

## Canadian Academy of Endodontics Report-2019

I want to thank the AAE for the invitation to address the executive this afternoon. I am joined by fellow CAE executive members, Dr. Ian Watson, Dr. Kevin Calzonetti, Dr. Dave Campbell and incoming member Dr. Rodrigo Cunha.

I would like to start by saying that the CAE and myself in particular were very appreciative of the invitation to participate in the Welcome Ceremony at the meeting. I appreciated the queries in regards to protocols of flag bearing and anthems and it clearly demonstrated the collegial and respectful relationship between our two organizations. I must say that the meeting has been truly enjoyable and informative and we look forward to the rest of the sessions and events.

The CAE had our Annual meeting in Vancouver in October of last year. The meeting offered many unique and informative educational sessions and had a social program that allowed attendees to experience some of the highlights that the region had to offer. The meeting was well attended and enjoyed by all.

The past few months have been busy and truly eventful. My chief goal as president of the CAE was to help increase the exposure and presence of the CAE. To help achieve this a dialogue with the Canadian Dental Association (CDA) was initiated to help amplify our message nationally to the greater dental community.

Early in the new-year the movie "Root Cause" was brought to our attention. This movie created great consternation in the dental community. The CAE elected to not engage the movie directly but to rather take this an opportunity to explain the merits and safety of endodontic treatment. As a result a **Safety of Endodontic Treatment** statement was developed that was sent to all our members and was posted on the "Patient" section of the website. At the same time I was approached by the CDA to comment on the movie. As a result we were created 2 documents, a **Joint Public Statement on Root Canal Treatment** and a **How to Respond to Questions from Patients about Root Canal Treatment**. These documents can also be found on our website at [www.caeendo.ca](http://www.caeendo.ca). These documents were sent to all CAE members and to all dentists in the country via the CDA or their provincial dental associations. The response from CAE members and from CDA membership has been very positive. The relationship with the CDA has proven to be mutually beneficial and has helped emphasize our role as the authority for endodontics in Canada.

As a result of the movie we were approached by the AAE (and later by IFEA) to respond to the movie. The AAE adopted an approach reflective of the desires of its members and leadership. As a result of the shared goals and collegial relationship between our two organizations I shared the documents we created and agreed to dialogue with the AAE and Dr. Taylor as the situation evolved. Dr. Taylor kindly reciprocated in kind and we looked forward to working together in the future. I am happy that the movie is no longer on the NETFLIX US or Canada sites.

The **CAE Annual General Meeting** is scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> 2019 at the Fairmont Tremblant, Mont Tremblant, Québec. Mont Tremblant in the fall is a spectacular location.

The themes of the program include surgical and nonsurgical endodontics and the diagnosis and management of post Endodontic pain. We have a tremendous slate of speakers who are leaders in the discipline of endodontics. I am happy to say that Dr. Law is one of those leaders participating.

In addition to the educational component we have a great social component to the program with nature hikes, zip-lining, cooking classes, receptions and a golf tournament for everyone in attendance. Registration for the meeting will be open in May and we invite any and all AAE members to attend and experience the CAE Annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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