

Florida Dental Laboratory Association

Promoting the Interests of Florida's
Dental Laboratories Since 1964



Mission Statement

Serving Florida's dental technology professionals as a valued part of the dental team enhancing oral health care.



Vision Statement

Advancing the individual and collective success of Florida's dental technology professionals in a changing environment.



FDLA Member Benefits

Your membership in the Florida Dental Laboratory Association (FDLA) will bring you a return many times greater than your investment. The association's proven programs provide members with the tools they need to operate their businesses successfully.

Education

As the leader of continuing education within the state of Florida, we are committed to helping laboratories formulate a business that will grow, meet the requirements mandated by Florida law and help Certified Dental Technicians (CDT) and Certified Dental Laboratories (CDL) maintain their certification. FDLA members are eligible to receive discounted rates on all continuing education.

- **District Clinics** – Rotating around the state of Florida, FDLA District Clinics offer laboratory owners and technicians/staff the opportunity receive continuing education credits year round on a variety of topics including the required “Florida Laws and Rules for Dental Laboratories” course.
- **Online Education** – FDLA offers online education, including the mandatory “Florida Laws and Rules for Dental Laboratories” course, on our Web site www.fdma.net.
- **Southern States Symposium & Expo presented by FDLA** – As the largest not for profit dental laboratory meeting in the country, attendees have an opportunity to meet with vendors of dental laboratory products/services to discuss equipment, supplies and techniques that can improve their business. A wide range of technical clinics are scheduled to provide members with the most current industry standards and continuing education.

Legislative/Government Relations

FDLA works with several agencies to modify and strengthen existing laws affecting dental laboratories and ensure that such regulations strike a balance between patient safety and ease of compliance. FDLA members are provided critical updates and reminders for important legislation, deadlines and regulatory alerts.

- **Florida State Laws Affecting Dental Laboratories Manual** – FDLA has developed a manual defining the state laws affecting dental laboratories. This manual explains in detail: continuing education, data required on prescriptions, materials disclosure and point of origin requirements necessary with all communication and case work executed between the dentist and laboratory.
- **Continuing Education Requirement** – The state of Florida mandates that each laboratory in Florida must receive 18 hours of Florida approved continuing education credit every two years. FDLA is an approved provider and offers a variety of courses – including the mandatory course on “Florida Laws and Rules for Dental Laboratories.”

Communication

- **focus Magazine** – FDLA's quarterly *focus* Magazine is the most widely read state dental laboratory association publication. It provides updates on crucial industry information, new technology, laboratory management and other issues of vital concern. FDLA members receive a complimentary subscription as part of their membership.
- **Web site** – FDLA's Web site, www.fdma.net, has comprehensive information on pertinent industry updates as well as conference registration forms, an online directory that enables dentists to look up FDLA member laboratories and other links.

Business Services

(available to laboratory members)

- **FDLA Insurance Services** – FDLA is proud to offer special rates for laboratory members for Group & Individual Health & Dental, Disability Income, Employment Practices Liability (EPLI), Office overhead expense, Term Life & Long Term Care, Workers' Compensation, Pension & Retirement Plan, Fidelity Bond and Auto & Home Insurance.
- **Human Resource Hotline** – The average dental laboratory does not have the workforce or means to hire a human resources manager. Even larger laboratories that have a human resources manager may need some advice on tough situations from time to time. FDLA members receive human resources telephone consultation services **FREE OF CHARGE!**
- **Credit Card Payment Processing** – FDLA member laboratories are eligible to receive discounted rates on credit and debit card processing. Our provider specializes in creating card acceptance programs specifically for the dental industry.





Florida Dental Laboratory Association Membership Application

All memberships are individual memberships and only cover one person.

Name: _____ CDT

Laboratory Name: _____ CDL

Laboratory Owner Name: _____ CDT

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Toll Free: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____ Web site: _____

Florida Department of Health Laboratory License Number: _____

Laboratory Membership \$200.00

Any commercial dental laboratory registered by the State of Florida Department of Health is eligible. Membership shall be in the name of the laboratory as registered by the State of Florida. The owner, partner or designated representative shall represent the laboratory in meetings and is eligible for elective office and voting privileges. (Laboratory owners must hold laboratory memberships.)

Affiliate Membership \$200.00

Individuals who own or manage a dental office or out of state dental laboratory are eligible. Membership entitles person to all services, social events and educational activities of the association.

✓ *Laboratory and Affiliate Members — Don't forget to sign up your technicians/staff.*

Technician/Staff Membership \$50.00

Any dental technician or administrative personnel in a member dental laboratory is eligible for technician/staff membership. Membership entitles person to all services, social events and educational activities of the association.

Additional Technician/Staff Names (\$50 each staff membership)

Name: _____ CDT E-mail: _____

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Associate Membership \$225.00

Any sales or technician representative of suppliers, manufacturers or vendors is eligible. Membership entitles person to all benefits and privileges of the state association.

Student Membership \$15.00

Open to any students at Florida schools offering a dental technology program. Membership entitles person to all benefits and privileges of the state association. Member is not eligible for elective office or voting privileges.

Retired Technician Membership \$35.00

Open to dental technicians who have retired and no longer work in the dental laboratory industry. Member is not eligible for elective office or voting privileges.

FDLA Legislative Action Fund

The FDLA has developed a Legislative and Legal Action fund for members of the industry to contribute to, to ensure that the association can properly respond to state governmental actions or initiatives by corporations or other associations that would have a negative impact on the successful operation of dental laboratories in Florida.

- Yes**, I would like to contribute \$50.00 to the FDLA Legislative Action Fund!
- Yes**, I would like to contribute a unique amount to the FDLA Legislative Action Fund! **Contribution Amount \$** _____
- No** thank you.

Payment Information

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Payment Method: Check, *made payable to FDLA* Visa MasterCard AMEX

Card No.: _____ Security Code*: _____ Expires: _____

*This is the three digit number found on the back of your card in the signature area. AMEX - This is the four digit number found on the front of your card.

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RETURN APPLICATION TO FDLA at: 325 John Knox Road Ste L 103, Tallahassee, FL 32303

OR Fax with credit card payment to (850) 222-3019.



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Join the Florida Dental Laboratory Association



FDLA Values Statement

- Integrity
- Leadership
- Recognition
- Safety
- Acceptance
- Innovation

Be a part of the FDLA team

and stay informed on what is happening in the Florida dental laboratory profession. Protect your business, enhance your profession and utilize the association's valuable member services.

