

INSURANCE PROGRAMS

Professional Liability (Malpractice) Insurance – Active, support and student members who have graduated automatically receive professional liability insurance (up to \$4-million coverage) at no additional cost.

Legal Defence Insurance – Membership fees include a maximum of \$50,000/year for legal fees including disciplinary action.

Commercial Liability – This coverage, at an extra cost, protects your personal assets if you operate your own business (self-employed, mouth-guard providers, independent contractors, etc.).

Personal Insurance – Through ODHA's insurance broker, members can obtain a full-range of exclusive insurance programs including home, auto, extended health, dental, life, disability, income replacement, self-employment and critical illness at group rate savings.

PUT YOUR MIND AT EASE

Enjoy peace of mind knowing you have the most comprehensive malpractice insurance coverage in the event you face disciplinary action.

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Membership Bonuses

- **QUALIFY TO WIN** one of 10 free memberships if you join before Oct. 31.
- **A FREE** custom-designed instrument (value \$30) from D-Sharp for the first 200 who join or renew on-line as active members.
- **SAVE 20%** on your second-year membership fee when you sign up for 2 years active – available to the first 400 who register.



Members come first at ODHA...

- Advancing the profession by achieving self-initiation
- Voicing your concerns and interests where it counts
- Ensuring lines of communication are always open
- Helping you stay current in the workplace
- Promoting the profession across the province
- Saving you hundreds of dollars with our unmatched services and benefits package
- Offering personal and professional insurance coverage at the lowest possible price

Malpractice insurance is included in your membership fee at no extra cost.

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ODHA Membership Services and Benefits 2009–2010

PERSONAL SAVINGS

Tap into huge savings for you and your family. ODHA's negotiating and purchasing power saves you hundreds of dollars on a number of services.

NEW **Perkopolis** provides reduced rates for tickets (concerts, theatre, sporting events), special attractions (e.g., *Ontario Place, Darien Lake, MarineLand*), and hotel and get-away packages.

- **GoodLife Fitness Clubs** offer a corporate wellness membership at considerably reduced rates.
- **Premier Fitness** offers a special annual membership fee with no additional costs for registration or fitness evaluation.
- **Extreme Fitness** provides health club discounts at several locations in the GTA.
- **Eyewear Advantage** gives discounts on prescription eyeglasses, non-prescription sunglasses and eyewear accessories – available at *LensCrafters, Pearle Vision, Precision Optical and Sears Optical*.
- **WD Canada** provides special pricing on uniforms and dental instruments.
- **Bell Canada** has special pricing on mobile phone packages.

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- **BMO Nesbitt Burns** waives the annual administration fee on each financial account for members and their immediate family.
- **HomeLife Victory Realty Inc.** sales representative, Warant Sarkis, offers cash back on real estate purchases and sales.
- **ODHA** provides discounted movie tickets, redeemable at *Famous Players, Cineplex Odeon and Galaxy Cinemas*.

EMPLOYMENT ISSUES AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

NEW **Preferred Merchant Program** – Moneris Solutions, ODHA's service provider, offers small business owners considerable savings on each qualified electronic VISA/MasterCard and Interac direct payment transaction.

Reliable Information and Advice – Knowledgeable staff members at ODHA are available to answer your questions. They maintain resource materials, including labour studies, and stay up to date on practice issues and the *Employment Standards Act*.

The ODHA CareerSite – This on-line service links job seekers with prospective employers all over the world.

Employment Resource Handbook – The handbook provides information on many workplace needs and responds to questions about securing a position and compensation.

Independent Contractors – Resource information and on-line start-up courses are available at special member rates.

NEW **Business Plan** – A guide for starting your own business for independent dental hygiene clinics and mobile practices.

Premedication Alert Card – These alert dental hygienists to a client's risk factors so that antibiotic treatment may be administered prior to certain dental procedures.

Legal-Line – Members receive 24/7 access to information and telephone advice from lawyers on a wide range of issues from employment to family.

Creating Balance in Dentistry – The program assists dental professionals and their families who are experiencing a range of personal problems.

REPRESENTATION

The ODHA ensures the voice of dental hygiene is heard on any issue that affects the profession, such as achieving self-initiation and authorizing dental hygienists to prescribe certain drugs. ODHA achieves positive outcomes by actively lobbying government and building effective working relationships with various organizations and health groups.

PROMOTING THE PROFESSION

Public Awareness – The profession enjoys positive public awareness and high visibility through ODHA's regular media campaigns and its members, who act as ambassadors to help promote dental hygiene across the province.

Affinity MasterCard Program – With every purchase using this card, ODHA receives a percentage that is used to develop member programs. The card also helps to promote oral health and the profession.

Community Outreach – ODHA provides a variety of materials to help members in their ongoing community outreach to promote dental hygiene services and the profession.

COMMUNICATIONS

Website (www.odha.on.ca) – The website continues to expand and includes on-line learning, membership registration and an order desk.

Focus Newsletter – Published quarterly, this award-winning newsletter keeps members on top of dental hygiene activities and issues.

Research & Product News – Produced three times a year, this publication features oral care product information, research and samples.

E-Bulletins – Electronic bulletins are sent quarterly between issues of *Focus*.

Pocket Calendar – The pocket calendar features important ODHA dates and a list of membership benefits and services.

Fall District Workshops and ProvinciaLINK – Fall district workshops are held every odd year and include a free learning experience; *ProvinciaLINK* is held every spring and features ODHA updates by members of the Executive Committee.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Dentalprolearn – On-line professional development offers a wide variety of affordable dental team and general interest courses.

Provincial Conference – ODHA conferences are held every even year. The next conference is September 24 and 25, 2010, in Richmond Hill.

SERVING MEMBERS

Gain easy, direct access to staff specialists who are committed to helping members and delivering results.

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