



Who We Are

The California Association of Dental Plans (CADP) is the non-profit trade association focused exclusively on the dental benefits industry in California including dental PPOs, dental HMOs, discount dental plans and dental indemnity products. CADP is California's only organization for Knox-Keene and Department of Insurance licensed dental plans. CADP was organized in 1985 to promote, through education and collective action, the mutual interests of the dental benefits industry.



Who We Represent

CADP members provide dental benefits to 89% of the 39+ million Californians with dental benefits. Our members include the entire spectrum of dental carriers: companies that provide both medical and dental coverage, companies that provide only dental coverage, major national carriers, regional California companies, and companies organized as nonprofit plans. (2025 data)



Our Mission

CADP's mission is to represent the dental benefits industry and to promote access to affordable, quality dental benefits and improved oral health through legislative, regulatory and educational advocacy.



Our Objectives

- To represent and advocate for the regulatory and legislative interests of the dental benefits industry
- Serve as a dental benefits authority that provides guidance and educational resources of value to member plans
- Develop guidelines, support activities, and provide resources that improve oral health through access to affordable, quality dental benefits



Our Programs

Advocacy: The CADP advocacy function is an integral part of the legislative and regulatory process. CADP is influential in shaping issues which have an impact on the California dental benefits industry.

Education: CADP offers a variety of professional development opportunities: the Annual and Capitol Day Conferences, the semi-annual Quality Assurance Consultant Courses, and other educational opportunities.

Assessment Warehouse: CADP promotes industry wide standards for dental care delivery, based upon guidance provided by the dental and specialty professions and regulatory entities on both state and national levels. The Members' Only Assessment Warehouse offers an efficient, cost-effective way to satisfy state mandates by sharing important information and coordinating assessment efforts.

Communication: CADP members benefit from an ongoing exchange of ideas provided in both structured and informal settings including Association-sponsored events, e-newsletters and MyCADP, the members' only online community.

The Association also serves as an effective conduit for communicating issues of concern to the media.



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Our Members

