

Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report on the activities of 2024

Country: SPAIN

Association: SPANISH DENTAL COUNCIL (Consejo General de Colegios Oficiales de Odontólogos y Estomatólogos de España)

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

Changes

There is no change in the composition of the Executive Committee members.

Trends and developments:

in professional politics

Misleading advertising, official recognition of specialties, regulation of plethora, and fighting against intrusion and unethical invisible orthodontic companies, are still remarkable topics for us to work in.

in health and social politics

There is no relevant development in this field.

in educational politics

There is no relevant development in this field.

in the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes)

The plan to expand the portfolio of oral health care services has already started in Spain. Five population groups are distinguished as subsidiaries of this expansion:

- Child and adolescent population from 0 to 14 years of age.
- Programme for pregnant women
- Programme for people with disabilities
- Programme for patients diagnosed with head or neck cancer

Corporate Dentistry position of NDA towards dental chains problems with dental chains possible solutions

Issues concerning dental chains remain the same.

Changes in fees:

As in 2023, a 2.5% reduction in membership fees has been maintained due to the economic impact of COVID-19 during 2023

Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:

In 2024, activities to celebrate World Oral Health Day included the organisation of a photo competition by patients of dental clinics, as well as a press conference and a press release to the media. Likewise, a promotional video has been made about the relevance of oral health in the context of general health.

Further information (activities):

During 2024, we have once again promoted continuous face-to-face training, essentially through clinical classrooms. However, the lessons learned during the pandemic period have enabled us to develop a wide range of free, non-clinical courses, which have been very popular.

Publications:

We continue the editing of our journals: "RCOE", with a purely scientific content, and "Dentistas", with general and informative subjects addressed to professionals and people. Both are published in quarterly editions. From 2018 onwards, the RCOE magazine becomes a digital format, maintaining the Dentistas magazine which increases to 6 issues per year. In 2024, "Ilustred Guides", a dentist-oriented supplement with up-to-date information on various current issues for dentists have been developed.

In addition, 2 White Papers have been published in 2024: one on the rational use of antibiotics in dentistry, and another on radiology in dentistry.

Campaigns:

In 2024, 3 important health education campaigns have been developed: oral health and sport, oral health and disability and oral cancer. A workshop on oral hygiene was also held for the general public and influencers.

What are your 3 main concerns?

- **Misleading health advertising**
- **The creation of Dental Specialities**
- **Intrusion**