

AWARDS

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2025 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition



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2025 ADEA Distinguished Service Award MARSHA A. PYLE, D.D.S., M.ED.



Dr. Marsha Pyle began her dental career after entering the allied health workforce as a medical technologist. After four years in that field and directing a hospital-based training program, she pursued her dream of studying dentistry. A graduate of Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) School of Dental Medicine (SDM), she completed a general practice residency at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center in Cleveland, OH, then went on to complete a two-year HRSA fellowship in geriatric dentistry in the interprofessional medical-dental program at CWRU.

Her academic career began at CWRU SDM in 1991 where she continued her passion for teaching and learning, completing a master's degree in education several years later. While at CWRU SDM, she directed courses and student clinical experiences in geriatric dentistry and oral diagnosis, and in 2002 was appointed academic dean. Dr. Pyle made significant contributions to national curriculum innovation while leading CWRU SDM's revision in the structure, format and process for the D1 and D2 curriculum and its evaluation. The school was recognized for that project with a 2009 ADEAGies Foundation William J. Gies Award for Innovation. Dr. Pyle's career and work ethic are marked by commitment and motivation, leading her to become the first female academic in CWRU SDM's history to achieve the rank of tenured full professor. Her research pursuits focused on educational research in learning and geriatric dentistry. In 2009 she joined the University of Missouri - Kansas City School of Dentistry (UMKC SOD) as Dean and served in that role for 11 years. Upon retirement from UMKC SOD in 2020, Dr. Pyle joined ADEA, where she serves as Senior Scholar in Residence; Senior Chief of Knowledge, Engagement and Development; and President of the ADEAGies Foundation.

Across her career she has served in multiple leadership roles in academic and professional organizations. She held several volunteer leadership positions at ADEA, such as serving on the original ADEA Commission on Change and Innovation in Dental Education task force promoting innovative national curriculum revision, as an advisor to the ADEA Leadership Institute and as Chair of the ADEA Council of Deans. She has been honored with two ADEA Presidential Citations for contributions to ADEA's mission (2006, 2019). A lifetime member of the American Dental Association, she chaired the Joint Commission on National Dental Board Examinations and served as a Commissioner of CODA and member of the Pre-doctoral Review Committee. She received the CWRU SDM Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2008 for her leadership and achievement.

SUNDAY, MARCH 9 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

ADEA OPENING CEREMONY WITH AWARDS AND PLENARY

BUILDING A CULTURE OF EXCELLENCE: EXCELLENCE ISN'T OPTIONAL

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Marsha A. Pyle, D.D.S., M.Ed.

ADEA Senior Chief, Knowledge, Engagement and Development President, ADEAGies Foundation

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Dr. Cynthia Gadbury-Amyot, University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Dentistry

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PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS OF THE ADEA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

2024 – Henry A. Gremillion (posthumous)

2023 – Dr. Jeanne C. Sinkford

2022 – Dr. Dennis Mitchell

2021 – Dr. David C. Johnsen

2020 – Dr. R. Bruce Donoff

2019 – Dr. James J. Koelbl

2018 – Dr. Karen P. West

2017 – Dr. Leo E. Rouse

2016 - Dr. Ronald Rupp

2015 – Dr. M. Elaine Neenan

2014 - Dr. Kenneth Kalkwarf

2013 – Dr. John Killip

2012 - Dr. Lonnie Norris

2011 – Dr. Pamela Zarkowski

2010 - Dr. Richard Valachovic

2009 - Dr. James Q. Swift

2008 - Dr. James E. Mulvihill

2007 - Dr. Lisa A. Tedesco

2006 – Dr. Allan J. Formicola

2005 – Dr. Dominick P. DePaola

2002 - Dr. Marcia A. Boyd

2001 - Dr. John C. Greene

2000 – Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni

1998 – Dr. Wallace V. Mann

1997 - Dr. Richard S. MacKenzie

1996 – Dr. Joseph L. Henry

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MONDAY, MARCH 10 8:30 - 9:45 a.m.

MONDAY PLENARY

ADEA TAPESTRY TABLE: BEYOND WORDS: INSIGHTS INTO MORE COMPASSIONATE PRACTICES

ADEA/Colgate Oral Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Excellence in Teaching Award

Dr. Carlos Kose, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine

ADEA/Colgate Oral Pharmaceuticals, Inc./National Dental Association Dr. Jeanne C. Sinkford Scholar in the ADEA Leadership Institute

Dr. Lina Sharab, University of Kentucky College of Dentistry

ADEA Leadership Institute Alumni Association Award to Honor Jack Bresch

Prof. Kelsey Norton, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

ADEA/AADOCR/Colgate-Palmolive Co. Dr. Dominick P. DePaola Scholar in the ADEA Leadership Institute

Dr. Sivaraman Prakasam, University of Iowa College of Dentistry and Dental Clinics

ADEA/ADEAGies Foundation Drs. Connie L. and Richard R. Drisko Scholar in the ADEA Leadership Institute

Dr. Diana Nguyen, University of California, San Francisco, School of Dentistry

ADEA/Foundation for Endodontics Scholar in the ADEA Leadership Institute

Dr. Ana Andrada, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry

ADEA/American College of Dentists Dr. Jerome Bright Miller Scholars in the ADEA Leadership Institute

Dr. Pinar Emecen-Huja, Medical University of South Carolina James B. Edwards College of Dental Medicine

Dr. Donald Lapine, Rutgers School of Dental Medicine

ADEA Enid A. Neidle Scholar-in-Residence Program

Dr. Ariel Snell, NYU Langone Health

ADEA/ADEA Council of Students, Residents and Fellows/ Colgate Oral Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Junior Faculty Award

Dr. IVY Lin, University of Washington School of Dentistry

ADEA Leadership Institute Phase V Leadership Development Tuition Scholarship

Dr. Andres Davila, Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine

ADEA/Gillette Hayden Memorial Foundation/ AAWD Woman Dentist Tuition Scholarship

Dr. Yvette Alania, University of Maryland School of Dentistry

ADEA Dr. Jeanne C. Sinkford Faculty Leadership Award

Dr. Kady Rawal, Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine

ADEAGies Foundation Junior Faculty Achievement in Oral Health Education

Dr. Tien Jianq, Harvard School of Dental Medicine

ADEAGies Foundation Faculty Achievement in Allied Oral Health Education

Dr. Yvette Reibel, University of Minnesota School of Dentistry

TUESDAY, MARCH 11 10:00 - 11:15 a.m.

TUESDAY PLENARY

FROM SURVIVAL TO SUCCESS

ADEA/Haleon Preventive Dentistry Scholarships

Mr. Delbert Oxborrow, University of Washington School of Dentistry

Ms. Hind Aljarahi, University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine

Ms. Juanna Xie, Harvard School of Dental Medicine

Mr. Kyle Wright, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine

Mr. Kiarash Mahmoudidizaji, Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine

Ms. Ji Heon Chung, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Adams School of Dentistry

Ms. Chaunice Johnson, Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry

Ms. Aliceson Drollette, McGill University Faculty of Dental Medicine and Oral Health Sciences

Mr. RayJ Jackson, University of Michigan School of Dentistry

Ms. Abigail Musgrave, The Ohio State University College of Dentistry

Ms. Kendra Domotor, University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine

Mr. Jay Shah, University of California, San Francisco, School of Dentistry

ADEA/MouthWatch Patti DiGangi Scholarship for Dental Hygiene Innovation

Ms. Kristen Valenzuela, UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry

ADEA/MouthWatch Predoctoral Dental Student Scholarship for Innovation

Ms. Camila Tussie, Harvard School of Dental Medicine

ADEA/Crest Oral-B Scholarships for Dental Hygiene Students Pursuing Academic Careers

Ms. Vanessa Johnson, University of British Columbia Faculty of Dentistry

Ms. Victoria Lohr, The Ohio State University College of Dentistry

ADEA/Crest Oral-B Scholarships for Predoctoral Dental Students Pursuing Academic Careers

Ms. Nicole Setterington, Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine

Mr. Andrew Chen, University of California, San Francisco, School of Dentistry

ADEA/Sigma Phi Alpha Linda DeVore Scholarship

Ms. Natasha Smith, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry

ADEA Student Poster Awards, sponsored by Dentsply Sirona

To be announced

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