



Commonwealth Dental Association
Biennial General Meeting 5 May 2015
Candidates for CDA office

President 2015-2017: Anthony Kravitz OBE

Anthony Kravitz qualified at Manchester Dental School in 1966, just after reaching the age of 21 years. Following six months as a House Surgeon he went into general dental practice in Greater Manchester, until he moved to London in 2005.

He became involved in local dental politics in 1969, and then in UK national dental politics in 1981. He was a member of the Council/Executive Board of the British Dental Association (BDA) from 1985 until 2003. At various times, he was a member or chairman of many BDA committees. From 1997 until 2003 he was the chief negotiator for the UK's 24,000 NHS general practitioners, as Chairman of the General Dental Services Committee (GDSC). He was President of the BDA, for a period of 12 months, from May 2004.

Dr Kravitz has been involved in international affairs for the BDA since 1990 and has been looking after CDA matters for the association during this period. He was also a member of the European Union Dental Liaison Committee for over 10 years, (uniquely) chairing two working parties – on Ethics and Quality Assurance, and Dental Auxiliaries. He is the principal author of the EU Manual of Dental Practice, last published in 2014. Dr Kravitz is also an Honorary Research Fellow at the Cardiff University, Wales.

He is also a chairman of the Fitness to Practise Panel of the (UK) General Dental Council.

Anthony has been married for over 44 years (to Hilary) and they have three children and 10 grandchildren.

He was appointed an OBE by HM The Queen in the 2003 New Year Honours List.

Immediate Past President 2015-2017: Bill O'Reilly

Conjoint Associate Professor Bill O'Reilly is a general dental practitioner and has been admitted as a barrister of the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Bill has had extensive experience in the non-dental corporate arena.

Bill was a Director of Manchester Unity Australia and its independent elected Chairman for four years. Manchester Unity, at the time of his retirement, was the 10th largest health fund in Australia, had a suite of retirement and aged care campuses, as well as funds under management.

Bill has been appointed to the National Australia Bank nabhealth National Advisory Council, advising the National Australia Bank on contemporary dental trends and also sat on the Medical Advisory Committee for Bupa Australia.

Bill is the Independent Chairman of the Work Injury Research Foundation. In 2012, Bill was appointed as the independent Chairman of Riverwise Pty Ltd.

Bill has been appointed to the Board of the Motor Neurone Disease Association of Australia as a Director. Motor neuron disease is a fatal condition that has no known cause or cure and claims the life of one Australian every day.

In 2010 he was appointed as a Non-Executive Director of Dental Corporation, the largest aggregator of dental practices in Australia, New Zealand and Canada and presently sits on the Bupa Dental Corporation Board.

In 2010 he was appointed as a Director of Employers Mutual Limited, a workers compensation company with a gross written premium pool circa of \$A1 billion per annum under management. In 2011, Bill was appointed as Chairman of Employers Mutual Limited.

His clinical career has included private dental practice, service with the Royal Australian Navy and oversight of the optical, dental and physiotherapy clinics for Manchester Unity Australia.

Bill served two terms as the President of the Australian Dental Association NSW Branch, and two terms as the President of the National Australian Dental Association. In 2012 Bill was appointed as the President of the Dental Council of NSW. The same year, he held the office of interim CEO of ADA NSW Centre for Professional Development.

Bill was the Professional Officer for the Dental Council of New South Wales and assists the government of New South Wales Motor Accident Authority in relation to dental injuries
He was the President of the Commonwealth Dental Association 2012-2015 and has chaired two standing committees of the FDI in Geneva Switzerland.

He has lectured extensively nationally and internationally on jurisprudential matters, and has been actively involved in oversight of professional indemnity in New South Wales.

Bill has been closely involved in curriculum development on jurisprudential and personal and professional development for dental auxiliaries and dental undergraduates. He has held positions as a senior lecturer at the University of Sydney and is presently a conjoint Associate Professor at the University of Newcastle.

Bill has had significant input into matters affecting dental workforce mal-distribution for Australia and in particular New South Wales.

Elections

President-Elect 2015-2017: 1 candidate

Adeyemi Olusile

Adeyemi Oluniyi Olusile, a Professor of Conservation Dentistry at the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria, is a 1979 graduate of the Dental School, University of Lagos, Nigeria. He was at the Eastman Institute of the University of London, where he obtained his M.Sc. in Conservation Dentistry in 1987. He has been a Lecturer at the Faculty of Dentistry, Obafemi Awolowo University since 1989 and also a Consultant Restorative Dentist at the Teaching Hospital in Ile-Ife. He trains dentists both at the undergraduate and Fellowship levels. He is External Examiner to a number of dental schools in Nigeria and Ghana.

Adeyemi was President of the Nigerian Dental Association 2006 to 2010, a member of many international dental associations, a fellow of the International College of Dentists and is presently the Vice- President (West Africa Region) of the Commonwealth Dental Association.

Executive Secretary: 1 candidate

D Y D Samarawickrama

Professor Samarawickrama is Emeritus Professor of Conservative Dentistry at Queen Mary University of London. He was formerly Professor of Conservative Dentistry and Senior Tutor (Dentistry) at Barts & The London School of Medicine & Dentistry, QMUL. He was also an Honorary Consultant and a Specialist in Restorative Dentistry and Endodontics at Barts and the London NHS Trust, London.

He is an external examiner for the Overseas Registration Examination, General Dental Council, UK and an Academic Lead for the LDSRCS Examination of the Royal College of Surgeons of England. He is Consultant Advisor in dental Education and Visiting Professor in Restorative Dentistry at Oman Dental College, Sultanate of Oman and Visiting Professor in Restorative Dentistry at the Faculty of Dental Science, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka.

During his academic career, he has been an external examiner to several dental schools in the UK, the University of the West Indies, Kwame Nkrumah University, Ghana and the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka. He has been a consultant in Dental Education to WHO/ PAHO and an advisor to the Barbados Dental Council. He is a former Director of the Dental Auxiliary School, London, a former President of the British Association of Teachers of Conservative Dentistry and a former President of The Barts and The London Alumni Association Dental Chapter.

His main research interests include Dental Metrology, Endodontics and Prosthodontics. He lectures on a wide range of topics both in the UK and overseas.

Professor Samarawickrama was elected the Executive Secretary of the CDA at the Triennial Meeting held in Cape Town, South Africa in 2013. Before that, he was the Editor of the CDA NEWS which position he was appointed to in 2006 having previously been the Co-Editor of the CDA Bulletin with Professor Martin Hobdell from 1996.

During a career spanning more than 45 years, he has won many medals and awards. He was awarded the title "DDU Dentist Teacher of the Year UK and Ireland" in 2008 and Geoffrey Slack Medal for outstanding service by the Institute of Dentistry QMUL in 2012.

He is now semi-retired and devotes his time to educational activities, charitable work and travel.

Treasurer: 2 candidates

Dileep De Silva

I am Dileep De Silva, President of the Sri Lanka Dental Association contesting for the post of Treasurer CDA.

I obtained the Bachelor of Dental Surgery degree from the University of Peradeniya, Doctor of Medicine (in Dental Public Health) degree from the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka and PhD in Health Management from the University of Southampton UK. In addition I am a Chartered Banker cum Cost & Management Accountant and also have a MBA from University of Colombo, with more than 5 years' experience at senior level in the financial sector.

I joined the Ministry of Health in 1997 and currently hold the following positions; Consultant in Dental Public Health, National Programme Manager-School Dental Services, Consultant to the Health Economic Cell Ministry of Health, Visiting Senior Lecturer in Health Finance- Post Graduate Institute of Medicine University of Colombo Sri Lanka, Visiting Senior Lecturer in Strategic Management and Chief External Examiner – MBA viva Examination, Cardiff Metropolitan University, Wales, UK. I have worked in the NHS, England during 2009/10.

I have received several prestigious awards. I was the recipient of a fellowship awarded by the Government of Japan to undergraduate students to participate on a global tour on board the "World Ship for the Youth". Having been nominated by the Commonwealth Dental Association, I was awarded the prestigious Commonwealth Foundation Fellowship in 2001 and was the only dentist to receive this award. I was a world prize finalist for the award "Application of System Dynamics for Health Development"-presented by the International Federation of Operational Research Societies (IFORS) - 2011. Further I was the recipient of the National Apex Award (Health and Medicine category) awarded by the Organization of Professional Associations of Sri Lanka in 2013. I have delivered over 50 guest lectures and three Orations both in Sri Lanka and overseas and have several publications in peer reviewed journals.

Given my professional back ground and experience, I am confident that I would be able to function efficiently as the Treasurer of the CDA. I will ensure transparency, good book keeping and adhere to standard accounting practice and guidelines. I also guarantee that accounting reports would be published on time and that there will be good financial management. THANK YOU

Stuart Geddes

Stuart Geddes is the current Treasurer who was appointed to the post in April 2013.

Regional Vice President Canada/Caribbean: 1 candidate

Ricardo Crawford

Dr. Ricardo Crawford is a native Bahamian born in Nassau, The Bahamas.

He began his post-secondary education at the College of The Bahamas where he earned an Associate of Arts Degree in Biology in 1989. He then went on to obtain a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Biology with a minor in Chemistry from Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, USA, in 1991. Dr. Crawford was accepted to Temple University School of Dentistry in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA and graduated in 1995 with a Doctor of Medical Dentistry Degree (DMD). He received Honour awards in Paediatrics, Periodontics, Endodontics and Oral Surgery. He earned a fellow designation in the International Congress of Oral Implantologist (ICOI).

Dr. Crawford returned to The Bahamas in 1995 as an Associate Dentist at Star Dental Clinic and later went on and opened his own practice, Genesis Dental Center Bahamas Ltd., with a focus on general/family dentistry including restorative, implant and cosmetic dentistry. Dr. Crawford also operates two satellite offices in Abaco and Long Island, Bahamas.

He is a past president and past vice president of the Bahamas Dental Association, a member of the Bahamas Dental Council, a member of the Bahamas Dental Association, the American Dental Association and a past member of the FDI and a member of the ICOI. Presently, Dr. Crawford serves as the deputy chairman of the Bahamas Dental Council.

Dr Crawford developed and implemented the first Bahamas National Dental Board Exam.

Following his belief in giving back to the community, Dr. Crawford has assisted in many community outreach projects to help those patients who otherwise could not afford dental care.

Dr. Crawford enjoys spending time with his family, travelling and boating. He is also an avid reader and enjoys cooking and gardening.

Regional Vice President for East, Central and Southern Africa: 2 candidates

Ragini Jaria

Dr Ragini Sonah Jaria is a graduate of Goa Dental College, India. She graduated in 1993 and after completing her internship she worked for one year with a leading Mumbai-based dentist.

She has been in private practice since 1996 in Mauritius. In the year 2004 she was elected to the executive committee of the Mauritius Dental Association. Subsequently she was elected Vice President and President of the Association. Currently she is again President of the Association.

During her tenure as President she organised various conferences and seminars for the MDA, social projects promoting oral health, and has been instrumental in setting up policies with the Mauritius Dental Council and with the government authorities. She also upgraded and revised the by-laws of the Mauritius Dental Association.

She is on the Board of Assessment of the Mauritius Dental Council for assessing the suitability of new dentists for the granting of a licence.

Recently she has concluded organising the World Oral Health Day 2015, for the World Dental Federation (FDI).

Currently she is liaising with Rochester University, USA, to set up courses to provide further education to local dentists and also to help them in acquiring American certificate courses and degrees and diplomas.

Since Mauritius is a hub for Africa, it will be easy to promote mutual interests as we are part of SADC and AGOA.

Susan Maina

Dr Maina is a Senior Lecturer and former Chairman, Department of Conservative and Prosthetic Dentistry School of Dental Sciences, University of Nairobi.

She is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles (USA) with Master of Science in Oral Biology and Certificates in Aesthetic Dentistry and Advanced Education in General Dentistry.

She is the Immediate Past Treasurer of the Kenya Dental Association (KDA) and former President, East and Southern Division of The International Association of Dental Research. She has been involved in FDI activities as NLO of KDA for many years. She is active in the promotion of oral health among school children and disadvantaged groups in Kenya, leading to a Presidential award-Order of Grant Worrier (OGW).

Her research interest is herbal medicine and its application in dentistry. She is currently working on her PhD.

Regional Vice President Europe: 1 candidate

Russ Ladwa BDS(Lon) DGDP, MGDS, FDS RCS Eng, FFGDP (UK)

Born of Indian parents (1950) and schooled in Kenya.

Came to the UK aged 18.

Trained at The London Hospital Medical College, BDS (London 1975).

After working in hospitals and abroad, I have been In general practice in London since 1977.

Appointed one of the first General Practitioners as a Postgraduate Dental Tutor for London University in 1990, serving for 23 years.

In 1992, Founder member and Diplomat of the Faculty General Dental Practitioners (at the Royal College of Surgeons of England) Elected Board member,(1994) Vice Dean (2006-08) then Dean of FGDP(UK) from 2009 to 2012.

Appointed Advisor for Dentistry to Minister of Health, then Chairman of Dental Vocational Training Authority (2004-06).

President of the Odontology Section of the Royal Society of Medicine, London (2012-13)

Currently an elected member of the BDA's Principal Executive Committee and in private practice in West London.

Main interest and lifelong contribution to improving patient care and raising standards through education, training assessment and research by the whole team.

Professional interest & contribution in leadership training and mentoring.

Now wish to share experience, knowledge and good fortune of a noble career with others in the Commonwealth wherever there is need and willing to consider any suitable proposals that would enable this.

I have been married to Taru for 33 years and have two daughters, one a hospital doctor and the younger training to be a dentist!

Regional Vice President for Western Africa: 2 candidates

Gilbert Aboryo Ankrah, BDS, MSc (Lond.), LDSRCS (Eng.), FDSRCS (Eng.), FGCS

Dr Ankrah graduated from Turner Dental School, University of Manchester in 1985. In 1986, he joined the Ghana Ministry of Health and was appointed Dental Surgeon and later Senior Dental Surgeon. In 1995, he started his residency training at St Bartholomew's and the Royal London School of Medicine and Dentistry. He obtained his Fellowship in Dental Surgery, Royal College of Surgeons of England in 1998. He undertook additional training leading to MSc in Gerodontology at Queen Mary and Westfield College, University of London in 1998. In the same year, he obtained the Licentiate in Dental Surgery of the Royal College of Surgeons of England. He was awarded Foundation Fellow of Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons in 2004.

In 2009, he was appointed Lecturer, and Head of Department of Adult Oral Health, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology Dental School, Ghana. He is the Chairman of Continuing Professional Development Programs and Examiner in Restorative Dentistry of the Faculty of Dental Surgery, Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons. He is a Member and Rapporteur of the Harmonized Curriculum for Dental Surgery, West African Health Organization. He has served as a Consultant and Facilitator for several Conferences and Workshops in Restorative Dentistry and Gerodontics.

His main research interests include Root Caries and Toothwear.

Presently, he is the Chief Consultant in Restorative Dentistry, Specialist Health Ghana Dental Hospital. He is the President of Ghana Dental Association and was **key in organizing and facilitating a highly successful CDA/GDA Regional Workshop in Accra from 18 – 19 February 2014, themed "Oral Health Care for the Elderly"**.

He is passionate about current affairs and national issues. He enjoys listening to radio programs.

He is a team player and believes that **Together Everyone Achieves Much. (TEAM)**

Dr. Olabode Adeyemi Ijarogbe

Qualifications:

Consultant, Restorative Dentistry

Fellow, National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria

Associate Fellow, West African Postgraduate Medical College

PRESENT OCCUPATION : Lecturer, Restorative Dentistry, Faculty of Dental Sciences, College of Medicine, University of Lagos, Nigeria

He has worked with the FDI's Live, Learn Laugh programme, being the coordinator for the Brush twice daily outreach program facilitated by Unilever Nigeria Plc. to Local Government Areas for several years.

He was the Secretary of the organising committee for the successful CDA regional workshop held in Nigeria in 2010 on the theme of "Use of restorative materials in a Resource-Limited Setting". He attended the CDA Workshop held in Ghana in 2014 on the theme of 'Oral Health Care for the Elderly'.

He has held many professional memberships and leadership roles in Nigeria, including those of Secretary General and President-Elect of the Nigerian Dental Association and is currently its President. He has also held office in the Alliance for a Cavity Free Future (Nigerian Chapter), of which he is currently the Chairman, and with the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria. He has also held the roles of

Vice President and President in the Association of Resident Doctors of Lagos University Teaching Hospital (LUTH).

He has participated in many national and international conferences and continuous education programmes, including those provided by the FDI and CDA.

In his spare time, he enjoys music and reading, travelling, making friends, sightseeing and photography.

Regional Vice President for South-East Asia: 1 candidate

Dr Suresh Shanmuganathan (Sri Lanka)

Dr Suresh Shanmuganathan graduated with a Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) from Faculty of Dental Sciences, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka (with Second Class Honours) in January, 1993.

He obtained his Master of Surgery (Oral Surgery) from Post Graduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka in November, 1997 was Board Certified as a Specialist in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery in November, 1999.

He obtained the Fellowship of Dental Surgery (FDSRCS - England) of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in December, 1999 and the Membership of Surgical Dentistry (MSurgDentRCS - Edinburgh) of Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh in March, 2001.

He had his overseas postgraduate training at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, UK.

He is a Fellow of the International Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons and member of Asian association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons and Member of the American Dental Association.

He has served on the Board of Study (Dental surgery) of the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, Colombo, is a member of the Speciality Board of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, and is an examiner at the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, Colombo.

Presently he works as Consultant Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon in the Government and Private sector.

Dr Suresh has held many prominent positions in Local and International Organizations. He is presently the President of Sri Lanka Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon. He had held the post of president of Sri Lanka Dental Association 2012/2013, College of Dentistry & Stomatology of Sri Lanka in 2010/2011 and Sri Lanka Academy of Aesthetic & Cosmetic Dentistry in 2009.

He is the Country Councillor for the International Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons (IAOMS) and Asian Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS).

He is also a Council member of the Sri Lanka Medical Council & Private Health Services Regulatory Council.

He became the Vice President of the Commonwealth Dental Association for the South East Asian region at the 7th Triennial Meeting in Cape Town, South Africa on 3rd November, 2012.

Regional Vice President for Pacific/Australasia: 1 candidate

David Crum BDS, Dip.Clin.Dent, FICD, FADI, FPFA

Occupation: Dentist
CEO – New Zealand Dental Association,

Memberships: Honorary Life Member New Zealand Dental Association
Honorary Life Member Auckland Dental Association
Honorary Life Member Canterbury Branch NZDA

Current positions, directorships, trusteeships and voluntary advisory roles

- President International College of Dentists (Australasian Section) and Board Member
- Vice President Commonwealth Dental Association
- Pierre Fauchard Academy Board Member /Trustee Australasian Section
- Trustee, NZ Dental Research Foundation.
- Trustee, NZ Dental Association Education Trust.
- Executive Member, Global Child Dental Health Taskforce (Australasia) WHO/ Kings College London.
- NZ Director / Case Consultant, Dental Protection Ltd.
- NZ Dental Association Executive and Board Member
- Examiner NZ DREX Dental Registration Examinations University of Otago.

Statement:

In the role of board chairman or member, I encourage a diverse variety of opinions and contributions from board and executive members, but take a stand on important issues. I have a clear understanding of the governance/ management split, the process of strategic and business planning and the need for participatory teamwork.

My personal strengths are:

- Honesty and integrity with a sense of humour
- I set challenging personal goals and show persistence in the face of difficulties and obstacles.
- I have a strong ability to maintain a consistently high level of productivity and strong commitment to achieving goals.
- I am open to challenging current processes and procedures.
- I delegate well, communicate well, and analyze situations and issues robustly and fairly.