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### **PDA's Current Legislative Issues**

Your PADPAC contribution will provide us with the resources we need to convey our message to legislators and keep those legislators who support the dental profession in office. The ability to continue advocating for issues impacting dentistry is paramount, and they include the following:

- Legislation to prohibit insurers from capping services they are not covering under their dental plans.
- Legislation that would require insurers to cover associated medical expenses when administering general anesthesia to children seven years of age and younger and special needs patients.
- Legislation giving patients' the ability to choose their dentist, regardless of whether he or she participates in insurers' plans, and have reimbursement checks issued directly from the insurance company to the dentist.
- Working with the Department of Public Welfare (DPW) and the General Assembly to enact meaningful reforms that remove financial and administrative barriers for dentists participating in the Medical Assistance program.
- Providing incentives to dentists to practice in Pennsylvania, particularly in underserved areas (e.g., tax breaks and health care practitioner student loan forgiveness).
- Monitoring the establishment of a health insurance exchange in Pennsylvania, a key component in the Affordable Care Act, and how it will impact dentistry.

Please review the information on the back of this flyer to find out how you can assist in advancing PDA's legislative goals. Please visit the Advocacy section of PDA's website or contact PDA's government relations staff at (800) 223-0016 for more information about our advocacy goals and lobbying efforts.



Dr. Denny Charlton poses with Sen. Don White (R-Indiana) during Sen. White's Annual Golf Outing.



## PDA's Legislative Victories

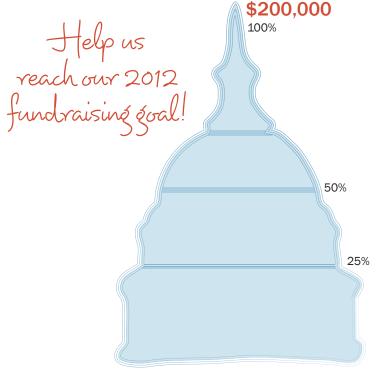
- Passed a House resolution congratulating the Pennsylvania Dental Association for its efforts to improve access to dental care for senior citizens.
- Amended legislation requiring dentists to carry malpractice insurance by including an exemption for volunteer dentists and those who practice in community health settings.
- Removed the dental profession from legislation that would have required dentists to modify their offices to comply with the requirements for ambulatory surgical facilities and imposed additional fee and regulations.
- Removed the dental profession from legislation that requires health care professionals to wear photo identification tags.
- Expanded the scope of practice for expanded function dental assistants.

# PADPAC Contribution Levels

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<sup>\*\*</sup> New dentists (1-5 years) can join the Century Club at 50 percent off.





Dr. Tom Nordone, Dr. Allen Fielding, Rep. Tom Murt (R-Montgomery) and Dr. Anand Rao at the PADPAC Reception hosted by First District.



Dr. Larry Pepper, Mrs. Theresa Pepper, Rep. Sue Helm (R-Dauphin) and her staffer, Deborah Schwartz, and Dr. Paul Allen at the Harrisburg Area Dental Society and PADPAC Casino Night.



Drs. David Larson, John Kiessling and William Spruill welcome Rep. Keith Gillespie (R-York) and his wife, Annette, to the Harrisburg Area Dental Society and PADPAC Casino Night.

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