

North Dakota Dental Assistants Association

2026 Annual State Convention

Radisson Hotel, Bismarck ND

Schedule of Events for September 18th, 2026

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open	Radisson Hotel, Room
7:30 a.m.- 8:00 a.m.	Registration	Radisson Hotel,
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 am	Artificial Intelligence in Dentistry: A Practical Look	Dr John Persson
9 :00 a.m. –10:00 a.m.	Smile like it matters: Lessons from the science of thriving	Dr. Tara Feil, PhD, Clinical Psychologist
10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.	Not Just Sucking Spit Any Longer: Digital Dentistry with Scanning, 3D Printing & In-House Milling	Kari Kolling, RDH, BS
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	‘Treating Malocclusion with SureSmile’	Emma Johnson
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch - General Assembly	
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 pm	Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office	Joseph R. Deatherage, DMD, MD
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Dental Assistant by Day, Pretzel by Noon Practical posture & Ergonomic Tools for Career Longevity & Pain Relief	Dr. Denise Wetzel, PT, DPT
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	“Hearing health in dentistry, protecting your hearing while caring for others.”	Dr. Matt Frisk, Audiologist