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Our Mission

To reduce dental decay in Native American infants, children, and adults. To provide training, technical assistance, and resources to Tribal and Urban dental clinics operating in California.



The California Rural Indian Health Board, Inc. is the grant administrator for the California Dental Support Center.

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California Rural Indian Health Board, Inc. & California Area Indian Health Service Continuing Dental Education Conference May 4–7, 2020

Hosted by the California Dental Support Center (DSC) at the California Rural Indian Health Board, Inc. (CRIHB) & California Area Indian Health Service, this four-day informative conference for dental and health professionals is designed to support continued education in the dental and health professions.

There are up to 37 sessions available with over 78 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) offered at the conference.

REGISTRATION:

To register for the conference, please visit the Indian Health Service Continuing Dental Education website at: <https://www.ihs.gov/DentalCDE/index.cfm>

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND:

- Dentists
- Registered Dental Hygienists
- Registered Dental Assistants
- Dental Assistants
- Office Staff
- Billing Staff

LOCATION:

DoubleTree by Hilton
2001 Point West Way
Sacramento, CA 95815



2019 Continuing Dental Education Conference

QUESTIONS:

Please contact Dental Support Center Coordinator Consuelo Gambino at (916) 929-9761 x1307 or cgambino@crihb.org.

LODGING INFORMATION:

Special Conference Rate: \$115/night
Room Block Code: CRI (Expires April 6, 2020)
Room Link: <https://tinyurl.com/veaqwra>

Upcoming Certification Courses for Registered Dental Assistants (RDAs) and Dental Assistants (DAs)

Courses for RDAs and DAs are offered through the Foundation for Allied Dental Education (FADE) Institute in Folsom, CA. Registration is free through the Dental Support Center and full travel reimbursement may also be provided.

Coronal Polish: February 29–March 1, 2020 or April 18-19, 2020

Infection Control/Dental Practice Act: February 1, 2020 or March 7, 2020

Pit & Fissure Sealant (Must be RDA): January 25, 2020 or March 28, 2020

Radiation Safety: February 21–23, 2020 or March 20-22, 2020

RDA Written Review: January 31, 2020 or May 15, 2020



To register for a course, please contact Consuelo Gambino at (916) 929-9761 x 1307 or cgambino@crihb.org.

Dental Transformation Initiative

In October 2019, CRIHB hosted the first gathering of some of the Oral Health Care Coordinators (OHCCs) in the Dental Transformation Initiative Local Dental Pilot Project. At the meeting, the OHCCs shared ideas for community outreach, collaborated on troubleshooting challenges, and introduced the children's book reading program designed to increase oral health literacy among both children and parents. The afternoon featured a review of Care Coordination principles. The OHCCs reported that the gathering was extremely valuable and made plans to continue sharing ideas.



Back row (left to right)—Jessica Courts (Karuk Tribal Health & Human Services Program), Tammy Jones (Greenville Rancheria Tribal Health Program), Angela Edwards (Lassen Indian Health Center), Jan Carver (CRIHB), Cindy Harris (San Diego American Indian Health Center), Lora Ede-Colley (Shingle Springs Health & Wellness Center). Front row (left to right)—Celia Villarruel (Pit River Health Service, Inc.), Maria Medel (Round Valley Indian Health Center), Donna Gosnell (Chapa-De Indian Health Program, Inc.), Regina Rhoan-Lewis (Tuolumne Me-Wuk Indian Health Center).

Congratulations to the 2019 Gaby Rector Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH) Scholarship Recipient, Maggie Velazquez

Maggie Velazquez, RDH from Redding Rancheria Tribal Health Center, was selected to attend the 3-day action packed 2019 RDH Under One Roof Conference in Grapevine, TX. Ms. Velazquez has been working at Redding Rancheria Tribal Health Center for over eight years and has taken over a leadership position for the hygiene department in the last two years. She has been essential to the growth of the clinic, goes above and beyond, and is always looking for ways to improve herself and the department. She performs outreach events for the local Head Start preschool program and has run multiple programs for the Tribal youth. She selflessly promotes the highest quality of care for her patients. As a dental health professional and an American Indian, Ms. Velazquez is a positive role model for the youth in her community. As the RDH scholarship recipient, Ms. Velazquez received \$2,000 to cover the cost of attending the conference (registration, lodging, and travel). The DSC congratulates Ms. Velazquez on being this year's scholarship recipient and commends her for improving the oral health needs in the Redding Rancheria Community.



Maggie Velazquez, RDH (Redding Rancheria Tribal Health Center) at the RDH Under One Roof Conference in Grapevine, TX.

To the California Rural Indian Health Board,

I feel fortunate to have been selected by the Dental Support Center, of the California Rural Indian Health Board, to receive the 2019 Gaby Rector Scholarship. This scholarship covered travel expenses and registration costs for me to attend the 2019 RDH Under One Roof conference. The conference was action packed and offered me countless Dental Hygiene continuing education courses. Course subjects included oral systemic health, disease screening, nutrition, and patient education. It was inspiring and motivational to hear each instructor speak with passion about their subjects. I am dedicated to sharing the knowledge and skills I have learned with my dental team, and together we will make every effort to improve the oral health of our patients.

-Maggie Velazquez, RDH

Redding Rancheria Tribal Health Center



FUN FACT!

George Washington, the first president of the United States, had significant dental problems. By 1796 he had lost all but one of his teeth. He had dentures made of elephant ivory, hippopotamus tusks, and cow teeth (not wood, as you may have heard). The dentures had sharp hooks, screws, and springs that made it hard for him to smile.

Reference: Keller, L. (2003), *Open Wide—Tooth School Inside*. New York: Square Fish.

