



NSDA News Brief - Oct 15th 2020

Reminder — MSI Children's Oral Health Program Survey

Last month, the NSDA held a virtual “town hall” event to provide an opportunity for membership to air concerns over the current state of the MSI Children’s Oral Health Program (COHP). There were many possible collective actions proposed, and chief among them was the suggestion that the NSDA needs to determine the level of impact the current program tariff has on dental practices before proceeding further. The NSDA Table Officers Committee has developed the following survey and hopes all members will take a few minutes to complete it. **The deadline to complete the survey is the end of the day on Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020.**

Access the survey at the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PQY99TM>

CDA Response to Sun Life Changes

Enclosed with this edition of Dispatch are two (2) resources for members regarding recent changes announced by Sun Life. One of these resources is a letter from CDA to dentists, and the other is information you can use with patients who have Sun Life coverage. Thank you to all the NSDA members and their office staff who alerted us to the Sun Life communications.

- Click [here](#) for the letter from CDA to dentists
- Click [here](#) for the patient information sheet

UPDATE: Important Information for all Interim Federal Health Program Health-Care Providers, Temporary Document for Lost/Stolen Refugee Protection Claimant Document due to COVID-19

Attached is an important bulletin from Immigration Canada regarding lost/stolen Refugee Protection Claimant Documents (RPCD).

If you have further questions, contact information is provided within the attached document.

Click [here](#) to view the bulletin.

Reminder – Wellness Webinar, Tuesday, Oct. 20

A friendly reminder of the upcoming wellness webinar on Tuesday, Oct. 20 with Dr. Jackie Kinley on managing difficult emotions. The webinar is the third in the four-part series taking place every Tuesday in October.

Time: 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

To attend live:

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84505196398> Meeting ID: 845 0519 6398

Questions?

Contact the NSDA at nsda@eastlink.ca or 902-420-0088.

Message from BlueLight Analytics

BlueLight is a Nova Scotian company looking to talk to dentists that would be interested in helping us drive innovation in dentistry using technology.

We are not looking to sell anything during these sessions, just to add value to our current product line. Any information provided will not be shared with outside parties and participants will be rewarded with a \$50 honorarium for their time.

If you are interested please [use this link to book a time that works for you](#) or email Andrea Elliott: elliott@bluelightanalytics.com.

Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites — Medical Patient and Healthcare Hero Rates

The Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites is pleased to extend NSDA and members a special **patient rate** for individuals with medical appointments, their caregivers and families. This rate is **\$99.00 for a 1 night stay in a Classic Guest Room and complimentary daily underground parking** (parking traditionally is \$28.00). Identification related to the appointment is required upon check-in.

Note that a portion of the Patient rate for every night booked at that rate is donated the QEII Health Sciences Centre Foundation.

During these particularly difficult times, they have also created a **Healthcare Heroes appreciation program for healthcare workers, first responders and other essential workers**. The rate is available for work or leisure and is **\$70.00 for a 1 night stay in a Classic Guest Room including complimentary underground parking** (parking traditionally is \$28.00). All the individual needs to do is provide identification regarding their work as a healthcare worker, first responder or other essential worker when they check-in.

Attached is their Medical Patient Rate Flyer and Healthcare Hero Rate Flyer. For ease of booking, each flyer includes a direct link to book the corresponding rate on their website. Reservations can also be booked online at www.lordnelsonhotel.com using the promo codes listed on each flyer (Medical Patient Rate: HOSPPRO, Healthcare Hero Rate: REST) or by contacting the hotel directly at 1 (800) 565-2020, (902) 423-6331, or ask@lordnelsonhotel.com.

- Click [here](#) to view the Medical Patient Rate Flyer
- Click [here](#) to view the Healthcare Hero Rate Flyer

Does a Difference in Career Satisfaction Exist Between Clinicians Practicing in a Corporately Owned Clinic Compared to a Privately-Owned Clinic Within Atlantic Canada?

You are invited to complete an anonymous, online survey conducted by researchers at the Dalhousie Faculty of Dentistry to compare the career satisfaction between clinicians practicing in corporately owned dental clinics and privately owned clinics within Atlantic Canada. The survey should take approximately 5 minutes to complete. Your participation in this survey is entirely

voluntary and all responses will be anonymous. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the lead researcher at sc777853@dal.ca

Survey link: <https://surveys.dal.ca/opinio/s?s=58416>

East Coast Endodontic Study Club 2021

See the [attached](#) document for information about the 2021 offerings.



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