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MASSACHUSETTS - HISPANIC DENTAL ASSOCIATION

2026 Newsletter



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Vision Statement

"Empower healthcare professionals to increase oral health equity and improve health care quality in the Hispanic/Latinx, and underrepresented populations."

Mission Statement

"As the leading voice for Hispanic Oral Health, we provide service, education, research, advocacy, and leadership for all healthcare professionals, to promote overall health of the Hispanic/Latinx and underrepresented communities."



Dear MAHDA family,

I am grateful for being elected as your President. It is an honor to serve an organization that has profoundly shaped my life for almost two decades.

My journey began in Medellín, Colombia, during a tumultuous drug war. My family immigrated to the United States in search of safety and opportunity. MAHDA played a crucial role in my success, guiding me as I pursued education, even when faced with numerous obstacles, including trauma and immigration challenges.

The lack of dental care I witnessed inspired my dream of becoming a dentist who champions access to oral health for all. Thanks to HDA, I found mentors like Dr. Aide Nieto-Herman, DDS, DMD, MScD, CAGS, former president and founder of MAHDA chapter, who believed in me and helped pave my path.

Over the years, I navigated various hardships while working full-time and achieving my educational goals, as dental assistant, dental hygienist and ultimately earning my Doctorate from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 2025.

Today, I stand before you as a testament to the power of community support. I pledge to build a stronger MAHDA community, advocate for fairness, and serve you all with compassion and integrity. My story underscores that regardless of where you come from or the challenges you face, your heart and determination can lead to extraordinary outcomes. I invite you to join us in this fascinating world of smiles.

Thank you for your trust and belief in me. Let's do this together.

With gratitude,

Judi M. Quintero, DMD.
President, MAHDA



JANUARY 29 — JANUARY 31, 2026
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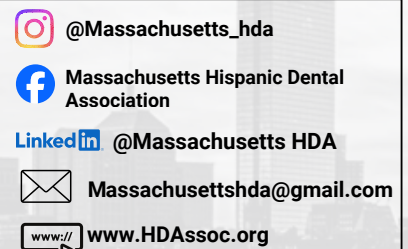


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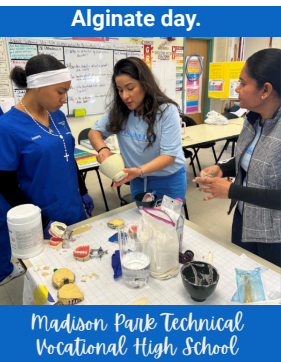
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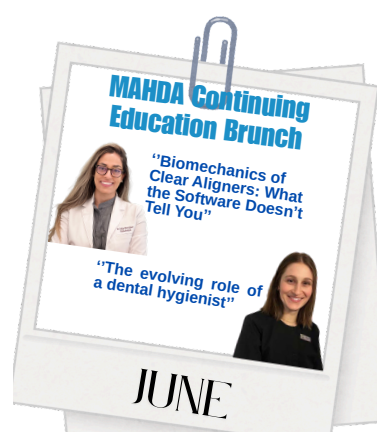
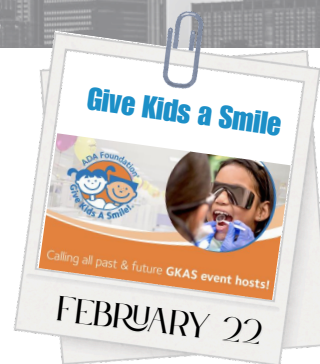


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2026 Activities



Latin & COMMUNITY FESTIVALS & OUTREACH



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Celebrating every mind, every age,
every journey"
OCTOBER 1-3, 2026
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