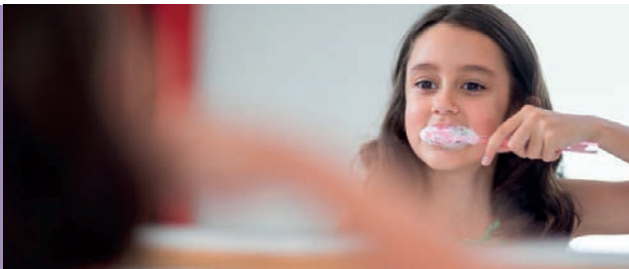
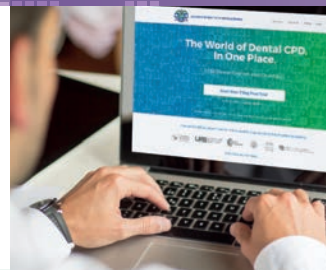




ADI
The Academy
of Dentistry
International

Sharing Knowledge – Serving People

Sustainable | Innovative | Effective



The background features a faint, purple-toned logo. At the top is a laurel wreath. Below it is a globe with latitude and longitude lines. At the bottom, two banners wrap around the globe, containing the text 'Academy of' on the left and 'International' on the right. The central text is overlaid on the globe.

**SHARING KNOWLEDGE
OF ORAL HEALTH TO IMPROVE
THE QUALITY OF LIFE
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

Academy of

International

A large group of smiling children in school uniforms, with a woman in the foreground smiling and making a peace sign. The children are of various ethnicities and are all looking towards the camera with joyful expressions. The woman in the foreground is also smiling and making a peace sign. The background is filled with more children, some of whom are also making peace signs. The overall atmosphere is one of happiness and community.

Our mission statement

The Academy of Dentistry International is the international honor society for dentists dedicated to sharing knowledge in order to serve dental health needs and to improve the quality of life for people throughout the world.

Through the development of fellowship and understanding, the Academy endeavors to create opportunities for service in order to assist in the establishment of world peace.

Happy kids after receiving a toothbrush, Negros, the Philippines

Who we are

The Academy of Dentistry International

The Academy of Dentistry International is the concept of Albert Wasserman, DDS, of San Mateo, California, U.S.A.

This global organization is devoted to the advancement of oral health throughout the world and to the elevation of oral standards by continuing education. Along with the sponsorship of dental education, research, and patient care projects, this Academy directly aids in the improvement of oral health, which is essential for overall health, and the well-being of people worldwide.

This international, honorific Academy for dentists, dedicated to sharing knowledge and worldwide fellowship, officially began on October 17, 1974. It is incorporated as a nonprofit organization in the State of California.

The Academy of Dentistry International is an honor society, dedicated to advancing the science and art of dentistry for the improvement of the oral health and quality of life for citizens of every nation. To achieve this, it stimulates and promotes research, education, and service projects for the health and welfare of the underprivileged, underserved people of the world.



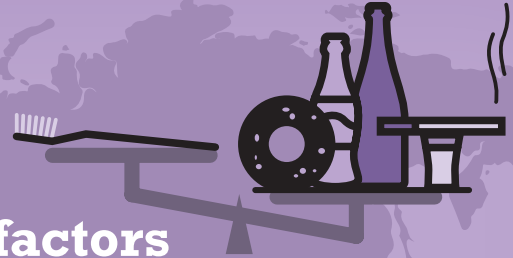
Dr. Albert Wasserman,
Founder



Tips for better oral / dental health,
volunteers in Guatemala



More than
3,400 fellows
in more than
86 nations



Risk factors

for oral disease include an unhealthy diet
- particularly one rich in sugar -
tobacco use, harmful alcohol use and poor oral hygiene.

Untreated decay
in adults,



rank

severe
periodontal
disease



6th

and
untreated decay
in children



10th

respectively among over 300 diseases and conditions across

the globe. **This amounts to 3.5 billion people suffering.**



Direct and indirect costs
of dental disease
are estimated to be

**US\$ 440 billion
per year.**

Our objectives and purpose

ADI differentiates itself by its advocacy of **sustainable oral health concepts** adopted by the United Nations, FDI World Dental Federation, and the World Health Organization.

We believe in working with the communities to build long term relationships that can provide sustainable programs in both **health and education**.

Training and practicing SM(ART) preventive restoration in young children in field setting at day care center, Myanmar



The following principles and ideals are jointly adopted as a means to attain these goals.

A To seek financial and administrative support for providing preventive education and oral health services for the underserved, without fear, or favor.

B Establishment of long term sustainable programs in remote destinations where patients of all ages have only restricted or no access to regular oral health care.

C Support local delivery of oral health care services to underserved communities around the world with professional expertise.

D Maximize volunteer expertise and prominence to disseminate best practices experiences of executed projects.

E Ensure measured results and investment longevity through documentation of board review procedures.

F Encourage participation of ADI member sections and regents through media, website, and newsletter announcement about decisions of ADI Foundation.

G To advance the science and art of oral health for the general overall health and welfare of the people of the world.

H To encourage, stimulate, and promote research in oral health on all levels measuring the impact of the United Nations, ECOSOC Sustainable Development Goals.

I To encourage, stimulate, and promote service projects for the health and welfare of the people of the world.

J To promote the international exchange of information, culture and concepts in compliance with the United Nations principles.

K To promote continuing education for all dentists for the continued betterment of oral health care.



Our voice is heard at the United Nations

The Academy of Dentistry International has an elevated position to promote oral health topics. Since 2015, the ADI is an officially affiliated NGO in the area of oral health recognized by the United Nations (UN). Our daily work is strongly linked to the Sustainable Development Goals of the UN.

The mission statement of the ADI encompasses several key convictions which are aligned with UN goals: sharing knowledge; development of understanding; opportunities for service; establishment of a world at peace; service to public, country, community and mankind.

Many fellows bring these intentions to life through volunteer work and oral health projects serving communities in need. With representation at the UN and its other affiliated NGOs, the ADI can address member states and all NGOs directly.

This enables us to highlight the importance of oral health. It is about much more than just beautiful teeth: oral health is an essential component of general health. Health projects that do not include oral health will always come up short in creating healthy communities. Healthy teeth help to avoid disease. They save lives. Our collaboration with other NGOs assists in promoting this holistic approach.

You can also support this important work through donations or with your voluntary commitment. Get involved!



ADI supports the Sustainable Development Goals.

Help for people in need:

On October 12, 2016 residents of Roseau, Haiti, received access to clean water again after Hurricane Matthew devastated their hometown.

This would not have been possible without the help of UNICEF and its NGO partners. UNICEF delivered blankets, buckets, water purifying equipment and cholera diagnostic kits.

In such cases, the reinforcement of good hygiene practices is a key factor in saving lives.

CLEAN WATER
AND SANITATION





938
courses
for free

2,159
dental
courses





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Our educational portal on the ADI website adint.org

Dentist education from experts and education institutions around the world

The ADI is pleased to offer its members a new education service in conjunction with the World Continuing Education Alliance.

This global solution to Continuing Education offers ADI members

access to the largest resource of continuing dental education in the world. The global education network has over 2,000 continuing education courses from over 80 CE educators, with new education content added

every week. Online studying made simple: ADI members can study online from a wide range of CE short courses according to their needs. A large number of courses are available for free, with others available at a cost.

Free Education Tracker

ADI members are provided with a free Education Tracker which automatically records all learning activity on the portal and enables members to record all other CE

activities, thereby creating one central record of their CE studies. Summary reports can be created and supplied to legislators.



worldwide access

over **80**
CE
educators

Become a member/volunteer

in one of our ADI projects

Our humanitarian service

Since its inception in 1974, the Academy has accepted the social responsibility of utilizing its expertise and limited funding to provide education and dental care for those within the world where assistance is needed most. By the support and sponsorship of special educational and service projects, the Academy fulfills its social responsibility and directly contributes to the improvement of oral health and the well-being of people worldwide.

The ADI has supported and continues to support many charitable and humanitarian programs throughout the world in: Mexico, Costa Rica, Haiti, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, Nepal, Vanuatu, Jamaica and the United States.

Left page:

Dr. Paul Kotala (Australia) established an Academy-funded clinic in the Nam Bak district of Laos (above).

Dr. T. Bob Davis' student dental mission trip in Guatemala (below)

Right page:

Volunteers from the dental project in Guatemala





“ It was wonderful helping so many children in Guatemala. Although I came to this mission trip to help others, I realized that all the people of Guatemala and our team also offered me more than I could ever have imagined. ”

Bethany (dental student)

The ADI: some of our milestones

A group of approximately 20 children of African descent are gathered outdoors, looking towards the camera. In the background, a man with grey hair and a beard, wearing a teal shirt, stands next to a white van. The scene is set in a rural or semi-rural area with trees and a clear sky.

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1974

Volunteerism

Volunteer humanitarian and patient care service projects were initiated as a natural consequence of this crossing of international boundaries and cultural exchange.

In 1985, the Academy of Dentistry International Foundation was incorporated. This nonprofit (USA IRS tax deductible) foundation was formed to fund humanitarian and other services and initiatives in liaison with the Academy.

Since 1985

A forum for the “exchange of knowledge” was established in early 1975 with the first “newsletter” of the Academy titled the INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATOR.

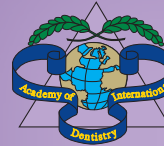
In 2015, the newsletter began to focus more on education and is now the Journal of the Academy of Dentistry International, JADI.

“Exchange of Knowledge” for over 40 years

In 2015, the ADI became the first Honorary Dental Organization to be affiliated with the United Nations Department of Public Information as an NGO (Non-Governmental Organization).

2015

SUSTAINABLE
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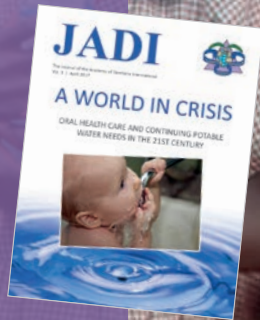
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The Academy of Dentistry International is an honorary international society for dentists who share knowledge while serving oral health needs as volunteers and through fellowship create such opportunities for world health and peace.

Academy fellows and other outstanding clinicians constitute the Academy's international continuing education faculty.

Clinicians and lecturers give their time and services at their own personal expense.

Education



Masthead

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