherine Dale. I am confident that these two individuals will do a great job.

The CDSA is the National voice of specialists at CDA and CDSA developed as a replacement for COSA at the CDA level. CDSA has been around for several years and was incorporated on February 4, 2011. Many of you may not know this but there are actually two CDSA's. The first one is an acronym for the Canadian Dental Society of Anesthesia and the second one is the one that I have represented and we are an incorporated entity and registered as a not for profit organization. As you know, there are nine recognized specialties in Canada and each specialty has a member at the table of CDSA. Dues are collected from each organization yearly and I have included a list of the current Board members in your resources.

The people that really led the charge to create the organization were Dr. Christopher Robinson, Dr. Lee McFadden and Dr. John Perry. I was fortunate to be at the very first meeting and I have been to every meeting since. We believe we have some challenges promoting each of the specialties at a National level and within themselves. One of the challenges is with the Dental Anesthesia Specialty that exists in Ontario. A second challenge is the changing landscape surrounding the recognition of specialties in Canada. A third challenge for us at CDSA relates to some of the smaller specialties with so few members, that simply getting someone to represent that specialty is a challenge. Whether that is the sitting President or the Past President is up for debate. Some of the smaller specialties include Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology and Dental Public Health. In contrast, Orthodontics and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery has plenty of manpower and as such, representation at a National level is not typically a problem. In terms of affiliations, CDSA Board of Directors meets with the CDA Board of Directors every year at this time and that has been a very successful working relationship. The CDA has been very supportive, both philosophically and financially over the years and this has resulted in a very good working relationship.



CDSA Board of Directors for 2019-20 is presented below.

CDSA Board Member	Specialty	CDSA Executive Position
Dr. Christina McCord	Canadian Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Oral Medicine	President
Dr. Carlos Quiñonez	Canadian Association of Public Health Dentistry	Vice-President
Dr. Paul Andrews	Canadian Academy of Pediatric Dentistry	Secretary-Treasurer
Dr. Frank Hohn	Canadian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons	Immediate Past-President
Dr. Catherine Dale	Canadian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons	
Dr. Jean-Pierre Picard	Canadian Academy of Periodontology	
Dr. Caroline Nguyen	Association of Prosthodontists of Canada	
Dr. Suzanne Perschbacher	Canadian Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology	
Dr. Gerald Philippon	Canadian Association of Orthodontists	
Dr. Kevin Calzonetti	Canadian Academy of Endodontics	

Respectfully submitted,

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President

