ADEA Council of Hospitals and Advanced Education Programs: Turf Wars!

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The Department of Dental Anesthesiology is a group of highly committed individuals dedicated to the education and training of dental students, dentists and dentist anesthesiologists in the best principles and practices of dental anesthesiology.
Vision Statement

- Our goal is to be the premier academic center for innovation and excellence in dental anesthesiology.

- We will:
  - Foster ethics and professionalism, and leadership through example
  - Dedicate ourselves to excellence in education, patient care, and research
  - Strive to always ensure the well-being and safety of all of our patients, with special consideration for children, the elderly and infirm, and those with special health care needs
  - Maintain and nurture our interprofessional associations
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Predoctoral Courses

- Local anesthesia
- Pain and anxiety control
  - Prescription writing
  - Nitrous oxide
- Medical emergencies
  - Didactic
  - High-fidelity human simulation
- Enteral sedation
- Clinical medicine
Selective Courses

- **Intravenous moderate sedation**
  - Conforms to ADA Guidelines
  - Clinical competency available
- **Independent study**
Influence of Additional Predoctoral Anesthesia Education on General Dentists’ Treatment of Patients with Special Needs

Postgraduate Courses

- Medical emergencies
- Principles of sedation and anesthesia

3-year dental anesthesiology residency program
- 4 residents per year
- CODA accredited
- GME funded
Dental Anesthesiology Residency Training: Minimum Clinical Experiences

- 800 (500) total cases of deep sedation/general anesthesia to include:
  - 300 (200) intubated general anesthetics of which at least 50 are nasal intubations and 25 (20) incorporate advanced airway management techniques
  - 125 (100) children age 7 and under
  - 75 (50) patients with special needs

(Numbers in parentheses represent the case requirements for previous 2-year training programs)
Distribution of Dentist Anesthesiologists in the United States and Canada
## Duties of a Dentist Anesthesiologist

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