

The New Mexico Dental Hygienists' Association wants to thank you for participating in our membership survey and would like to share the results of that survey with you!

- o 75% of respondents believe that participation in a professional association is important.
- 87.5% believe a professional association adds value to their profession.
- We learned that approximately 50% of RDHs felt they were "very aware" of the benefits provided to professional members.
- You told us that NMDHA can add value by providing more CE opportunities, more networking, volunteer & advocacy. We listened!
  - CE Opportunities for 2024:
    - March 16<sup>th</sup>: Super CE Saturday. In person & virtual. 7 CEs including infection control & opportunity to renew CPR.
    - July 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>: Summer Splash CEs. Live Zoom Webinars. 1hr CE each evening. More information on topics/speakers coming soon!
    - October 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>: Scientific Session. In person & virtual. 14 CEs.
  - NMDHA is always working to advocate for the profession of dental hygiene and increase our scope of practice. If there is something you would like to see passed in NM, contact us to see how you can help our committee on Regulation and Practice move dental hygiene in New Mexico forward! Currently, NMDHA supports licensure portability via interstate compacts.
- We know that cost plays a big role in the decision of membership and for many it may be costly. In response, ADHA has recently made possible the ability to split annual costs into quarterly payments. This means you can make 4 payments of approximately \$75!
  Professional membership is important to protect our profession and scope of practice, while advocating for hygienists to practice at the top of their licenses.