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### **American Dental Hygienists' Association Announces New Leadership for 2019-20**

**CHICAGO, July 8, 2019** – On June 25, the American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA) installed Matt Crespin, MPH, RDH, of New Berlin, Wisconsin, as the organization's 2019-20 president, along with ADHA's new slate of officers for the upcoming year.

"It is time that we take the necessary steps to address how our organization is governed to ensure that we appropriately represent the profession," Crespin said. "I want to continue to see an even higher level of engagement of our membership beyond our elected leaders, delegates and committee members. People want to be a part of something bigger, and being involved and engaging is one way to gain that feeling."

An ADHA member since his graduation in 2002, Crespin has served the association in a wide range of positions, including most recently as president-elect and previously as vice president; District VII trustee; member of the executive and finance committees, committee on minutes review and board policy and procedures committee; and board coach. He also served his constituent and component in numerous leadership roles that include Wisconsin delegate, vice president and speaker of the House. The Wisconsin Dental Hygienists' Association honored him with the Carol Benson Award for Distinguished Service to Dental Hygiene in 2016.

Crespin holds a Bachelor of Science degree in health sciences/dental hygiene from Marquette University and received his Community Dental Health certificate from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in 2007. He received his Master of Science degree in public health from A.T. Still University in 2010. He currently serves as associate director of Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin, which is affiliated with the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.

Crespin succeeds Michele Braerman, RDH, MS, of Fallston, Maryland, as president. Braerman will remain on the Board of Trustees serving both as ADHA immediate past president as well as the 2019-20 chair of the ADHA Institute for Oral Health.

Additional ADHA officers newly installed at ADHA's House of Delegates meeting include:

- Lisa Moravec, RDH, MSDH, of Scottsbluff, Nebraska, as president-elect;
- Sharlee Burch, RDH, MPH, EdD, of Lexington, Kentucky, as vice president; and
- Chadleo Webb, RDH, MDH, of Hilliard, Ohio, as treasurer.

The newly installed district trustees for 2019-20 are:

- E. Jane Crocker, RDH, of Baldwinville, Massachusetts, District I (Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont);
- Elizabeth Tronolone, RDH, BS, MOL, of Sylvania, Ohio, District V (Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio);
- Lynda Bean, RDH, BSDH, of Salado, Texas, District IX (Oklahoma, New Mexico, Texas).

District trustees returning in 2019-20 include:

- Donna Lee Hickey, RDH, of Bethpage, New York, District II (Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania);
- Dawn Ann Dean, RDH, MSDH, of Wheeling, West Virginia, District III (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia);
- Becky Smith, CRDH, EdD, of Miami, Florida, District IV (Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina)
- Danielle Victoriano, RDH, BS, MHS, of Slidell, Louisiana, District VI (Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee);
- Rachelle Gustafson, RDH, of Thompson, North Dakota, District VII (Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin);
- Erin Haley-Hitz, RDH, MS, PhRDH, Om, of Lincoln, Nebraska, District VIII (Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska);
- Crystal Spring, RDH, BS, of Bozeman, Montana, District X (Colorado, Montana, Utah, Wyoming);
- Trinity Cleveland, RDH, of Chandler, Arizona, District XI (Arizona, California);
- Annette Lincicome, RDH, MSDH, of Las Vegas, Nevada, District XII (Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington).

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### **About the American Dental Hygienists' Association**

The American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA) is the largest national organization representing the professional interests of more than 185,000 dental hygienists across the country. Dental hygienists are preventive oral health professionals, licensed in dental hygiene, who provide educational, clinical and therapeutic services that support total health through the

promotion of optimal oral health. For more information about ADHA, dental hygiene or the link between oral health and general health, visit ADHA at [www.adha.org](http://www.adha.org).