

NSDA News Brief - February 3, 2021

Dispatch: NS Government News Release: Update on Nova Scotia's COVID-19 Immunization Plan, Majority of dentists eager to help deliver COVID-19 vaccines. . . And More

Nova Scotia Government News Release: Update on Nova Scotia's COVID-19 Immunization Plan

This afternoon, the province issued a news release with an update on Nova's COVID-19 Immunization Plan stating that dentists and dental hygienists will continue to be prioritized in phase 2:

https://novascotia.ca/news/release/?id=20210203009

Majority of dentists eager to help deliver COVID-19 vaccines

As referenced in the most recent <u>President's Message to Members Re: COVID-19 (#20)</u>, over half of the NSDA's membership replied to our one-question survey on willingness to be part of vaccine delivery to the Nova Scotia public, with 88% indicating their willingness to take part. On Monday, the NSDA issued a media release promoting the profession's willingness to assist in delivering COVID-19 vaccines. Read the release <u>here</u>.

Here's some of the media coverage the NSDA has received:

- Nova Scotia dentists seek role in COVID-19 vaccine rollout
- Vaccination numbers low in NS
- NS dentists eager to provide COVID-19 vaccinations

NSDA Online Member Community – A community for Nova Scotia dentists

The Online Member Community has proven to be a valuable NSDA member benefit during the COVID-19 pandemic and has allowed members to connect with their colleagues about practice advice and issues affecting dentistry in Nova Scotia.

Here are a few tips and reminders to keep the online community working well for everyone:

- Make sure you follow the community's Terms and Conditions.
- Keep your posts respectful. Don't disparage anyone and avoid including names or other identifying information.
- Make sure thoughts and opinions are your own.
- Remember that it's a community for NSDA members only. The posts
 are for your eyes only and discussions and materials should not be
 shared.

Thank you for your help in keeping your Online Member Community a great place to be!

Save the Date: June 10 – 12, 2021 Atlantic Virtual Dental Convention

We are in the midst of planning the FIRST Atlantic Virtual Dental Convention.

The NSDA is collaborating with the other Atlantic Provinces Dental Associations (NLDA, NBDS, and DAPEI) to host the 2021 convention online. The convention will be filled with online courses, various social events, wellness activities, trade show exhibits and will finish off with our annual business meeting. This is one you don't want to miss!

While registration is not open just yet, we want to let you know as much information as we can so you're sure to save the date in your calendars.

SAVE THE DATE

2021 Atlantic Virtual Dental Convention (AVDC)

June 10 – 12, 2021

View the attached event poster.

Dental management of individuals with dysphagia

Any dentist or dental hygienist licensed in Nova Scotia who see patients in practice at least one day per week is invited to complete an anonymous online research survey conducted by researchers at Dalhousie Faculty of Dentistry and Health, concerning dental management of individuals with dysphagia in Nova Scotia. The survey should take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete. Your participation in this survey is entirely voluntary and all responses will be anonymous. To thank you for your participation, you may choose to be entered into a draw for one of two \$50 gift cards.

If you have any questions, please send to them to Kimberley Fairman at km770223@dal.ca

To learn more about this study and to complete the survey, please click the link to continue:

https://surveys.dal.ca/opinio/s?s=58939









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