

# **Special Care Dentistry Association**

## **Special Care Dental Hygiene Fellowship**

Obtaining a fellowship is a unique opportunity that Special Care Dentistry Association (SCDA) offers to dental professionals that include and/or focus their work on special care patients in both community and institutional settings. Dental Hygienists have always been recognized in SCDA as a crucial part of the team. Benefits of holding this fellowship include the ability to have a support network of other dental hygienists that face the many challenges of special care dentistry, opportunities for continuing education specifically for dental hygienists, and access to special care dental resources that have been of value to other dental hygiene fellows.

Fellowship applications are due six weeks prior to the Special Care Dentistry Association Annual Meeting. Complete applications should be emailed to the Special Care Dental Hygiene Fellowship Committee Chair. The packet should be sent in a PDF format.

Qualification includes two parts:

### Part I

- A. Practice in a Special Care environment for at least three years
- B. Membership in SCDA for at least five years
- C. Attend at least three SCDA Annual Meetings within the last five years
- D. Complete a minimum of thirty hours of Special Care CE within the last five years.
- E. A letter of recommendation from a SCDA Member in good standing.

### Part II

- A. Currently hold a Fellowship from ADPD.
- OR
- B. Complete a narrative portfolio describing their special care dentistry experience. Requirements for the portfolio are attached to this document.

If you have questions or would like more information please contact Chris Miller, Special Care Dental Hygiene Fellowship Committee Chairs ([cmiller@pacific.edu](mailto:cmiller@pacific.edu)) or the SCDA Executive Office ([scda@scdaonline.org](mailto:scda@scdaonline.org))