

2023-2024 MEMBER BENEFITS GUIDE



Tennessee
DENTAL ASSOCIATION



We're Here for You... Always

Dear Members of the Tennessee Dental Association:

Welcome to the TDA Member Benefits Guide—a comprehensive resource showcasing benefits tailored to meet your needs.

Through your membership, you have access to a diverse range of resources and opportunities. From quality continuing education courses to our various publications that keep you informed, we are dedicated to providing the tools you need to thrive in your dental career.

Our community extends beyond professional development. It is a place where friendships are formed and camaraderie abounds. We encourage you to take full advantage of the exclusive benefits available to you, including discounts on products and services, access to a vast network of like-minded professionals, and the opportunity to connect at our annual Music City Dental Conference—an event that celebrates our collective achievements and the future of dentistry in Tennessee.



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2023-2024 TDA President



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2023-24 President Elect



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TDA Executive Director

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Continuing Education **ADA CERP**[®] Continuing Education Recognition Program

The TDA is dedicated to delivering continuing education (CE) courses that empower dentists and dental team members to excel in their practice. Our carefully curated courses provide opportunities to enhance and refine your skills, expand your knowledge, and stay updated on technological advancements.

Music City Dental Conference

Join us for our annual meeting! Expect CE courses for the entire dental team, opportunities to connect with colleagues, a lively exhibit hall and more. See page 10 for more information.



TDA CE On-Demand

Our catalog of online continuing education courses allow you to obtain CERP approved credit hours on your own schedule at a reasonable price.



Local Dental Society Courses

Stay informed about upcoming events close to home by reaching out to your local component society for a detailed schedule of meetings and topics.

Online CE Tracking

TDA members receive ACE/CE tracking & reporting as a member benefit. Use the ACE system to track your continuing education hours.





publications

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Membership in the TDA ensures that you are equipped with quality resources to support your professional growth, enhance your knowledge, and stay abreast of the latest developments in dentistry. Stay informed and connected with our email communications, bimonthly newsletter, member-focused social media, and more.

Digital Newsletter

Delivered directly to your inbox six times a year, *TDA News* offers a comprehensive coverage of dentistry-specific updates, member-specific news, regulatory compliance, employment practices, dental benefits, and continuing education opportunities.

Weekly e-News Bulletin

Every week, the TDA delivers a news bulletin via email with essential updates, timely dentistry news, upcoming events, and more.

TDA Legislative Report

Stay informed and engaged with our advocacy efforts as we make a difference in dentistry. Weekly legislative updates are delivered via email for the duration of Tennessee General Assembly sessions.

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STAY CONNECTED

with us

Our weekly e-news bulletin delivers numerous alerts, ensuring members stay up-to-date with the latest developments at the local, state, and national levels. To be included in our mailing list or to update your email address, simply reach out to us at tda@tndental.org. We'll make sure you stay connected!

If you haven't been receiving emails from the TDA, please take a moment to check your spam or junk mail folder. To ensure you receive our updates directly to your inbox, please mark tda@tndental.org as a safe sender.

STAY SMILING

join us online

Join our vibrant online community! Stay connected through our engaging social media channels. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and YouTube for timely updates, resources, and member spotlights. Connect with fellow members, share experiences, and tap into a growing supportive network.

Click the icons below — become part of our social media community today!



ADVOCACY AMPLIFIED

for positive change

Effective legislative advocacy is a critical pillar of organized dentistry. At the Tennessee Dental Association, our dedicated lobbyists work to ensure that the voice of dentistry resonates during crucial policy negotiations. We vigilantly monitor and track state legislation, promoting and safeguarding the best interests of dentistry and oral health.

Tennessee Dental PAC

The Tennessee Dental PAC serves as the non-partisan political action committee of the TDA. Generous contributions from members play an important role in empowering effective advocacy efforts. Thanks to your support, the TDA ensures dentistry is fairly represented during significant policy negotiations.

Capitol Club

Join the Capitol Club and make an impact on dentistry's legislative front. By contributing \$150 or more, you become a valued Capitol Club member, supporting the TDA's vital legislative work. Donate today to help shape the decisions that directly affect you, your patients, and your practice.



Dental PAC
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE



CAPITOL CLUB
TENNESSEE DENTAL PAC



GRASSROOTS EFFORTS

strengthening dentistry

We are proud to foster a growing grassroots network of dentists who actively engage in advocacy efforts at the State Capitol. We believe in amplifying our members' voices to influence critical public policy issues that directly impact the dental profession. Join us today and help shape the future of dentistry in Tennessee.

Legislative Contact Dentists

Building personal relationships with lawmakers is vital to protect and promote dentistry. We aim to pair each state legislator with one or more dedicated TDA legislative contact dentists.

As a contact dentist, you play a pivotal role in educating and advocating for dentistry. Besides offering insights on key issues, you are called upon to explain dental concerns and the impact of legislation to lawmakers. To participate as a legislative contact dentist, please contact the TDA office.

Your Voice Matters

Join the TDA Advocacy Action Center to stay informed and take action on critical public policy issues. Through this platform, we send out alerts, provide updates on legislative events, and empower our members to contact their legislators. Register today to receive timely updates, learn more about advocacy issues, and opt in for text alerts on petitions.

SIGN UP



ADD YOUR VOICE TO THE CONVERSATION

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TDA Governance

House of Delegates

The House of Delegates is the legislative and governing body of the Tennessee Dental Association. There are 68 members of the House of Delegates designated annually by the nine component societies constituting the Association, plus two dental students. The allocation of delegates to the component societies is made proportionately based on membership. The House meets once per year.

Councils & Committees

Councils and Committees of the TDA explore matters more in depth than is possible for the Board of Trustees. Councils and committees draw members together from different parts of the state with relevant expertise to research issues and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees is the administrative body of the Tennessee Dental Association and has fiduciary responsibility for the governance and strategic direction of the TDA. The Board is composed of one trustee from each of the TDA's nine component societies, a new dentist representative, and eight officers elected by the House of Delegates.

ADA Sixth District

The TDA is a state constituent society of the American Dental Association. Tennessee is in the Sixth District of the ADA, along with Missouri, Kentucky, and West Virginia.

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Insurance AGENCY, INC.

As the exclusive insurance plan administrator for the Tennessee Dental Association, the TDA Insurance Agency meets your needs with a wide range of attractive coverage options at competitive rates for valued TDA members.

TDA Member BCBST Health Plan

Exclusive to TDA Insurance Agency, our association-sponsored group health plan offers members savings similar to larger organizations, enabling better control of healthcare costs.

Life Insurance

Rest easy knowing that unforeseen circumstances will not jeopardize your financial stability with our life insurance plans.

Workers' Compensation

Employers are responsible for employee injuries on the job. TDAIA has access to A-rated carriers offering insurance coverage and discounted group rates for TDA members.

Disability Insurance

Explore our range of individual and group disability insurance plans designed to protect your income in the event of disability. Find peace of mind by protecting your financial stability.

Cyber Liability

Protect your practice effortlessly with our comprehensive cyber liability insurance policy, covering breach expenses, data recovery, legal fees, and more.

Other Insurance Plans

From pet insurance to auto to telemedicine plans, TDAIA is a full-service agency that can meet all your insurance needs. Learn more by visiting tdainsurance.com or calling 800.347.1109.



Quality Insurance Plans for You and Your Practice



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or visit tdainsurance.com



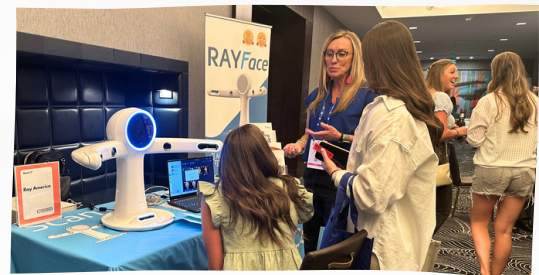
MUSIC CITY DENTAL CONFERENCE

LEARN. GROW. CONNECT.

MAY 30 - JUNE 1 2024

Join us at the Music City Dental Conference, held at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel from May 30 - June 1, 2024. This annual event presented by the TDA brings together dental professionals from across the country in the vibrant heart of downtown Nashville. Elevate your skills, expand your network, and be part of a thriving community passionate about advancing dentistry.

From captivating continuing education courses delivered by industry leaders to interactive workshops and informative exhibits, MCDC promises a unique and engaging experience. Immerse yourself in this inspiring gathering where innovation, collaboration, and professional growth take center stage.

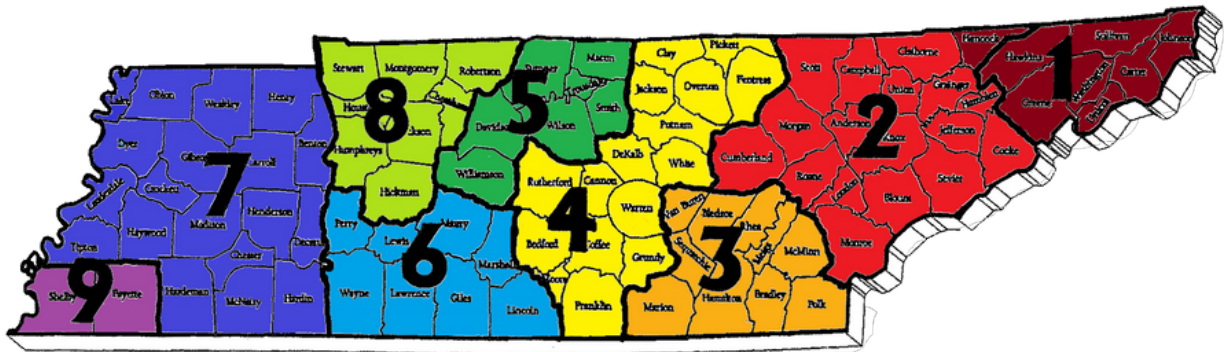


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Local Dental Societies

Membership in the TDA connects you to a tripartite membership structure including the ADA at the national level and local dental societies. Within your local dental society, you'll discover opportunities to connect with peers, engage in meaningful community volunteer work, and earn continuing education (CE) credits close to home.



First District Dental Society

Counties: Carter, Greene, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, Washington

Executive Secretary: Savannah Bolick

Phone: (423) 552-0222

Email: firstdistrictdental@gmail.com

Website: firstdistrictdentalsociety.com

Second District Dental Society

Counties: Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Claiborne, Cocke, Cumberland, Grainger, Hamblen, Hancock, Jefferson, Knox, Loudon, Monroe, Morgan, Roane, Scott, Sevier, Union

Executive Director: Allison Rhodes

Phone: (865) 919-6464

Email: sddsoffice@gmail.com

Website: seconddistrictsociety.com

Chattanooga Area Dental Society

Counties: Bledsoe, Bradley, Grundy, Hamilton, Marion, Meigs, McMinn, Polk, Rhea, Sequatchie, Van Buren

Executive Director: Lacey Heftka

Phone: (423) 886-9191

Email: info@chattareadent.com

Website: chattanoogaareadentalsociety.com

Fourth District Dental Society

Counties: Bedford, Cannon, Clay, Coffee, DeKalb, Fentress, Franklin, Jackson, Moore, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Rutherford, Warren, White

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Local Dental Societies

Nashville Dental Society

Counties: Davidson, Macon, Smith, Sumner, Trousdale, Wilson, Williamson

Executive Director: Kristen Stewart

Phone: (615) 628-3300

Email: director@nashvilledental.org

Website: nashvilledental.org

Sixth District Dental Society

Counties: Giles, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Marshall, Maury, Perry, Wayne

Seventh District Dental Society

Counties: Benton, Carroll, Chester, Crockett, Decatur, Dyer, Gibson, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry, Lake, Lauderdale, Madison, McNairy, Obion, Tipton, Weakley

Eighth District Dental Society

Counties: Cheatham, Dickson, Hickman, Houston, Humphreys, Montgomery, Robertson, Stewart

Executive Director: Ruby Batson

Phone: (931) 245-3333

Email: ruby@clarksvillepediatricdentistry.com

Memphis Dental Society

Counties: Fayette, Shelby

Executive Director: Delaney Williams

Phone: (901) 682-4928

Email: dwilliams@memphisdentalsociety.org

Website: memphisdentalsociety.org

Connect. Learn. Thrive.
Get involved with your local dental society today!



DISCOVER YOUR PATH TO CAREER SUCCESS

with the TDA Career Center

Whether you're a dental professional seeking exciting opportunities or an employer in search of qualified candidates, the TDA Career Center is your go-to resource. With our user-friendly platform, you can easily find your dream job or ideal team member. Gain access to a vast talent pool, filter applicants efficiently, and explore additional career resources. Get started today!

Job Seekers

- Search and apply to hundreds of jobs using detailed filters.
- Quickly configure job alerts to deliver straight to your inbox.
- Receive a free evaluation of your resume.

Employers

- Post your job openings.
- Promote jobs directly to candidates via Job Flash emails.
- Manage posted jobs and applicant activity easily through the user-friendly website.

GET STARTED





Mission Statement

To strengthen oral health of the communities we serve through support of philanthropic initiatives.

Now in existence for more than 60 years, the Tennessee Dental Association Foundation (TDAF) continues to promote dental health programs and education, educate the public about dentistry, fund dental scholarships, and support dental research and organizations. To meet this mission the TDAF relies on the generosity of our dental community.

TDA Dental Relief Fund

This fund, provided by dentists, for dentists, is available to all practitioners and their families in the event of devastating illness or death. If you are aware of any colleagues or their spouses who need assistance from the Relief Fund, please contact the TDA office.

Make A Difference

The work of the TDAF would not be possible without the assistance and commitment of individuals like you. Your tax-deductible donation will make a difference in communities across the state by allowing us to continue in our work to improve oral health.

Your Support
makes a difference



PRACTICE MANAGEMENT

resources

Peer Review

TDA members have access to peer review, which assists in resolving disputes related to dental services. In its simplest terms, peer review is a system by which the dental profession demonstrates commitment to the appropriateness and quality of the care it renders.

TDA Staff

Connecting you with resources and assistance is our top priority. Whether you have questions or need more information, the TDA team is here for you. Reach out via phone or email and we will assist as soon as possible.

Phone: 615-628-0208

Email: tda@tndental.org

Contract Analysis

The ADA's free contract analysis service helps dental professionals evaluate provider contracts to make informed decisions. To use the service, submit a copy of the unsigned contract and an analysis request through the TDA office prior to signing the contract. [Learn more.](#)

Find-A-Dentist

Millions of people have used ADA Find-A-Dentist® to find oral care providers in their communities. TDA members are automatically set up with a basic profile. Log in to MyADA to add more details that will help new patients. Find-A-Dentist is part of a long-term campaign to bring more patients to you. [Learn more.](#)



More to Explore
through the ADA

[Learn More](#)



services

MEMBERS-ONLY BENEFITS

TDA Services offers members exclusive deals and discounts on a wide range of products and services. It's your go-to resource for professional practice, personal life, and home needs. By leveraging our partnerships, you not only save money but also help us provide additional member benefits. Be sure to mention your TDA membership when contacting these companies. Start saving now!

- **ADA Credit Cards**
Exclusively endorsed for ADA members.
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Waiting room entertainment.
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- **AHI Travel**
Guided tours across the globe.
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- **Bank of America Practice Solutions**
Endorsed practice finance provider.
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- **Best Card**
Credit card merchant processing services.
[Learn More](#)
- **Bento**
A modern alternative to dental benefits.
[Learn More](#)
- **CareCredit**
Patient payment plans.
[Learn More](#)
- **ClassPass**
Fitness options to get you moving.
[Learn More](#)
- **Cyacom**
Interpretation and translation services.
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- **D-MMEX Easyrefine**
Scrap metal recovery program.
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- **GE Appliances**
Savings on select GE appliances.
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- **HealthFirst**
Emergency medical kits.
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- **HealthFirst**
Sharps management.
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- **On-Pay**
Payroll solutions and more.
[Learn More](#)
- **Lands' End Business**
Customized apparel for you and your staff.
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- **PBHS**
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- **Laurel Road**
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- **PBHS Secure Mail**
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- **Lenovo**
PC products and accessories.
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Personal & business insurance plans.
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Malpractice insurance.
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Savings on sustainable vehicles.
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Maximize Membership Value
with exclusive deals & discounts



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EMPOWERING the next generation

Whether you're an aspiring dental student or a new dentist, we are here to support you and your professional growth. The TDA is your trusted partner in navigating the exciting challenges and opportunities that lie ahead in your career.

New Dentists

Malpractice Insurance

New graduates, when you join, TDA will pay your first 12 months of professional liability coverage through Medical Protective Company, the endorsed carrier of the TDA. Application must be made in the first six months after graduation. *Restrictions may apply.*

New Dentist Committee

This committee focuses on understanding the unique needs and concerns of early-career dentists and students. The committee ensures that the TDA effectively serves the needs of our newest members.

New Dentist Events

Network with your colleagues at events across the state.

Students

Annual Meeting

Students attend CE courses free at the Music City Dental Conference! Connect with your peers at Tennessee's largest dental meeting. See page 10.

On-Campus Programming

The TDA travels to dental schools across the state to engage with students and present programs to help you step into your career and thrive. TDA and TDA Insurance Agency support ASDA chapter events across the state!

Representation

Students from each dental school have a voice and representation in the TDA House of Delegates.



American Dental Association



Your tripartite membership connects you to a wealth of resources offered by the American Dental Association.

ADA Website

The ADA website provides access to the ADA Member Center, advocacy news, ADA publications, education and career information, and more.

JADA and ADA News

The Journal of the American Dental Association (JADA) is the nation's premier dental journal - a reliable, peer-reviewed source of information on dentistry and dental science. ADA News serves the dental profession by providing information on the benefits and services offered by the ADA.

Credentialing Service

The ADA credentialing service, powered by CAQH ProView® is a digital solution to streamline the credentialing process.

ADA Practice Transitions (ADAPT)

ADA Practice Transitions™ supports the future of dentistry by helping dentists buy or sell a practice, hire an associate, or find a job.

ADA Store

The ADA store features products to help you succeed in your practice. Visit ebusiness.ada.org to find professional resources, personalized products, patient education materials and more.

MouthHealthy™

As the ADA public-facing website, MouthHealthy.org features patient-friendly information and resources on various dental topics, symptoms, dental visits, the ADA seal program and more.



ADA MEMBERSHIP DELIVERS

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GET INVOLVED

volunteer with us

At the Tennessee Dental Association, we believe in the power of giving back and supporting those in need. As a member, you have the chance to contribute your skills, expertise, and compassion to impactful initiatives. See below for a few suggestions of ways you can get involved.

Quick & Easy Opportunities

- Participate in a charitable care event
- Host at a CE meeting
- Attend component meeting with a legislator
- Review a new member resource

Short-term Opportunities

- Participate in a focus group or brainstorming meeting
- Become a spokesperson for water fluoridation in your area

Ongoing Opportunities

- Serve on a TDA committee or the Board of Trustees
- Serve on a committee or board for a related organization



Together
we thrive



TDA Board of Trustees 2023-2024



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Trustee Chattanooga Area



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Trustee Nashville



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Trustee Seventh District



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Trustee Eighth District



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of East TN



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of Middle TN



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of West TN



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Immediate Past President



Brooklin Byrd
New Dentist Committee



John Petty
Speaker of the House
of Delegates

TDA EXECUTIVE office staff

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Tennessee Board of Dentistry
(615) 532-5073

Tennessee Department of Health
(615) 741-3011

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