AADR, ADEA and Friends of NIDCR 2020 Capitol Hill Day: Fiscal Year 2021 Funding Requests

The American Association for Dental Research (AADR), American Dental Education Association (ADEA) and Friends of National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (FNIDCR) urge Congress to prioritize funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) Division of Oral Health in fiscal year 2021.

We have four “asks” for Members of Congress:

1. Support a funding level of $44.7 billion for the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

2. Support a funding level of $512 million for the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR).

3. Support a funding level of $40.7 million for the Title VII Oral Health Training Programs within the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).

4. Support a funding level of $29 million for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Division of Oral Health.

The research and oral health programs supported by these federal agencies enhance the knowledge base used to inform policy, improve dental clinical practices and help eliminate disparities in access to dental care, leading to better overall health and well-being.

About AADR
AADR, headquartered in Alexandria, VA, is a nonprofit organization with more than 3,100 members in the United States. Its mission is to (1) advance research and increase knowledge for the improvement of oral health; (2) support and represent the oral health research community; and (3) facilitate the communication and application of research findings. The AADR is the largest Division of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR). Learn more about AADR online at iadr.org/AADR/About-Us.

About ADEA
ADEA is The Voice of Dental Education. Our mission is to lead and support the health professions community in preparing future-ready oral health professionals. Our members include all 78 U.S. and Canadian dental schools, more than 1,000 allied and advanced dental education programs, over 60 corporations and more than 20,000 individuals. Our activities encompass a wide range of research, advocacy, faculty development, meetings and communications, including the esteemed Journal of Dental Education®, as well as the dental school application services ADEA AADSAS®, ADEA PASS®, ADEA DHCAS® and ADEA CAAPID®. For more information, visit adea.org.

About Friends of NIDCR
The Friends of National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (FNIDCR) is a broad-based coalition of academic and research institutions, professional associations and foundations that champion NIDCR, the world’s largest institution dedicated exclusively to research to improve dental, oral and craniofacial health. With programmatic activities operated out of AADR, FNIDCR helps represent the interests of patients, researchers, educators, clinicians and students and the value they find in NIDCR and its critical research.