

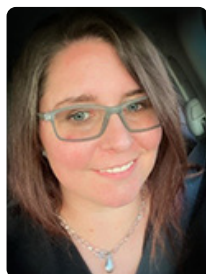
News and Views

June 9, 2023

OSHA Compliance

8:30 AM - 11:30 PM • Adams Pointe Conference Center of Courtyard by Marriott
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**Sarah Stream, MPH, CDA,
CDIPC, FADAA**
3 CE Credit Hours



Ms. Stream is an Infection Preventionist at Nebraska Medicine for the Nebraska ICAP Team as a Dental Infection Control and Education Specialist. Her recent efforts have been on promoting dental infection control and COVID-19 based prevention and mitigation with the new *Nebraska ICAP Dental Outreach Program*. Sarah has been in dentistry since 2007, holding the positions of Dental Assistant, Dental Lab Tech, Dental Office Manager, and Dental Educator. She currently holds the certifications of *Dental Infection Prevention and Control (OSAP/ DANB)* and *Certified Dental Assistant (DANB)*. She recently completed the Fellowship program through the *American Dental Assistants Association* earning the title of Fellow of the *American Dental Assistants Association (FADAA)*. After receiving her Masters of Public Health degree from *Benedictine University* in 2019, she was motivated to expand her reach to support dental practices everywhere in infection control and has been able to do so through her time with Nebraska ICAP, working closely with the Nebraska DHHS and the CDC.

OSHA Lecture

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- Discuss the need for OSHA compliance in the dental setting
- Identify OSHA Hazard Communications Standard and employer requirements
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- Discuss high risk areas in the dental setting and mitigation strategies to keep your employees safe

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Upcoming Meetings

Greater Kansas City Dental Society:

June 9, 2023 – *Continuing Education Meeting.* 8:30 AM-12:00 PM Ms. Sarah Stream presents a half-day OSHA compliance lecture. *Adams Pointe Conference Center*; Blue Springs, MO. \$90 per member dentist/\$110 for non-member dentist/\$45 per staff member, if paying for individual course. Program included in Season Underwriter subscription. RSVP to Sam at gkcds@att.net or 816.737.5353.

Other Meetings:

June 22-24, 2023 – *MDA Connect 4 Success Meeting.* Bring your family and come join your colleagues for CE, social events, and more! *Margaritaville Lake Resort*, Lake of the Ozarks, MO. Schedule of events, more info, and to register, visit: <https://www.modental.org/meetings-events/connect-4-success>.

June 24, 2023 – *MDA House of Delegates Meeting.* 1 PM and concludes by end of day. *Margarita Lake Resort*, Lake of the Ozarks, MO. All members invited to attend.



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From the President . . .

As I sit down to write this article, it seems spring has finally arrived. The grass is green, the sky is blue, the flowers are blooming, and it seems summer is right around the corner. For many of us, this one of the busier times of year. School concerts, graduation ceremonies, and awards banquets are all on the horizon. It's a time to start fresh, clean the clutter in our houses, and reset before the busy summer begins.

I was thinking recently about how cool it is that our group is filled with many members in all seasons of our careers. In fact, our society recently hosted its annual *Progress into the Future* event for D3 and D4 dental students. I was lucky enough to host these students for an hour in my practice and seeing their bright, hopeful faces in the "spring" of their careers gave me renewed energy that I really needed. I had a blast meeting the students and listening to their insightful questions. Looking back, it's an event I desperately wish I could have participated as a student and I'm so glad we are able to provide the opportunity. Thank you so much to all of our members, staff, and faculty members who put in the hard work to make it all happen!

As we approach summer, MDA is hosting their annual *Connect4Success* meeting on June 22-24, 2023 at *Margaritaville Resort*. It's a great opportunity for all of us to catch up with other members, get some great CE, and enjoy the

summer days by the lake. The annual *House of Delegates* meeting is also taking place that weekend. Our delegation is excited to represent our component and would love to hear any ideas for resolutions that any member may have! Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any great ideas to make our society and our profession better.

I hope everyone has a chance to enjoy a wonderful summer season doing the things you all love most!



Dr. Katie Oatman



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Dr. Wendy Weimer
MDA Trustee

MDA Report from your Trustee . . .

Spring has sprung! Well, hopefully by the time this is published it will have. Right now it is very hit or miss. Not that anyone asked, but my spring has been great. For the first time in 20 years, I was able to actually take a spring break and it was amazing! I highly recommend it.

So, before I go off on a tangent about how relaxed I am, let's hit the *MDA* Board highlights. Don't forget to sign up for *Connect4Success*. This will be held at *MargaritaVille* in the Lake of the Ozarks starting June 22-24, 2023. For the first time, the *MDA* House of Delegates will also be held at this venue starting on June 24, 2023. As always, if any member has an idea they would like to put forward at the house, please let me or Sam Silvey know. We can make that happen for you.

The *Missouri Dental Board* has made some recent considerations and changes in how we will be able to practice in this state. The first consideration, should it be approved, will allow for hygienists to see patients and use local anesthesia under general supervision. The second change has been officially approved as of April 14th, and it will allow the creation of a pilot project that establishes an Oral Preventative Assistant (OPA). This will be an Expanded Function Dental Assistant trained in simple periodontal procedures, such as supragingival scaling. It will require an assistant to not only pass the Basic Skills Exam to take the training class, but to pass that class as well and receive a permit before any procedures can be done. Both of these changes were brought forth to address the workforce shortage that everyone is feeling right now, especially rural dentists. I understand both these changes are controversial and the *MDA* is sensitive to that. Since the second is a pilot project, the board and the *MDA* welcomes letters addressing them, both for and against. If you have any questions on whom to send them to, you can email me (wendyweimer@yahoo.com) and I can get you the addresses.

Remember, I am always available for any questions or comments. Hope you all have a great summer and I'll see you in June at *Connect4Success*.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING • February 10, 2023

The regular meeting of the *Greater Kansas City Dental Society* was called to order Friday, February 10, 2023 at *Adam's Pointe Conference Center* in Blue Springs, MO by President, Dr. Katie Oatman at approximately 12:35 PM.

Dr. Oatman thanked everyone for being there and reminded everyone to pick up your CE credit slips at the registration table and to retain in your files. The next meeting will be on Friday, March 24th, 2023 at *Adams Pointe Conference Center* featuring Dr. Kelly Suchman speaking about cariology.

Please complete the survey at the end of the program and give to Sam with your feedback.

Dr. Oatman introduced Richard Ray of *United Healthcare* and Jerri Wildhaber of *MDIS* for partially sponsoring the program and encouraged everyone to talk with them.

Dr. Oatman welcomed all new guests, members, and Season Underwriters. We are glad to have you!

Dr. Oatman asked for approval of the January 13th, 2023 minutes as printed in the *Midwestern Dentist News and Views*. Seconded; minutes approved.

Dr. Oatman introduced Dr. David Suchman so he could give a brief presentation and request for volunteers for the *Dental Lifeline Network/Donated Dental Services* program. There currently is a waitlist of a couple hundred patients that need to get treated and it would be so helpful if every dentist in the room accepted at least one patient. You get to do the dental work in your own office and the dental labs work with the program and you to donate the needed materials. Typically, the patient base for this volunteer program is older, medically-compromised individuals who do not have the means to pay for the needed dental work. The program was inception in MO in 1999, and has since donated over \$14 million in dental service. There are pamphlets being passed around and at the registration table. Also, their website is <https://dentallifeline.org/missouri/>. Please consider signing up today!

Dr. Oatman announced that the *MDA Day at the Capitol* is March 1st. Please sign-up on www.modental.org and let Sam know you plan on coming. Your support in all legislative activities is so helpful!

In old business, Dr. Oatman thanked everyone whom hosted a *Give Kids a Smile* program earlier in the month.

Dr. Oatman called for any other business; as there was none, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:43 PM.

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Here & Now

by Sam Silvey
Executive Director, GKCDs



Hello from your sneezing Executive Director! Spring is here, and so are my allergies! However, I will take the warm temperatures with itchiness over 20 degrees and snow any day!

Speaking of warmer weather, we got lucky and Mother Nature was kind to us by having a beautiful day for our annual trip down to Jefferson City for the *MDA Lobby Day* on Wednesday, March 1st. Drs. Jeremy Bowen, Aaron Bumann, Richard Campos, Merle Nunemaker, Robert Tait, and Wendy Weimer attended from the GKCDs and met with legislators in the capitol. Various legislation of interest was mostly insurance-based. A big thank you to the above listed members

for attending and helping protect and be a steward of the profession of dentistry. Also, thank you to the *MDA* for organizing the appointments and event and for always being vigilant in monitoring important pertinent legislation. Please see photos below.

The next week, we hosted our annual *UMKC SOD* student outreach event, *Progress Into Your Future*. It was so enjoyable to engage with the 16 students, and to show them three private practices in the Independence and Lee's Summit area. The students enjoyed a progressive dinner at the offices of Dr. Ashley Deacy of *Dental Arts*, Dr. Katie Oatman of *Oatman Family Dentistry*, and Drs. Jungmeyer & Nunemaker of *Jungmeyer & Suresh Enterprises*. All offices had wonderful engagement and feedback after the event was nothing but positive. Thank you to the hosting dentists for opening up your offices to the students and also to our program sponsors: *Engage Advisors*, *MDIS*, *PNC Bank*, and the *MDA*. Thanks to Drs. Wendy Weimer and Garret Cochran for joining us as well as Paul Roberts and Jerri Wildhaber, too for coming up from Jefferson City to attend and help out!

Please see pictures on the back page of this fun event!



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