

Council on Governmental Affairs

This is a four (4) year term. A term year begins and ends based on the annual House of Delegates Meeting, which is usually held in June.

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The Sixth District Dental Society appreciates you stepping up and volunteering to serve in this role, while helping to promote and improve the dental profession. In this role you are expected to attend and participate in our two annual Executive Council Meetings, that traditionally take place the day before our spring Semi-Annual Meeting and our fall Annual Meeting. You are also expected to volunteer for dental promotions throughout your term and afterwards. Thank you.

The Council on Governmental Affairs meets once in person on Advocacy Day (usually in February, we're trying to move it to April this year) and they meet once a year by conference call. All in-person meetings are reimbursed by NYSDA. As soon as possible after each meeting, send your report the Sixth District Dental Society Executive Director.

The duties of the Council on Governmental Affairs shall be:

1. To protect the public and the dental profession in matters of legislation and regulations and to make recommendations of plans and methods to the House of Delegates in conformity with its established policies.
2. To review all legislation introduced into the Legislature of the State of New York, and to advise appropriate legislators of the position of the Association with respect to all proposed legislation of significant interest.
3. To prepare and arrange for introduction of legislation deemed necessary or advisable to promote the dental health of the public and the interests of the Association and its members.
4. To cooperate with appropriate agencies of the American Dental Association in advancing the interests of the dental profession and the public in federal legislation and regulation.
5. To cooperate with component societies in advancing the interest of the dental profession and the public in legislation and regulation of local government.
6. To maintain liaison on behalf of the Association with legislative agencies of other health professions, and such other liaison as may be directed by the House of Delegates.