

ADEA BFACA Meeting 2025

“Unity: Moving Forward Together”

The annual ADEA Sections on Business and Financial Administration and Clinic Administration (ADEA BFACA) Meeting brings together professionals from both the business and clinic administration areas of dental education to foster collaboration, share best practices and address the complex challenges facing academic dental institutions and clinical environments. As the oral health professions continue to navigate economic uncertainties, including the reduction of Medicaid funding, it is imperative that both financial and clinical departments unite in solving these pressing issues.

The 2025 ADEA BFACA Meeting—*Unity: Moving Forward Together*—focuses on the power of collaboration, emphasizing how these two integral functions of academic dental institutions can work together to innovate, strategize and move the community forward. Through interactive discussions, real-world case studies and expert-led sessions, participants will gain practical insights into managing uncertainty, optimizing resource allocation and breaking down knowledge barriers to create a more unified and resilient dental education environment. Join colleagues to *Move Forward Together* on Oct. 19-21 in vibrant and majestic Colorado Springs, CO. There, we will underscore the powerful connection and the shared responsibility of both financial administrators and clinical leaders in overcoming the industry’s most significant obstacles. Together, we will explore actionable solutions for creating stronger, more adaptive dental institutions in our ever-changing landscape.

Learning Objectives

- 1. Foster cross-functional collaboration:** Participants will learn how to bridge the gap between business finance administration and clinic administration to create unified strategies for tackling industry-wide challenges, including fiscal constraints and clinical resource management.
- 2. Navigate uncertainty:** Attendees will explore practical approaches to managing uncertainty in both the financial and clinical domains, including best practices for adjusting to funding cuts, particularly from Medicaid, while maintaining high-quality patient care and operational efficiency.
- 3. Use strategic planning:** Align the mission, vision, goals and objectives to address new challenges in education, research, health and oral health. Develop sustainable strategies to achieve this and develop metrics to measure and ensure success.
- 4. Enhance knowledge sharing and problem-solving:** Through collaborative discussions and case studies, participants will gain techniques for breaking down complex issues, sharing knowledge across departments and implementing best practices that address both financial sustainability and clinical excellence.