

National report 2010 from Denmark

I. Changes in the association and its organisation

Two dental associations

In 2009 the two Danish dental associations negotiated about a merger, but despite a big effort from the two organizations no agreement was made, so for now there will be two dental associations.

Structure of the Danish Dental Association

The Danish Dental Association has in 2009 spent a lot of time reviewing the current structure and considered relevant changes. This work has not yet been finished so at the present there has not been made any changes.

II. Trends and developments

Focus on DUWL Water quality

In 2009 the Danish Dental Association had focus on contaminated DUWL. As a result of a scientific article in the Danish Dental Journal highlighting the problems with DUWL and the problems with testing of unit water, the Danish Dental Association held in 2009 a number of member meetings to inform its members about what to do to comply to national standards. The Association acknowledge the major problems that testing of DUWL can give the dental practice and will continue to work with the industry and the scientific community to find better solutions.

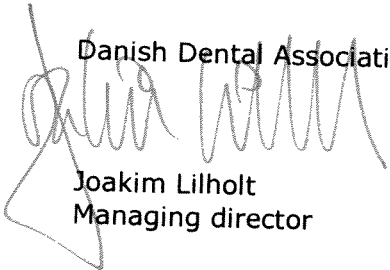
Laundry

The Danish National Board of Health has for the first time given specific legislation towards hygiene measures in the healthcare area. The new recommendation states that all clinical attire must be changed every day and the clothes has to be washed either at the workplace at minimum 60 degrees Celsius or in an industrial cleaning facility.

KRAM (NSAP) = Nutrition, Smoking, Alcohol and Physical Exercise

Data collecting for a large national survey of the population in Denmark regarding nutrition, smoking, alcohol and physical exercise has been taking place during 2008. From January 2008 to January 2009 data collection on the oral health status was also collected. In 2009 the DDA has been involved in analyzing the results of this big survey and hopefully there will be some results in the near future.

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