



# Alaska Dental Society

## Governmental Affairs

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### 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- **Insurance:** Removed clause from HB372 that would have required insurance company approval of treatment plans for both covered and non-covered services. Provided support to pass HB374, which removes high risk individuals for the insurance exchange pool lowering premiums for healthy individuals.
- **Healthcare reform:** Increased window for time exemption for mandatory schedule II and III prescription look up to 48 hours
- **Telemedicine:** Removed dentistry from professions telemedicine will be allowed for
- **Medicaid:** Restored funding to Adult Supplemental Dental Medicaid

- **Sedation:** Alerted membership to changes in sedation regulations, hosted Town Hall meeting to review changes, requested Board give additional time for comment by dentists
- **Licensure:** Requested Board increase number of regional exams accepted for Licensure by Examination
- **Non Dentist Owned Practices:** Requested Board enforce statute prohibiting ownership of dental offices by non-dentists

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