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### **Recent/Upcoming Meetings:**

October 7, 2022

ISO Lecture for Doctors and Staff

*Hummingbird Associates--Orthodontic Practice Management Consulting*

Speakers: **Tracy Moawad** and **Cassie Kellner**

January 27, 2022

ISO Lecture for Doctors

Facial Asymmetry: What are the Limits? • Looking at bimaxillary protrusion from a different perspective • Game Changers in Open Bite Treatment.

Speaker: Dr. **Flavia Artese**, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

### **Illinois Updates:**

#### **ISDS**

- Governor Signs ISDS Workforce Legislation to address workforce shortages in the dental office. The law will take effect on January 1, 2023.
- Governor Signs Bill for Insurance Coverage for Children with Cranial Facial Anomalies. Health insurance companies will be required to provide coverage for the medically necessary care and treatment of cleft lip and palate for children under 19. The effective date is set for January 1, 2024.
- State of Illinois maintains Executive Order requiring dental offices to test unvaccinated staff weekly and require universal masking in the office.
- ISDS submitted a letter to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) in response to proposal by Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation that would change the Illinois Dental Practice Act regarding on-site emergency kits, telehealth provisions, and changes to anesthesia requirements.

#### **ISO**

**Defining our future:** ISO is trying to determine how to improve attendance at live CE meetings. We have changed format to a half-day meeting, trying a Friday meeting versus Monday, changed venues to determine a good fit for our organization, hosted a wine and

cheese social hour after one meeting, and are working on different types of speakers that are pertinent to a wider audience. We are focusing on quality speakers and trying to determine topics that will be appealing to new and younger dentists.

**Board Structure:** The board is developing committees to simplify/streamline tasks for future officers. A “buddy system” for trustees to partner with officers to get exposed to each committee is being drafted.

**University Relations:**

- University of Illinois Chicago – over 400 applicants to residency and 60 interviews are pending.
- Southern Illinois University – starting a New Residency Program offering 2 resident positions. Application deadline is December.

Congratulations to Dr. **Randall Markarian** as the new 8th district Trustee to the ADA representing Illinois. As he serves the ADA, I look forward to stepping into his role as the Illinois Director to MSO. I have been a trustee with the Illinois State Dental Society and look forward to maintaining communication between our specialty and the ISDS.

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