

President's Message

The lilacs are starting to bloom, could it finally be spring?

IDHA has been busy working for the Illinois Dental Hygienists! Legislation is still going on, we are waiting to see the next steps for our bill in the senate. AS of yesterday, there are now 7 states that have passed the compact, making it a reality. We will continue to put Illinois joining this compact as a goal for IDHA. Talking to your legislators will help them to understand better what this bill is about. There is a lot of misinformation out there. If you have any questions, please reach out. Go to <https://ddhcompact.org/> for the most updated information.

With the warm weather, health fairs and dental education opportunities arrive. We have a couple health fairs we plan on attending and are always happy to have volunteers. If you know of a health fair, or would like to volunteer, reach out to publichealthidha@gmail.com.

Keep an eye on the events calendar at <https://idha.net/> to see the schedule and volunteer.

IDHA is planning a new graduate Continuing education opportunity! Sponsored by the Membership committee. All SADHA members are invited.

Come listen to Carol Jahn discuss **Tips for Securing Your First RDH Position** on May 30, 2024 7:00 PM CDT. Please register for at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2023518548616654943>

Event is free, no CEUs. Even seasoned RDHs will benefit from this information.

Coming up soon is one of my personal favorite holidays and in keeping with the Star Wars theme,

MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU!!!!

