

1st Annual Meeting of CAHD-ACDH – Meeting of the Founding Members

Vancouver General Hospital

May 29, 2015

Attendees

Name	Location
Debbie Fonseca	Vancouver
Larry Goldstein	Vancouver
Matthew Gustafson	Vancouver
Alan Hovan	Vancouver
Eduardo Kalaydjian	Calgary
Linda Lee	Toronto
Nicholas Makhoul	Montreal
Veenu Mittal	Toronto
Antonietta Paladino	Calgary
Bill Preshing	Edmonton
Mel Schwartz	Montreal
Hilal Sirhan	Montreal
Michael Shimizu	London
Susan Sutherland	Toronto
Mohan Teekasingh	Saskatoon

1. Welcome and Introductions

Susan Sutherland delivered opening remarks and noted that this is an historic meeting, as it is the founding meeting of CAHD-ACDH as an incorporated not for profit association. Thanks were extended to Debbie Fonseca, Larry Goldstein and their team for hosting the meeting and to the other two First Directors, Eduardo Kalaydjian and Mel Schwartz, for the significant amount of work undertaken over the past year to establish CAHD as a recognized legal entity, including the development of multiple processes for the start-up of the Association. A special thanks was extended to Dr. Chris Robinson from Edmonton for his tremendous support and generous sharing of his vast knowledge over the past year. It was agreed that Dr. Robinson should be counted as one of the Founding Members of CAHD.

Dr. Sutherland shared a message of congratulations from Claude Paul Boivin, Executive Director of the Canadian Dental Association on behalf of the CDA staff and letters of

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support from Dr. Ed Dore, President of the Canadian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and Dr. Alastair Nicoll, President of the Canadian Dental Association.

Debbie Fonseca welcomed attendees to Vancouver and reviewed the logistics of the day, as well as plans for the Fellowship Dinner that evening.

After introductions of attendees, guest speaker Dr. David Patrick was introduced. Dr. Patrick is an Infectious Disease Physician in the UBC Faculty of Medicine, an Epidemiologist with posts as Professor and Director of the UBC School of Population and Public Health and is the Medical Epidemiology Lead for Antimicrobial Resistance and the Do Bugs Need Drugs Project at the British Columbia Centre for Disease Control.

2. Antibiotic Stewardship

Dr. Patrick gave a presentation on antibiotic resistance, highlighting his research on antibiotic prescribing patterns among health professionals, with somewhat astounding statistics on the trends in dentistry. He discussed various initiatives around the world that are being used to combat the crisis of antibiotic resistance. Following a rich discussion, it was agreed that CAHD is well positioned to collaborate with our medical and dental colleagues to lead a national Antibiotic Stewardship initiative for dentistry in Canada. The executive will collate many of the ideas put forward and, in consultation with the members present and others, develop a proposal for this strategic platform.

3. GPR Selection Process

An email sent by Dr. Mike Sigal from Mount Sinai Hospital to GPR Program Directors last November, along with a proposed ranking system, was pre circulated. An additional letter on the matter from Drs. Ross Anderson (IWK Health Centre), Mike Sigal and Michael Casas (Hospital for Sick Children) was distributed for discussion. The members felt that the ranking system proposed would be cumbersome and fraught with potential for gaming and error. It was agreed that, with the formation of CAHD, there now exists an appropriate mechanism for developing more robust processes, including stewardship and oversight, for the selection process. To this end, a working group will been appointed to investigate and develop an electronic national match selection process and submit a proposal to the CAHD Board of Directors. If accepted by the Board, the proposal will be circulated to Program Directors for feedback.

Because it will not be feasible to have a new process in place for the 2016-17 resident selections, CAHD recommends that the present system used for the past few years remain in place for the coming year. CAHD will contact the Canadian GPR Program



Directors and fourth year dental students through the Offices of the Deans of Dentistry to outline the procedures and dates for offers and acceptances for 2016-17.

4. Current Status and Future Trends in GPR Programs

The theme of the 2015 ACFD Biennial Conference is *The Alphabet of Post Graduate Year Options: PGY1, AEGD, GPR, DF1...* Dr. Schwartz will be giving a presentation on GPR Programs. He presented findings of his survey of GPR Programs and led a discussion/received feedback on the topic.

5. Pediatric Hospital Dental Chiefs of Canada (PHDCC)

A written report from PHDCC was pre circulated. Dr. Karen Campbell, Chief of Dentistry at the BC Children's Hospital, attended as a guest to represent this group. Dr. Campbell discussed the membership, mandate and recent activities of PHDCC. She informed CADH that the members of PHDCC had unanimously decided that they wished to remain autonomous from CAHD and that none of their members would be joining CAHD. Following an interactive discussion, Dr. Campbell was thanked for her presentation and for attending that portion of the meeting.

6. Sharing Documentation

Dr. Schwartz led a discussion about sharing ideas related to GPR Programs, administrative matters, operational issues and other topics through the planned CAHD website. The website could serve as a repository for documents, forms and other materials related to departments and programs that chiefs/program directors might find useful.

Dr. Lee discussed the extensive patient database created and maintained by the Oral Oncology group at Princess Margaret Hospital and Dr. Makhoul shared information about databases he has developed. The need for data and the development of databases to meet the needs of patient care, research and administrative requirements was felt to be a significant issue for a number of the attendees. This topic will be explored as the subject for an expert guest speaker or panel presentation at next year's meeting.

7. Update on the Formation of the Canadian Association of Hospital Dentists

Dr. Sutherland updated the members about the processes that have been undertaken over the past year to register and incorporate CAHD as a not for profit organization. Dr. Kalaydjian distributed and received feedback about the application form and there was consensus to establish the annual fees at \$200.00 for active and affiliate members and



no fee for dental students and residents. It was decided that the membership year would be July 1 to June 30 each year. Mechanisms for additional funding sources were discussed.

8. CDA Certificate of Recognition for Completion of Dental Internship Program

The Canadian Dental Association (CDA) established a national database and registry of graduates of hospital dental internships or general practice residency programs in Canada in May 1995. Applicants who have successfully completed such an accredited are added to the database and registry and receive a framed Certificate of Recognition. The registry program was introduced May 1, 1995. Since its inception, the program has issued more than 235 certificates.

The CDA database is used for the following purposes:

- 1 to record application details, process applications (which includes confirming the successful completion of the program by the program director) and issue the certificates.
- if and when directed and authorized in writing by the applicant, the registrar notifies each province/jurisdiction in which the applicant indicates he/she is licensed to practice dentistry of the applicant's completion of the dental internship program for which the certificate has been issued.
- is maintained for organizational/historical records.

Some CAHD members issue their own certificates and therefore do not have an interest in the CDA certificate, while other programs encourage their residents to apply for it, and some programs pay the fee on behalf of their residents. While there was consensus that the database is valuable, there was a general feeling that the application fee of \$150.00 is high. It was pointed out that the certificate is delivered to candidates in a frame and is quite attractive. The members directed that the following information be conveyed to CDA:

- 1. CDA consider a stratified fee structure, with applicants able to choose between:
 - a. name entered in database only
 - b. name entered in database and receive an unframed certificate
 - c. name entered in database and receive a framed certificate
- 2. CAHD would like to explore with CDA opportunities for accessing the database for research purposes



9. Adjournment and Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 4 pm, with thanks to the BC team for hosting the day. The next meeting will be held in Halifax in May 2016.

10. Business Meeting of the Voting Members of CAHD

Following adjournment of the general meeting, a business meeting of the voting members of CAHD was held at which time resolutions related to the following matters were passed:

- Approval of Bylaws
- Approval of financial statements
- Approval (with minor revisions) of the Operations Manual
- Election of Board of Directors and line officers:

Atlantic Region: Chris Lee

Quebec: Mel Schwartz (Vice President)
Ontario: Susan Sutherland (President)

Prairie Region: Chris Cottick

Alberta/NU: Eduardo Kalaydjian (Secretary-Treasurer)

BC/Yukon: Debbie Fonseca