

1910s

- ✚ 1912 Ohio opens school for dental nurses and closes in 1914 due to licensure opposition.
 - The first dentist to suggest that women should or could be trained to clean teeth was Dr. Cyrus Mansfield Wright of Cincinnati, OH. Dr. Wright believed in the need for oral hygiene and in the establishment of an oral hygiene subspecialty. He urged the Ohio Dental College to establish a dental hygiene course and promoted the education of dental nurses in dental schools.

1920s

- ✚ The first actual OSDHA meeting was held Dec. 4-6, 1923, at the Deschler Hotel in Columbus.

1930s

- ✚ The first component was formed in Cincinnati in January 1932.

1940s

- ✚ The first post-graduate course in dental hygiene was held at OSU Oct. 27, 1946.

1950s

1960s

1970s

- ✚ Hygienists only consulting the Dental Board in the 70's.

1980s

- ✚ In 1980 we advocated to get the first hygienist appointed to OSDB.
- ✚ 1981 the Ohio Association of Orthodontists inquired whether auxiliary personnel could lawfully remove debris from teeth.
- ✚ February 1982 members voted on approval of the response letter. The letter that the board released with only the one hygienist on the board objecting stated the following:
 - Dentists (specifically, orthodontists) could lawfully delegate to dental auxiliaries, specifically Basic Qualified Personnel (BQP) the removal of cement, removal of loose bands, and removal of debris from the coronal portion of the tooth which would interfere with the

cementation or bonding process. This removal of debris may be done with any instrument or device...

- ✦ The Ohio Dental Hygienists' Association and Constance Clark filed a declaratory judgment action in the Court of Common Pleas of Franklin County seeking whether the board's letter was invalid as noncompliant with the rule-making provision.
- ✦ February 15, 1984 the trial court declared the letter to be an unlawful exercise of administrative authority and ordered the board to rescind the letter and notify all dentists of the rescission.

1990s

- ✦ In 1999 we advocated to get general supervision approved.

2000s

- ✦ In 2005 we helped increase OSDB from 1 to 3 hygienists.
- ✦ In 2007 we won our advocating efforts to be able to administer local anesthetic with another compromise of letting assistants also place sealants since hygienists were the only ones able to perform that duty outside of dentists.

2010's

- ✦ In 2010 we advocated to change the requirements from 3000 work hours to 1500 work hours for General Supervision compromises must be made to get something you must give something. I believe we had to compromise that year with ODA by agreeing to let assistants have the ability to coronal polish.
- ✦ In 2010 we advocated for monitoring be changed to administering of Nitrous Oxide.
- ✦ 2011 Ohio Oral Health Access Permit.
- ✦ 2013 Ohio Sealant Amendment.

2020's

- ✦ Advocated for RDHs to be able to apply Silver Diamine Fluoride.
- ✦ Advocated for manikin clinical dental hygiene licensing exam.
- ✦ Currently advocating for the Dentists and Dental Hygienists Interstate Compact Act.