Current Issues in Oral Health And Dental Hygiene Practice: Policy, Law, Regulations

Description: This is the annual opportunity offered by NYDHA to give attendees a perspective on oral health and professional practice issues, including law, regulatory, and licensing matters. NYDHA’s year-round governmental affairs and public policy program involves interaction and collaboration with entities on the federal and state level.

Discussion will include how advocacy at the state and federal levels in regard to the COVID-19 pandemic goes beyond daily monitoring of government and public health measures affecting dental practice and involves contact with government officials to present dental hygienists’ perspectives, experience and needs in practicing effectively and safely during this public health crisis.

Learning objectives: Attendees will increase their knowledge and have an opportunity to have their questions answered regarding:

- Issues and procedures on the state and national levels affecting oral health and dental hygiene practice and the roles and initiatives of the state and federal agencies
- Year-round advocacy of NYDHA and ADHA in the past year and issues and actions in the year ahead.

About our speaker

Robin Grasso, RDH, is NYDHA Vice President of Governmental Affairs and Public Policy and past President of the Association. Her practice is in clinical dental hygiene primarily within a private office in Bedford, NY; she is frequent volunteer at Mission of Mercy and other community health initiatives.

Among honors, she received the NYDHA Board of Directors Award for Outstanding Volunteerism and NYDHA Award for Excellence at the Component Level. She is a past President of the Westchester Dental Hygienists’ Association.

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