The American Dental Society of Anesthesiology was founded in 1953 to provide a forum for education, research and recognition of achievement in order to promote safe and effective patient care for all dentists who have an interest in anesthesiology, sedation, and the control of anxiety and pain.

Our society is dedicated to continuing education and the advancement of anesthesia and sedation science. It is the only organization in dentistry where all who have interest in anxiety and pain control can gather together on common ground.

Membership in the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology demonstrates to the public your commitment to offering high quality, safe and effective anesthesia and sedation care. Your active participation in ADSA will further ensure dentistry’s ability to offer these services well into the future.

Membership in ADSA includes subscriptions to our two publications, Anesthesia Progress and The Pulse. Our quarterly journal, Anesthesia Progress, is the only peer-reviewed journal dedicated to anxiety and pain control for dentistry. The journal includes papers on anesthesia, sedation, and related topics from around the world including a continuing education article eligible for CE credit. ADSA’s bimonthly newsletter, The Pulse, brings contemporary news and information to keep the practitioner current on the latest news in anxiety and pain control.

ADSA members enjoy special registration rates at our continuing education courses including our annual scientific session. ADSA offers continuing education review courses for both the general anesthesia and the minimal and moderate sedation provider. These courses bring together experts from around the country to review contemporary issues in anxiety and pain control.

We offer courses for dental auxiliaries who assist with general anesthesia and sedation procedures and our simulation course, “Anesthetic Complications: Recognition and Management,” allows the practitioner and their team to practice management of complications on a human simulator.

ADSA has mechanisms in place to recognize the accomplishments and training of general anesthesia and moderate sedation providers. The ADSA Fellowship in General Anesthesia and Diplomate status in the National Dental Board of Anesthesiology for general anesthesia providers and the College of Sedation in Dentistry for moderate sedation providers are awarded following a credentials and examination process to dentists with training in those modalities of anxiety and pain control. Some states recognize these achievements as part of their credentialing.

Membership in ADSA also includes membership in the International Federation of Dental Anesthesia Societies and the ADSA Anesthesia Research Foundation, which is the charitable arm of the Society that promotes and encourages research and education in the field of sedation, anesthesia and pain control in dentistry. Through the years, the ARF has been instrumental in identifying initiatives of interest to dentistry in the areas of anesthesia and sedation and in providing pilot funding and grants for projects that have resulted in significant advances in basic science and translational research. ADSA members, student members, and resident members are eligible to submit proposals for grants to support their research in anesthesia and sedation.

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