



# Connecticut State Dental Association

## Message from the President

*May 18, 2020*

Dear CSDA Members,

Earlier this afternoon, Governor Lamont released the document “Best Practices for Dental Offices Considering Expanding Operations Beyond Emergency Care,” which provides additional guidance for dental practices planning to provide non-emergency dental care. [Click here to access the CT Best Practices document.](#)

The best practices outlined are not intended to replace or supersede any regulatory requirements, but are provided to summarize and clarify **interim best practice guidelines** for initial practice expansion during the pandemic. Many of the recommendations contained in the document are based on the “ADA Return to Work Interim Guidance Toolkit,” such as training your staff before opening, making adjustments to physical spaces and PPE guidelines.

I ask that you please take some time to download and fully review the information in the “Best Practices for Dental Offices” document. Once you review the document, we anticipate that you will have some immediate questions, so we have included a [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\) document](#) to provide additional perspective on selected recommendations.

In addition, I invite you to join me tomorrow, Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m. for a virtual “Town Hall” to review the **Best-Practices for Dental Offices** document. This virtual Town Hall will allow our CSDA members the opportunity to ask the questions that are most important to you. [Click here to register.](#) As with our other virtual offerings, this Town Hall will be recorded and available online if you are not able to participate.

Be well,

Sincerely,  
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CSDA President