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The Nation's Network

Improving the nation's oral health by improving the knowledge base for clinical decision-making and moving the latest evidence into routine care.



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Join Our Upcoming Network Webinar Series To Learn More About Predicting Pain Following Root Canal Treatment

Registration is now open to Network members and nonmembers for February's Network webinar. Because pain following a root canal can be distressing to patients and practitioners, our February 13th webinar will focus on the Predicting Pain Following Root Canal Treatment (PREDICT) Study. [Read more...](#)

WEBINAR



Predicting pain following root canal treatment

Wednesday, February 13th
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm EST

Register at:
<https://bit.ly/2Cty2ar>

Alan S. Law, DDS, PhD, FACP, FICD

It's Time for the Annual Regional Meetings!

National Dental PBRN members from four regions-Southwest, Midwest, South Atlantic, and South Central-will be converging in February and March at three regional meetings. Here they will exchange views on the dental profession, learn about new clinical research, get the scoop on the latest Network news, and reconnect with colleagues.

The Network Wants to Hear From You

Regional meeting attendees will have the opportunity to provide feedback on recent Network communication

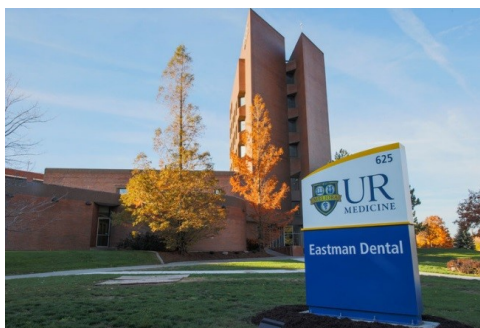
activities, including materials, the Network website, and our presence on social media. This feedback will help guide and prioritize how the Network continues to support and communicate with you. [Read more...](#)



Register for the Oral Medicine Conference in March!

The 2019 Oral Medicine Conference will be held March 22 at the Eastman Institute for Oral Health in Rochester, New York. This year's theme is "Lasers in Oral Medicine and Dentistry."

The conference will include a rich scientific program delivered by world-renowned speakers, Robert Convissar, DDS, and Praveen Arany, DDS, PhD. [Read more...](#)

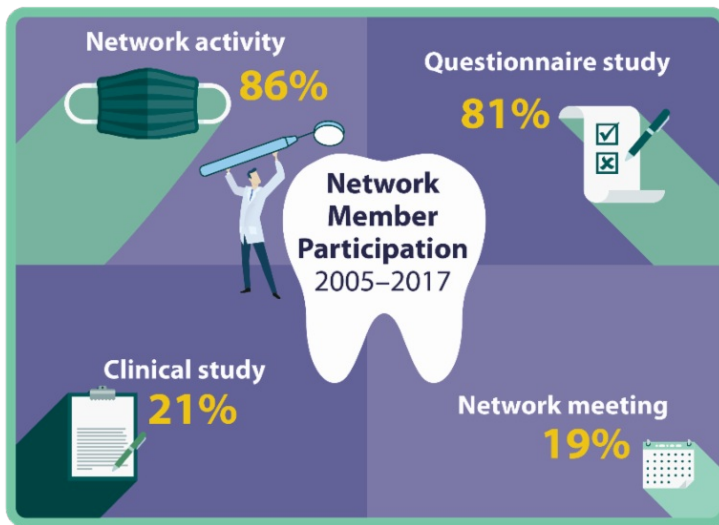


Article of Interest

Dental Network Has High Rate of Participation

If you build a network, dental professionals will participate, a study of National Dental PBRN participation rates showed. The study sample found that a large percentage of National Dental PBRN members participated in at least one Network activity between 2005, when the Network began, and 2017. The study was published in the November-December 2018 Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine: JABFM.

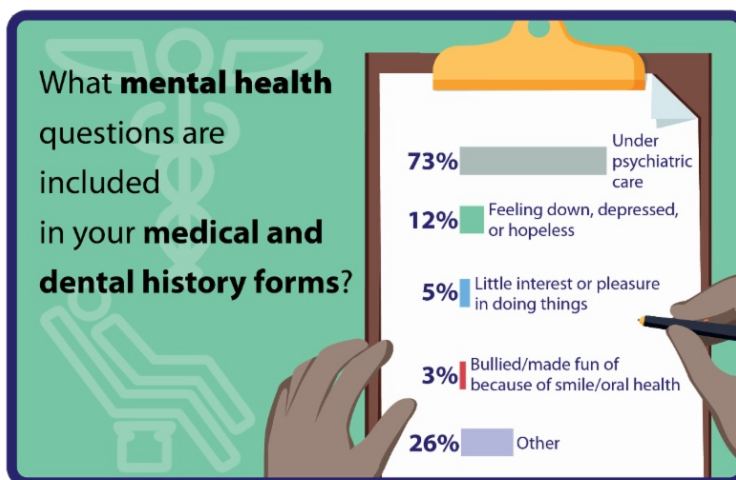
The study found high rates of sustained participation among enrolled members. "Strategies employed by the network to engage practitioners may serve as a model for PBRN networks for other allied health professions," the authors wrote. [Read more...](#)



Quick Poll Results

Quick Poll Results: Mental Health Screening, Observation, and Intervention

Our October 2018 Quick Poll delves into practitioners' perspectives on mental health screening, observation, and potential intervention in a dental practice setting. The overwhelming majority of the 465 Quick Poll respondents—almost 93%—agreed that mental health and dental health have some degree of correlation. For example, patients who are under stress may be more likely to experience bruxism and clenching. [Read more...](#)



Member Highlight

February Network Member of the Month: Alan Law

This month we would like to highlight Alan S. Law, DDS, PhD, FACD, FICD, an endodontist with The Dental Specialists in Lake Elmo, Minnesota, and a clinical research associate professor in endodontics at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Law has extensive research experience, including his current work assisting in developing the National Dental PBRN to conduct clinical research

about, in, and for the benefit of "real world," everyday practicing oral health professionals. He has also served as an endodontic consultant on several clinical studies on pain associated with nonsurgical root canal therapy. [Read more...](#)

