



SAN FRANCISCO DENTAL SOCIETY

ETHICS COMMITTEE

Purpose: The Ethics Committee is responsible for educating the membership about the ethical standards held by the dental profession and organized dentistry

Primary Responsibilities:

- To ensure communication of ethical standards established by the CDA and the ADA.
- Provide information to help member dentists comply with the Code of Ethics.
- Review, address complaints submitted by members or patients that relate the Code of Ethics. Unresolved issues will be reported, in writing, to the CDA board of directors.
- Provide articles of interest for The Bridge

Time Commitment/Meeting Schedule: Depending upon the complexity of any given ethics case(s), virtual meetings or conference calls will be called by the chair. All committee meetings are scheduled with the SFDS office.

Composition and Terms of Office: Is composed of at least 3 members appointed by the president and subject to approval of the Board of Directors. The committee Chair serves a two (2) year term renewable for a maximum of three (3) consecutive terms. The executive director attends all ethics committee meetings.

Special Qualifications/Skills:

- To serve on the committee, volunteers must be five-year (5) members of the association
- Committee members are selected for their ability to maintain objectivity, discretion, confidentiality, and understanding
- Committee members are not compensated or placed in a position to received financial gain from service on the committee