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## COLLEGE UPDATE

### November 2014

### Greetings from the 2015 College President

Dr. Joseph R. Kenneally  
ICD International President



#### Dear Fellow

I consider myself fortunate to serve as President of the College at a time of great activity and the onset of a period of growth and program development.

#### Celebrating Sections' Anniversaries

I have been given the opportunity to represent the College at a number of milestone Anniversary years for our Sections. The 2014 meeting of the USA Section in San Antonio was its 80th year; the recent meeting of the Australasia Section in Sydney marked Section VIII's 50th year. I also plan to visit India in December for Section VI's 50th year; since Sections VI and VIII are at 50 years, I am assuming that when I visit Japan in May, that, too, will be Section VII's 50th. And finally, in Dublin, the European Section will celebrate its 60th year. I am honored to be at the right time to participate in these anniversary years.

I am not sure that every President needs a theme to his or her year, but if I were to choose one, it would be "Laying the Foundation for a Bright Future". Our Ad Hoc and Standing Committees are actively proposing positive changes that will help our College to grow and prosper. I am proud of their activities.

#### Strategic Planning

Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee has been working for nearly a year to produce a planning tool that will help guide the activities of the College for many years to come. This work has taken up a moderate amount of time, but it has been very rewarding. Although not final, some of the goals in consideration will ensure a vibrant, active, growing ICD for years to come. Goals for growth will be realistically set in communication between the Secretary General of the College and the registrars of the Sections. Each of you, our Fellows, can help the College to develop by identifying and sponsoring a deserving colleague into the College. Another goal will see that the College becomes widely known for providing educational and humanitarian services around the globe. We will also set goals and action steps that will provide greater value of Fellowship for our members by providing more opportunities for activities and greater service possibilities across the Sections. Of course, each of these goals will have accompanying actions to support their achievement, and Fellows assigned to see that they are achieved.

#### New Partnerships

The College has actively sought partnerships and associations with other organizations that share our mission. The new ICD Dental Safety Program is an example of the type of collaborative effort that these liaisons can stimulate. This program developed from our work with the Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP). This program will help promote safety and asepsis in both clinical and humanitarian care settings worldwide.

#### Global Visionary Fund

Our new foundation, the Global Visionary Fund, continues to grow, and when it reaches the point that it can be self-sustaining, will provide another avenue by which the College can provide service to others. If you are looking for a worthy nonprofit Foundation for an end-of-year charitable gift, the GVF would be a great choice and a grateful recipient.

#### We Listened

We have listened intently to what you, our Fellows, have told us in the surveys and online, and the College is working hard to provide the programs, services, and opportunities that you have requested. Watch for reports of future enhancements, new activities, and more chances to participate in our great College. This is a vibrant and special time to be a Fellow of the International College of Dentists. I salute you all for your achievements and your energy.

Joseph R. Kenneally, DMD  
2015 International President  
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