



**California Dental Association**

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**CDA Board of Directors Meeting Summary  
May 7, 2024**

State Dental Director Acknowledgement: Jayanth Kumar, DDS, MPH, recently retired from the California Department of Public Health after nearly nine years as state dental director. The board invited Dr. Kumar to join the beginning of the meeting in order to acknowledge his significant contributions to the state of California, including making oral health a priority in the state's health agenda and collaborating with partners and stakeholders to guide statewide programs in California and throughout the country. The board commended Dr. Kumar for his service and dedication to the dental profession.

Strategic Objectives/Future Forecasting: The board received updates on the following strategic objectives:

- The strategic plan presentation that was requested by the 2023 house of delegates will be distributed in the May 13<sup>th</sup> Executive Bulletin, encouraging that it be shared with local leaders.
- CDA is actively working with Edge Research on the next member survey, which will be focused on dental benefits and membership value.
- Ongoing discussions regarding the ADA membership model pilot and dental service organizations.
- Financial forecasting related to dues setting.

Legislative Update: The board received updates regarding AB 2028 (dental loss ratio bill) sponsored by CalAOMS that is not moving forward, and SB 1369 (virtual credit card legislation) that passed the Senate Health Committee hearing.

The board took additional actions of an operational nature, which are reflected on the meeting agenda and will be recorded in the official minutes.