

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

OVERSIGHT

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

COMPOSITION

The Legislative Committee shall be composed of the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past President. Additional members of the General Assembly may be appointed by the President to serve on this committee. The President will appoint a Chair of this committee at the beginning of the President's term. The Chair may be any Voting Member of the Association including a BOD officer.

DUTIES

1. Create a long-range plan for legislative affairs and accept directives and recommendations from the Board of Directors and the General Assembly. The input received shall be incorporated into the Strategic Plan.
2. Ensure that the dental hygiene profession maintains its position as the principal licensed health care practitioner of dental hygiene services.
3. Prepare quarterly reports and an annual report of committee activities.
4. Assist Lobbyist in maintaining a presence at the State Capitol when appropriate.
5. Be familiar with key state legislators in leadership positions.
6. Be familiar with senate and house committees that may affect dental hygiene issues.
7. Have a working knowledge of the Indiana Practice Act and Administrative Rules.
8. Communicate with ADHA governmental affairs.
9. Orchestrate a legislative campaign (when appropriate) to include:
 - a) Activating the legislative communication network.
 - b) Preparing messages for member action.
 - c) Preparing/giving testimony at hearings.
 - d) Developing appropriate legislative messages for legislators.
 - e) Monitoring/proposing legislation.
10. Monitor/propose regulatory changes.
11. Report on legislative activities through IDHA communications (Quarterly Newsletter & website, email blasts, etc.).
12. Prepare messages for interaction with legislators.
13. Assist members in preparing messages to legislators.
14. Coordinate component Legislative Forums, if needed.
15. Solicit and mentor members who are interested in legislative activities.
16. Communicate with IDA, IDAA, and other health organizations when possible to create a collaborative effort when creating a legislative initiative.
17. Submit names of Legislators to the HI-PAC Committee who show support of IDHA Legislative Affairs. (Always seek input from the Lobbyist prior to submitting any names to the HI-PAC Committee.)
18. Be knowledgeable of the status of/changes in dental hygiene programs and the development of any new dental hygiene programs.
19. Consult with the IDHA Lobbyist to determine if an IDHA Lobby Day is appropriate each year. Present a proposed budget to the Finance Committee to determine financial viability. If funds are available, present a plan of action to the BOD for approval.