

# FAPD NEWSLETTER

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## 2013-2014 FAPD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

- **President -  
Dr. Nick White**
- **Vice President -  
Dr. Julie Russo**
- **Sec./Treas. -  
Dr. Eric Berry**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wow! I can't believe it's the midpoint of "my reign of terror" as your FAPD president. We have been steadfastly working on many issues concerning our organization this year. Our membership numbers from the AAPD are in, and we are currently at 209 registered members. That is outstanding! We do have 60 or so Florida dentists who did not renew their membership this year in the FAPD, and we encourage anyone who may have forgotten or decided not to renew to reconsider and join. Remember, we even lowered dues by \$50 last year. The larger our number, the louder our voice.

Our past president and CE coordinator, Reza Ardalan, has been busy planning our next great CE course for both 2014 as well as 2015. In addition, we have moved our annual business meeting to coincide with the CE course weekend. This allows us to more efficiently schedule our meetings and keep administrative costs down. We would love to see you all in attendance for both of these events. We have been using your survey responses from last year's course to help guide us in speaker selection. Please make plans to attend our course this year in October, and remember to fill out a course survey afterwards. Let us know what topics you would like to see in the future. We have positioned ourselves to accommodate top notch speakers from around the country, so if there is someone special you would like to hear, or a special topic you would like to learn about, contact us and let us know. This is a great benefit that comes with your FAPD membership.

We have been well represented at local, state, regional, and national meetings this past year by our own FAPD members. They have attended FDA House of Delegates meetings, specialty forums, Board of Dentistry meetings, AAPD seminars on Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare), and participated in numerous conference calls at both state and national levels, as well as county commissioner meetings helping defend fluoride. It has been a very busy and productive year. This is a constant endeavor and I thank everyone who has been involved in these processes. I know at times it can be one other ball to juggle in your daily routine, and sometimes it may feel like an uphill battle and a thankless position. But believe me; your actions have not been unnoticed. They have shown very real benefits for our organization, our specialty, and Florida's children. I personally thank each and every one of you. Please know that all of your time and efforts are truly appreciated.



**Nick White**  
FAPD President

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## BOARD OF DENTISTRY SEDATION RULES UPDATE

The Board of Dentistry has approved several changes in regards to sedation and anesthesia permitting. The FAPD has and will continue to be your representative at the BOD meetings to try and ensure that the rights of the pediatric dentist are maintained.

Listed below, you will see the exact rule that went into effect March 1, 2014 regarding CE for sedation/anesthesia permit holders

"All dentists who hold an active sedation permit of any level must complete four (4) hours of continuing education in airway management and four (4) hours of continuing education in medical emergencies, every four (4) years from the last date the dentist took the continuing education course. The four (4) hours in airway management must include two hours didactic training in providing dentistry on sedated patients with compromised airways

and two hours must include hands-on training in airway management of sedated patients. The continuing education must be taken through a board approved continuing education provider. The continuing education required by this subsection will take effect on March 1, 2014. The continuing education required by this subsection may be included in the thirty (30) hours required by Section 466.0135, F.S."

Basically, this means that every 4 years (2 biennium) you must complete 8 hours of CE training in sedation. Of those 8 hours, 4 hours must be in medical emergencies and 4 hours in airway management. Of the 4 hours in airway management, 2 of those hours must be "hands-on."

An additional rule was implemented that only affects dentists that do not have a sedation permit. The rule is listed

below:

"The provisions of this rule control the treatment of patients where an anesthesia permitted dentist sedates the dental patient in his or her board-inspected and board-registered dental office and a Florida licensed dentist without an anesthesia permit performs the dental treatment. This rule shall control notwithstanding any rule provision in this Chapter to the contrary, which prohibits such conduct.

- (1) The permitted dentist shall perform the sedation in his or her out-patient dental office where the permitted dentist is registered to perform the anesthesia services;
- (2) The permitted dentist shall remain with the patient from the onset of the performance of the anesthesia until discharge of the patient;
- (3) The permitted dentist shall have no other patient

induced with anesthesia or begin the performance of any other anesthesia services until the patient is discharged;

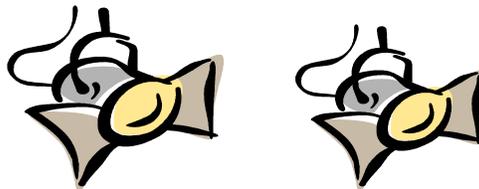
(4) The treating dentist shall have taken a minimum of four hours of continuing education in airway management prior to treating any sedated patient. Two hours must be in didactic training in providing dentistry on sedated patients with compromised airways and two hours must include hands-on training in airway management of sedated patients. After the initial airway management course, the treating dentist shall continue to repeat a minimum of four hours in airway management every four years from the date the course was last taken by the dentist. The continuing education courses taken may be credited toward the mandatory thirty hours of continuing education required for licensure renewal."

For more information contact the Florida Board of Dentistry

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Leigh Ann McIlwain



The FAPD would like to congratulate our very own Dr. Leigh Ann McIlwain as she ascends to the top of the SSPD ladder. Dr. McIlwain was recently sworn in as the President of the Southeastern Society of Pediatric Dentistry during the Annual Meeting in Atlanta. We are all very proud of Dr. McIlwain and her accomplishments!

If you know of another deserving FAPD member who has made a valuable contribution to pediatric dentistry, send that information to our newsletter editor, Reza Ardanal, at [RezaHeel@aol.com](mailto:RezaHeel@aol.com).



Beginning July 1, 2012, FAPD dues were collected along with AAPD dues. A reminder that AAPD bylaws require that you also maintain membership in your State association.



## FAPD ANNUAL CE COURSE

Thank you to everyone that attended the 2013 FAPD CE Course. We had one of our largest gatherings with over 70 dentists in attendance! Those that were there were treated to a great lecture by Dr. Cathy Flaitz and also had the opportunity to socialize with fellow pediatric dentists. A catered lunch was enjoyed by all in attendance at the beautiful Caribe Royale Hotel in Orlando, Florida. Plans are already in the works for the 2014 FAPD CE Course, so make sure to save the date!

## FAPD ANNUAL MEETING

The Executive Board of the FAPD has made a decision involving the FAPD Annual Business Meeting. Generally, we have held the annual meeting during the FNDC, however, attendance has decreased over the years as fewer pediatric dentists have been making the trip to Orlando for that meeting. The Board has elected to hold the Annual Business Meeting during the Annual FAPD CE Course. Attendance at the meeting has been great which will allow for more members to participate in the meeting. Also, this will help with costs for both our members and the organization. As has been tradition, a catered lunch is included with your Annual CE Course registration. We look forward to seeing everyone at the 2014 FAPD CE Course and Business Meeting!

## MEMBERSHIP AND DUES UPDATE

Your Florida Academy of Pediatric Dentistry is in a very strong and stable position. Currently, we are at our highest membership count sitting at 209 members in good standing! There are a few AAPD members that have yet to submit their FAPD dues, so we encourage those members to get their dues in on a timely manner. In related good news, since membership levels have increased and the FAPD Executive Board had been wise in its spending, dues will once again **decrease** for the 2014-2015 cycle! In this era of increasing prices, it's a pleasant surprise when an organization can actually reduce membership fees. The new dues rate will be \$200 for the year and will be collected along with your AAPD dues. In the past few years, the FAPD has managed to decrease dues by \$100 and continue to increase member benefits. It's good to be a part of the FAPD!

## DENTIST DAY ON THE HILL

This year's Dentists Day on the Hill will be held on April 2, 2014 in Tallahassee, Florida. Dentists Day on the Hill is an opportunity for dentists to meet with their representatives and express our concerns. If you have never been, you should consider participating in this great event. Limited funds may be available for reimbursement. If you are interested in meeting with your representative, attending Dentists Day on the Hill or have any questions, you can contact our Legislative Committee Chair, Dr. Gary Myers at [drgary@tooth2tooth.com](mailto:drgary@tooth2tooth.com) or FAPD President, Dr. Nick White at [drnickwhite@netscape.net](mailto:drnickwhite@netscape.net). Thank you in advance for your continued support of the FAPD!

## Save the Date!!

### 2014 FAPD CE Course

Saturday, October 25, 2014

Orlando, Florida

### 2014 AAPD ANNUAL SESSION

May 22-25, 2014

Boston, MA

#### Additional Dates to remember:

March 21, 2014 PedoGator CE Course -  
From Effective Pain Management to Excellent Esthetic  
Outcome with Dr. Diana Ram, Gainesville, FL

April 10-12, 2015 SSPD Resort Meeting,  
Charleston, SC

April 2015 Sedation/ACLS Recertification CE Course,  
Gainesville, FL

**We are on the web!!**

**[www.FAPD4Kids.org](http://www.FAPD4Kids.org)**

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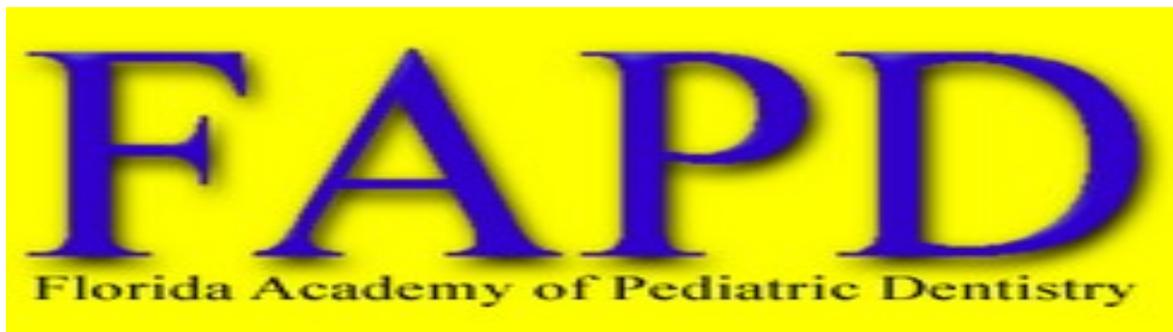
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**NEXT BOD MEETING**

**May 16, 2014**  
**Hyatt Regency Jacksonville**  
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*The mission of the FAPD is to practice the art and science of Pediatric Dentistry and promote optimal health care for infants, children, and persons with special health care needs. The FAPD advocates professional development and continued education of the health professions and remains a liaison to other health caregivers and the public.*



## Editor's Corner - Reza Ardalan, DMD

What an amazing response by our membership! For the past several years, the FAPD has been making some drastic moves to cut down on spending and increase member benefits. The results have been fantastic as our membership has grown dramatically. Thank you to all of our dues paying members for your continued support. We have become stronger as an organization and will continue to work hard for our members and the children of our state. We highly recommend that anyone who is interested in serving a more official role within the FAPD to please contact us. The more volunteers that we have, the more active we can be as an organization. Thank you members for all that you do, and we look forward to seeing you at the Annual CE Course!!