

Virginia Dental Association  
48<sup>th</sup> House of Delegates in Brief  
September 29, 2019

1. Approved: Amend the VDA Policy Manual as follows:  
Miscellaneous Section (Pages 22-24). Add language to the section between smoking in public and fluoridation.  
  
The VDA seeks to educate and inform its members and the public about the many health hazards attributed to the use of traditional, ~~and~~ non-traditional tobacco, **and other inhaled** products, including but not limited to e-cigarettes, e cigarette cartridges, snus, dissolvable tobacco, tobacco gels, and other products made or derived from tobacco. These health hazards include the inhalation of any substance that is smoked or vaporized.
2. Approved: The Council on Government Affairs recommends that the VDA pursue legislation to be presented to the 2020 VA General Assembly that would define teledentistry.
3. Approved: The Council on Government Affairs recommends that the VDA pursue legislation that would allow dentists to administer vaccines, ~~not necessarily to be presented to the 2020 VA General Assembly. In addition, the CGA~~ **and** recommends that the already formed subcommittee begin working on specific content and language for the proposed legislation several months prior to introducing.
4. Approved: **To approve the 2020** ~~2019~~ Budget as amended by the Board of Directors.
5. Approved: Resolved, that in consideration of existing policy on standards for ~~dental~~ benefit plans, the challenge of a dental treatment plan by a third-party claims analysis is considered diagnosis. ~~thereby~~ **This** constitutes the practice of dentistry, which can only be performed by a dentist licensed in the state **Commonwealth of Virginia** ~~in which the procedures are performed~~, who has equivalent training with that of the treating dentist, and carries with it full liability. ~~and~~ **Be** it further ~~R~~ **resolved**, that the formulations or alteration of a treatment plan without a dental clinical examination of the patient by a dentist legally authorized to practice in **Virginia** ~~the state in which the patient is treated~~ should be prohibited, and be it further resolved, that the VDA urges the Virginia Board of Dentistry to pursue legislation and/or regulations to meet this end.
6. Approved: Whereas the Virginia Dental Association will mirror the American Dental Association dues structure and refer it to the Constitutions & Bylaws and Finance Committees and for those Committees Treasurer. The Treasurer then will present its work back to the VDA Board for approval and to serve proper notice to the membership prior to the 2020 House of Delegates meeting.
7. Approved: Resolved, that the Virginia Dental Association will follow the American Dental Association's recommendation and sign onto the Coalition for Modernizing Dental Licensure at the supporter level, **to be reviewed annually.**