Council on Membership & Communications

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 Membership & Communications meets twice a year. Once in-person in Albany in September or October and once via videoconference in March or April. As soon as possible after each meeting, send your report the Sixth District Dental Society Executive Director.

The duties of the Council on Membership & Communications shall be:

- 1. To develop and maintain a public relations program for this Association, including the dissemination of information on and publicity concerning the activities of the Association.
- 2. To develop and maintain good professional relations between members of this Association and other constituent societies of the American Dental Association.
- 3. To develop and maintain good relations between this Association and organizations representing other health professions.
- 4. To conduct an ongoing study of membership problems and formulate plans for maintaining and increasing the membership of this Association, in conformity with policies adopted by the House of Delegates.
- 5. To recruit and retain dentists who have graduated from dental school within the previous ten years (also referred to as "new dentists"), in the tripartite system of organized dentistry.
- 6. To provide information and assistance for new dentists to facilitate the transition from dental school to active practice.
- 7. To establish, maintain and encourage positive relationships with the faculty, students and staff of New York State's dental schools.

- 8. To formulate programs with the Association's component societies and the American Dental Association that support and facilitate the participation of new dentists in the tripartite system of organized dentistry.
- 9. To work effectively with other councils and agencies of the Association on those educational and promotional programs and/or activities directed to the public and the profession.



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