

# Contact NEWS BULLETIN

April 4, 2014

## CDSBC 2014/15 Board Election

The following positions were filled by acclamation:

#### Board Officers (one-year term)

President - Dr. David Tobias Vice-President - Dr. Erik Hutton Treasurer - Dr. Kerim Ozcan

#### **Dentist Board Members (two-year term)**

District 4 (Vancouver) - Dr. Ben Balevi UBC Faculty of Dentistry Board Member - Dr. Eli Whitney

**Certified Dental Assistant Board Member (two-year term)** Ms. Elaine Maxwell

#### **Election for Fraser Valley Dentist Position**

An election will be held on May 15, 2014 for the Dentist, District 1 (Fraser Valley) position. The candidates are:

Dr. Alexander Hird Dr. Jan Versendaal

Ballots will be mailed on April 17 to eligible dentist voters in the district. Read Dr. Hird's and Dr. Versendaal's candidate statements <u>here</u>.

#### **Board Vacancies**

No nominations were received for the position of Certified Specialist. With the election of Dr. Ozcan as Treasurer, there is now a vacancy for District 2 (North). The Board will work with the Board Officers and the Nominations Committee to fill these vacancies.

## Notice of Annual General Meeting: May 23, 2014

CDSBC's 2014 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Friday, May 23, 2014 from 8:30 am – 9:30 am at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 34<sup>th</sup> floor, "Grouse Room", 655 Burrard Street, Vancouver.

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The purpose of the AGM is for the President and Registrar/CEO to summarize CDSBC's activities over the past year and to share the College's audited financial statements. An opportunity for conversation between the Board and registrants will also be provided.

To ensure adequate meeting materials and seating, please RSVP to Tracey Ong at tong@cdsbc.org by Wednesday, May 14.

# **College Donates Seized Dental Equipment**

CDSBC has donated a substantial amount of the dental equipment and materials seized from three illegal dentists: Tung Sheng (David) Wu, Vladimir Shapoval, and Hua Zheng Huang.

These items have been donated to the <u>Abbotsford Food Bank Free Dental Clinic</u> and to the <u>New Life Mission Dental Clinic</u> in Kamloops as part of its revitalization. Both clinics offer free or low-cost dental services to patients in need in those communities.

Read the <u>news release</u>.

## **Lapsed Certified Dental Assistants**

All dentists received an email from the College last month asking them to verify the certification status of the CDAs working in their office. Please check your email for detailed information.

## Clarification of Canadian Dental Association's Position on Antibiotic Prophylaxis

The Canadian Dental Association has clarified its position on antibiotic prophylaxis to prevent infective endocarditis. Specifically, it has replaced the term "artificial heart valve" and now suggests that dental patients be asked if they have had cardiac valve repairs as well as cardiac valve replacement. Read the <u>CDA's updated position paper</u>.

## **Avoiding Complaints Workshop – April 26, Kamloops**

Complaints against dentists have nearly doubled over the past five years. Join us at CDSBC's upcoming Avoiding Complaints workshop in Kamloops to learn how a preventive approach to managing your practice can keep you from being blindsided by a complaint.

You will hear about real complaints investigated by CDSBC staff dentists. We will also show you what steps to take if you are faced with a complaint from a patient.

Visit our <u>website</u> for more information and to register.

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