

2026 HDA ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, Oct. 2, 2026

REGISTRATION / EXHIBITORS / BREAKFAST

REGISTRATION AREA / PACIFIC GRAND BALLROOM FOYER

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Special Care Dentistry Panel

PACIFIC GRAND BALLROOM

8:30-10:00 AM

SPEAKERS: Dr. Oscar Padilla, Dr. Martha Forero, & Dr. Rosalyn Sulyanto **MODERATOR:** Dr. Maritza Morell

CE CREDITS: 1.5

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Renaissance Boston Seaport District Hotel
606 Congress Street., Boston, MA 02210

VISIT EXHIBITORS 10:00AM - 10:30 AM

TRACK 1

Implant Dentistry for the General Dentist: Practical Strategies for Diagnosis, Treatment Planning and Restorative Success

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

10:30 AM-12:00 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Thaisa Bordin

CE CREDITS: 1.5

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TRACK 2

Dental Therapy & Dentistry and Inclusion in the Dental Field - The Impact of DACA in US Dental Schools

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

10:30 AM-12:00 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Aidee Herman & Dr. Wilber Ramirez

CE CREDITS: 1.5

TRACK 1

Elevating Smiles - A Contemporary Approach to Porcelain Laminate Veneers

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

1:30 PM-3:00 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Anabella Oquendo

CE CREDITS: 1.5

LUNCH & VISIT EXHIBITORS 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

TRACK 2

Keeping the Human Touch in a Digital World

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

1:30 PM- 3:00 PM

SPEAKER: Ms. Ali Hyatt

CE CREDITS: 1.5

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VISIT EXHIBITORS 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

TRACK 1

Dentistry for Adults with Special Needs

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Keri Discepolo

CE CREDITS: 1

TRACK 2

What Are Advanced Standing Programs Looking For?

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Ronald Perry

CE CREDITS: 1

TRACK 1

Dental Oncology & Basic Concepts in Cancer Development and Prevention

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Elba C. Diaz & Dr. Pedro Sanz A.

CE CREDITS: 1

TRACK 2

Many Roads One Profession: Career Pathways for the Internationally Trained Dentist

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

SPEAKERS: Dr. Gabriela Lagreca, Dr. Merelyn Hong, Dr. Ana Keohane & Dr. Reimy Evangelista

CE CREDITS: 1

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EXHIBITOR FLOOR

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

FOOD, MUSIC & NETWORKING



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PDS Health believes in the power of community — both within our industry and in the places we gather. There is a special opportunity to be a force for good while supporting our community.

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Let's **network, connect** and **make a real difference together** — because being social and being a force for good go hand in hand.



Open to all students and practicing clinicians.

Friday, October 2
5:30pm-7:30pm

Meeting Room: Atlantic I

Event included with annual meeting registration.
Light apps served

RSVP by registering [here](#).
Space is limited - don't miss out!

2026 HDA ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 3, 2026

REGISTRATION AREA / MAIN BALLROOM
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM



Renaissance Boston Seaport District Hotel
606 Congress Street., Boston, MA 02210

REGISTRATION / EXHIBITORS / BREAKFAST: Meet the BOLD Influencers

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Undaunted Trailblazers 2: Contemporary Men of Color Shaping Oral Health

Keynote Speakers: Dr. Todd Ester, Dr. Keith Mays, Dr. Ivan Lugo & Dr. Herminio Perez

Moderator: Dr. Ana N. Lopez

9:00AM - 10:00 AM

CE CREDITS: 1

VISIT EXHIBITORS 10:00AM - 10:30 AM

TRACK 1

Integrating Digital Dentistry and AI Applications into Daily Clinical Practice

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Carlos Escobar

CE CREDITS: 1.5

TRACK 2

Understanding Alzheimer's Disease and Autism in Dental Care: Clinical Insights and Educational Innovations

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

SPEAKERS: Dr. Karin Arsenault & Dr. Martha Forero

CE CREDITS: 1.5

LUNCH, AWARDS & VISIT EXHIBITORS 12:00PM - 2:00 PM

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TRACK 1

From Diagnosis to Yes: Interdisciplinary Treatment, Planning and Case Acceptance in Modern Dentistry

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Ancy Verdier

CE CREDITS: 1.5

TRACK 2

Contemporary Root Canal Therapy: Simplified Access, Instrumentation and Bioceramic Obturation

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

SPEAKERS: Dr. Luis C. Yepes

CE CREDITS: 1.5

TRACK 3

Leadership Seminar with HDAF

LOCATION: Atlantic 1

2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

SPEAKERS: Ms. Paula Vogel, Dr. Sarita Arteaga
& Dr. Maritza Morell

By Invitation Only - Faculty Advisors

CE CREDITS: 3.5

TRACK 1

The Dentists Role in Obstructive Sleep Apnea: Screening, Referral and Management

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Patricia Guerrero

CE CREDITS: 1

TRACK 2

The Right Questions, the Right Diagnosis: An Evidence-Based Approach to Clear Aligner Therapy and the use of Artificial Intelligence in Diagnosis and Treatment Planning

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. David Cruz Walma

CE CREDITS: 1

TRACK 1

An Ethics Primer with a Discussion of What's "Trending" in Dental Ethics

LOCATION: Atlantic 2-3

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

SPEAKER: Colonel Peter Guevara- ACD

CE CREDITS: 1

TRACK 2

Artificial Intelligence and Note Taking Had a Baby - A New Era in Comprehensive Medical Documentation

LOCATION: Pacific Grand Ballroom

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

SPEAKER: Dr. Christopher Balaban

CE CREDITS: 1

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7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
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Hispanic Dental Association Annual Meeting



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Retirement Planning



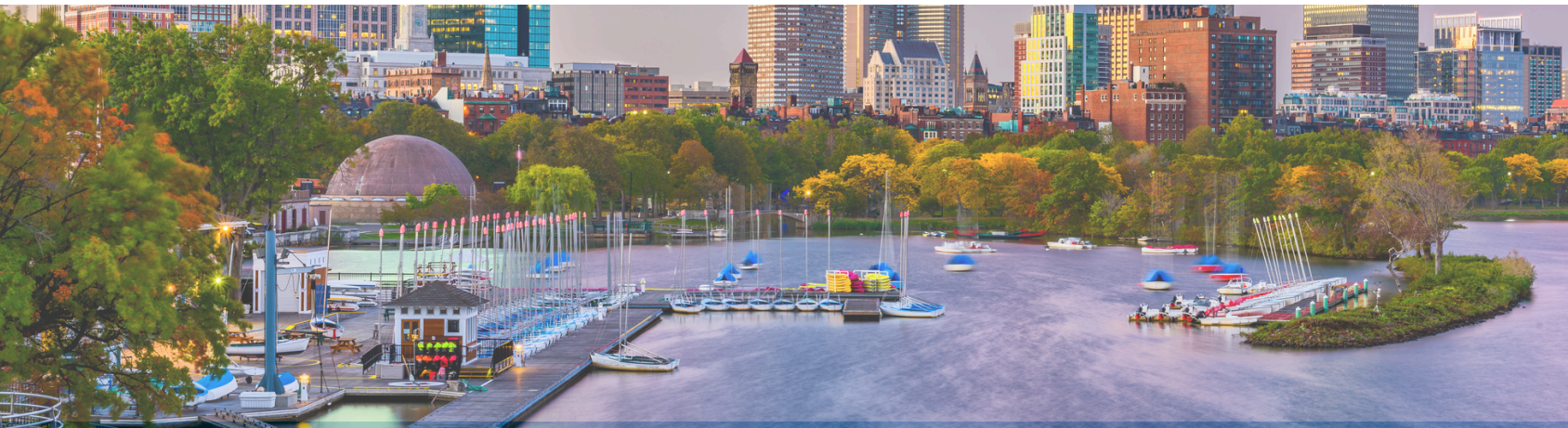
GUEST SPEAKER:

SILVIA TERGAS

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2026 HDA ANNUAL MEETING PRELIMINARY EVENT PROGRAM

The Hispanic Dental Association proudly celebrates its legacy of excellence and impact. Join us at our prestigious Annual Meeting as we honor our commitment to advancing oral healthcare within Hispanic communities and look ahead to an even brighter future.



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