



Diwali Greetings

"It's Never Been Done Before"

By Viren Jhaveri DDS

"Yes I Will" the resounding words of Dr. Chad Gehani at the IDA (USA) Convention 2016 drew a thumping round of standing ovation from one and all in attendance. His historic speech made on July 9th 2016 may just have been said in NY but was heard near and far, loud and clear.

It's never been done before, an individual of Indian origin to even be considered to be in the hierarchy at the American Dental Association, but Chad did it. Not only did he stand strong amongst cut throat competition from three other candidates, "HE WON" with a clear majority and became the first individual of Indian origin to become ADA Trustee from New York State, two years ago. His accomplishments are matched only by his dedication and vision. QCDS President, NYSDA President, NYSDF Board member, ADA Trustee, Ellis Island Medal of Honor recipient, the list goes on, are all first feathers in Chad's cap from the dental community.

Dr. Gehani has been a shepherd to our entire community fostering strong relationships with individual members, guiding them in their professional and personal lives for decades. Nevertheless, he has mentored scores of individuals locally and globally.

The confidence, dedication and social consciousness of Dr. Gehani has now landed him in an even more worthy endeavor of service to the dental profession.

Dr. Chad Gehani has announced that he will run for President Elect position for the American Dental Association in fall of 2017. "There is a new world emerging and I see the need for a change," he said. He mentioned issues like declining membership, which is the bloodline of any association, licensure portability and influx of category of employee dentists in the profession. He dawned upon a myriad of changes, which are influencing to change the landscape of the dental profession, and that if we do not change and determine our future, someone else will do it for us, and that may not necessarily be in our best interest.

So friends here are kudos to the Gehani family for a son that has uplifted our community and the dental profession and made us all proud.



President's Message

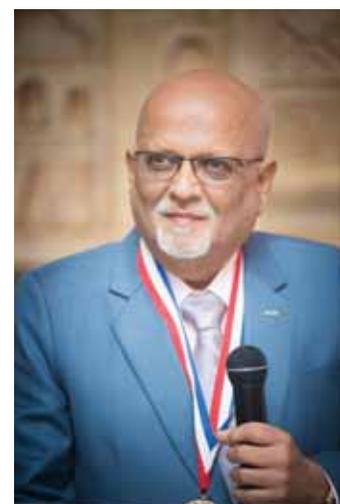
My Dear Colleagues,

It is with great pride in my heart, that I report to you that we had yet another successful convention and CE program in July of this year. At this year's convention we had Dr. Steven Chen, President of the American College of Dentists, as our Chief Guest. It was a very well attended convention.

It was my personal honor to see our own Dr. Chad Gehani adorn the "Ellis Island Gold Medal of Honor" and have his friends and colleagues share in his well-deserved honor. Speaking of Chad, there is an opportunity for one of our own to seek the highest office at the ADA. I am sure that our IDA membership, friends and family will support the effort towards that goal.

I am proud to report to you that the Indian Dental Association has been re-certified for a term of three years, 11/01/16 to 12/31/2019 by ADA CERP.

From a professional perspective, E Rx has launched, Medicare opt out is still relevant but Section 1557, of the Affordable Care Act is effective as of October 16th 2016 and I do hope that all of us stay compliant. HIPPA will become stricter in the private practice format. The following are the Medicare details: Dentists have the following options, but the best option for most dentists seems to be the one that makes them an ordering or referring provider.



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1) Enroll as a Medicare provider (link form CMS-855I)

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/CMS-Forms/CMS-Forms/Downloads/cms855i.pdf>

2) Enroll as an ordering or referring provider (CMS form 855O link)

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/CMS-Forms/CMS-Forms/downloads/cms855o.pdf>

Opt-out of the Medicare program.

One can opt-out by submitting an affidavit. Below is a link to the ADA website for a sample opt-out affidavit. This is an ADA member benefit and member login is required.

https://www.ada.org/-/media/ADA/Member%20Center/Members/Legal_RevisedMedicareOptOutAffidavit_2015May7.ashx

All forms/affidavits are to be submitted to:

National Government Services Inc.

P.O. Box 7149

Indianapolis, IN 46207-7149

The ADA website also provides sample private contract forms that providers, if opted out, should use when providing Medicare covered services to Medicare patients.

Section 1557 of ACA

In accordance with Section 1557 rules, covered dental practices are required to post two notices: (1) a Notice of Nondiscrimination and (2) Taglines to alert individuals with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) of availability of Translation services. The Taglines must be written in the top 15 non-English languages in your state. The Office of Civil Rights (OCR) has posted a list of the top 15 languages by each state on the OCR website.

These notices must be posted by October 16, 2016.

In closing, I thank all of you for your continued support and patronage of the Indian Dental Association. I give my sincere thanks to Dr. Chad and Rekha Gehani for their support and inspiration, to Dr. Viren Jhaveri for his magical ability to get the convention logistics going, Dr. Prabha Krishnan for her advice and suggestions and Dr. Sudhakar Shetty for his devoted support.

A special thanks to Dr. Vinod Sharma and Mrs. Sharma for whole heartedly volunteering on all our events.

Happy Diwali and Happy Holidays to you all!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

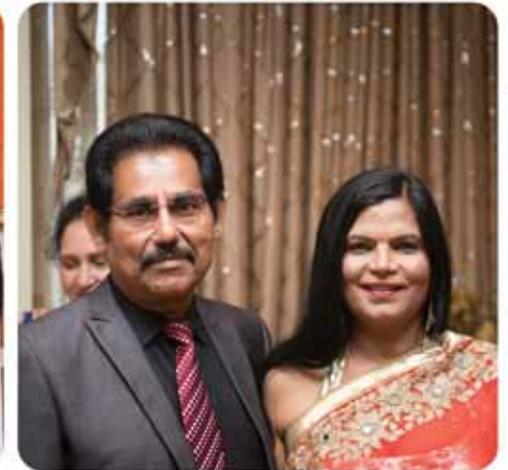
Prabhakar Koppikar DDS.

It is with deep regrets that we inform our members of passing of the following long standing members of Indian Dental Association (USA). They will be dearly missed.

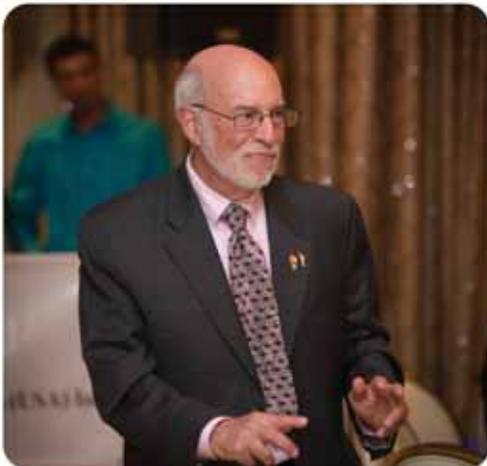
Dr. Jayant Kiri

Dr. Vijaylaxmi Nariani (New Jersey)

Mr. Mani Mata (husband of our life member Dr. (Mrs) Mani Mata)







Indian Dental Association (USA) Inc. **General Membership Meeting**

Announcing General Membership Meeting

Date: ☐☐ Sunday November 20, 2016

Place: ☐☐ Santoor, Glen Oaks, NY

Time: ☐☐ 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

CE Lecture will start at 11:30 am sharp

Course Location: Santoor, Glen Oaks, NY

Course Title: Management of Peri-Apical Pathosis

Course Code: 070

Educational Method: Lecture

Instructor Name: Dr. Chad P. Gehani

CE Credits: 2 CE Credits

Dr. Chad Gehani needs no introduction, an international acclaimed speaker; Dr. Gehani has already had over 250 speaking engagements. He is an associate clinical professor in the department of Endodontics at NYU College of Dentistry, a mentor to domestic and international students at all levels. Dr. Gehani maintains a private practice limited to Endodontics in NYC, NY for over 35 years. Dr. Gehani has been honored by most dental organizations and has held top positions in QCDS and NYSDA. Currently, Dr. Gehani is American Dental Association Trustee representing New York State in the ADA.

Objectives and Learner Outcomes:

Participants will learn how to diagnose peri-apical pathosis, various diagnostic aids and modalities will be discussed, pathways that lead to peri-apical pathosis will be defined, brief discussion on immunopathology of peri-apical pathosis discussed. Following this presentation, participants will be able to diagnose and treat peri-apical pathosis. Follow up of 6 month and 1year recall of post treatment cases will be discussed.

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