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MEETING NOTICE

DENTAL ASSISTANT WORKFORCE SHORTAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (DAWSAC)

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ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION (not an in person meeting)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82908123440?pwd=faQFUwgJQ7r3eGlzqNv6ikva72Abd8.1>

Dial-In Phone #: 1-253-215-8782 • Meeting ID: 829 0812 3440 • Passcode: 509175

**July 17, 2024
6 pm – 7:30 pm**

Committee Members:

Co-Chair, Ginny Jorgensen
Co-Chair, Terrence Clark, DMD
Amberena Fairlee, DMD - ODA Rep.
Laura Vanderwerf, RDH - ODHA Rep.
Jill Lomax - ODAA Rep.
Kari Ann Kuntzelman, DT - DT Rep.

Lynn Murray
Terri Dean
Alexandria Case
Jessica Andrews
Gail Wilkerson
Alyssa Kobylinsky
Amanda Nash

AGENDA

Call to Order: Ginny Jorgensen, Chair

1. Review & Approve Minutes of May 15, 2024 DAWSAC Meeting
 - Meeting Minutes – **Attachment #1**
2. Review HB 3223 and information regarding formation of this Committee.
 - Information & HB 3223 – **Attachment #2**
3. Summary of DAWSAC work through first three meetings. Summary of work from the three previous DAWSAC Meetings. The committee has accomplished the following tasks: Shared ideas to address the shortage and personal anecdotes Provided helpful and interesting articles to give the group a greater basis and understanding of factors influencing the shortage Identified key areas they believe are influencing the shortage; including, but not limited to: rising dental assistant wages and inflation, lack of community resources promoting the profession, lack of awareness about the profession, recruitment and retention, making the profession more appealing, recruiting in high school and colleges.
4. Update from OBD Executive Director on what the OBD can do to support the DA workforce and address barriers to DA – **Attachment #3**
5. Financial Impact of Dental Assistants – **Attachment #4**

6. Lynn Murray email and attachment on financial support available – **Attachment #5**
7. Jill Lomax Proposal – **Attachment #6**
8. Alexandria Case Proposal – Enhancing Dental Care Through Mandatory Registration of Dental Assistants – **Attachment #7**
9. Jessica Andrews email and information– **Attachment #8**
10. Open Discussion on issues
11. Discuss dates of next DAWSAC meetings: November 13, 2024 and January 29, 2025

Open Comment - may be limited by the Chair due to time constraints as this meeting ends at 7:30 pm.

Adjourn