

CANADIAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

ADVOCACY



PRACTICE SUPPORT
SERVICES



KNOWLEDGE



INSURANCE
& INVESTMENT
SOLUTIONS



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CONNECTEDNESS



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YOUR CDA MEMBERSHIP
GOES A LONG WAY

CDA Membership Benefits



Practice Support Services

- **CDAnet and CDA ITRANS 2.0 Claims Service** — a secure and efficient way to send e-claims to claims processors on behalf of your patients. It's convenient, secure and saves time!
 - ✓ Cuts the wait time for patients to receive reimbursements from weeks to days.
 - ✓ Know the exact patient portion to collect at the appointments (after accepting assignment of benefits).
 - ✓ Electronically receive information about a patient's eligibility for coverage, required pre-determinations, claim errors, and more.
- **CDA Secure Send** — an easy and secure electronic messaging service that allows dentists to send patient information (such as X-rays) to any email address.
 - ✓ Ensures privacy obligations for electronic transmission of patient information.
 - ✓ CDA Secure Send mobile app. Use Secure Send from your IOS or Android device.
- **Get expert technical support**, available from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST. Call toll-free 1-866-788-1212.



Advocacy: Political influence that protects, promotes and advances the dental profession

CDA, along with the Provincial and Territorial Dental Associations (PTDAs), have been actively advocating for improvements to the Canadian Dental Care Plan. Our efforts have led to several achievements, including:

- **Prevention of Unilateral Changes to Terms and Conditions** — The government agreed to not make unilateral changes to the CDCP terms and conditions without consulting dental associations, protecting dentists from unexpected changes.
- **Base Coverage Increased** — Significant improvements have been made to the initial base coverage proposed for the CDCP. As a direct result of our advocacy, more treatments and procedures are now accessible.
- **Balance Billing** — We successfully advocated for balance billing in the CDCP's terms and conditions. This allows dentists to bill patients for the difference between the plan's coverage and the actual cost of services.
- **Removal of Registration Requirement** — Through our efforts, the federal government announced an alternative pathway that removes the registration requirement for dentists.



Knowledge

- **CDA Essentials** — published on a bi-monthly basis, CDA's magazine provides dialogue between the national association and the dental community, and is dedicated to keeping dentists informed about news, issues, and clinically relevant information. Available in English and French.
- **Journal of the Canadian Dental Association (JCDA.ca)** — Canada's only peer-reviewed dental journal, JCDA.ca is an open access publication that publishes original research articles indexed in Medline, Journal Citation Reports and Science Citation Index.
- **CDA Oasis** — a podcast and video interview platform where you can stay up to date about clinical matters, issues and technology impacting the dental profession.
- **CDA Newsletter** — A weekly digital newsletter that features items from all CDA's communications vehicles/publications, including videos and web posts, journal and magazine articles, and updates from our website and social media channels in one convenient location.



Community and Connectedness

CDA has the unique privilege and opportunity to bring together subject matter experts to discuss clinical and practice issues facing the profession. Through its many committees, working groups and involvement with international bodies, CDA:

- collects, analyzes, and communicates information to help dentists make informed decisions about the delivery of patient care;
- strengthens and promotes idea sharing to the benefit of the profession; and
- produces Position Statements, which include background information and evidence-based support on a range of issues affecting oral health and the practice of dentistry.



CDA Membership Benefits



Exclusive access to insurance and investment solutions from our financial services partner, CDSPI

CDSPI is a not-for-profit financial services organization that operates under the governance of CDA and participating provincial and territorial dental associations to support Canadian dentists.

Association Members get exclusive access to:

- Private wealth management, a suite of low-fee, top-tier investment funds and one-on-one, no-cost financial planning services from experts at CDSPI Advisory Services Inc.
- The Members' Assistance Program (MAP) — a free, confidential health and wellness service sponsored by CDSPI and provided by LifeWorks.
- Special group rates for insurance programs including life, disability, travel and office insurance.

Visit www.cdspi.com or call 1-800-561-9401.



Be affiliated with prestige CDA programs and resources

- The **CDA Seal Program** independently validates specific oral health benefit claims made by the manufacturer of an oral health product. The CDA Seal provides reassurance that a specific oral health product can improve an individual's oral health in the ways claimed by the manufacturer. The CDA Seal celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2022.
- The **Dental Aptitude Test (DAT) Program** is provided by CDA to assist dental schools in selecting first-year students. Dental schools use scores from the DAT in making admissions decisions.
- **CDA hosts ISO/TC 106**, the international secretariat for the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) technical committee for dentistry (ISO/TC 106) which helps ensure that Canadian dental experts have a voice in creating international standards that contribute to improved global health.
- **CDA's Dental Career Options website**, (dentalcareeroptions.ca) is dedicated to helping dental students and early practicing dentists fully understand the career options that are available to them throughout their professional lives.