International Federation of Dental Hygienists

Individual Membership Application Form

To apply for Individual Membership, Dental Hygienists must provide written proof of either:

- Graduating from an accredited minimum two-year dental hygiene program or
- Membership (in good standing) in an Association that is an IFDH member (include a copy of your national association ID card or proof of membership).

Name:
Full Address:
City:
State:
Country:
Zip:
Phone (Home):
Phone (Office):
Mobile:
Fax:
Email Address:
National Association:

Payment method and details: (Please check one.)

- Bank Check or Money Order: Amount $125 USD, make payable to IFDH
- Credit Card:
  - Amount: $125 USD
  - Card: Visa
  - Exp. Date:
  - Name on card:
  - Signature:
  - Mail payment and this form to: IFDH, 100 South Washington Street, Rockville, MD USA 20850
- OR scan and email to: membership@IFDH.org

Individual Membership

Any Dental Hygienist who is a member in good standing of a national Dental Hygienists’ association that is an IFDH member, or is a graduate of an accredited minimum two-year Dental Hygiene program may apply. Benefits include:

- Annual subscription to the International Journal of Dental Hygiene ($250 value)
- Certificate of Membership
- IFDH pin
- Quarterly eNewsletter
- Invitations to IFDH events
- Reduced fees for ISDH and Education Academy
- Networking opportunities with other members

Student Membership

Entry level students of accredited Dental Hygiene programs of at least 2 years duration can join the IFDH at a reduced annual fee.

For more information, please visit www.IFDH.org
Global Leadership, Collaboration, Advocacy & More!

The IFDH is an international non-governmental organization, originally established in 1973 and now incorporated and registered in the United States as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. It unites Dental Hygiene associations and individual members from around the world.

MISSION: The International Federation of Dental Hygienists is an international non-profit association unifying national Dental Hygienist organizations, by fostering leadership and collaboration. IFDH is the principal advocate for the dental hygiene profession globally and promotes excellence in oral health, education, research and practice.

VISION: IFDH is dedicated to enhancing the recognition of the dental hygienist as being the key provider of preventive oral health care worldwide, and ensuring that oral health is integrated as a key aspect of overall health.

INVolvement FROM all Members

IFDH currently (2020) has association membership of 34 National Dental Hygienist organizations and growing. Two representatives are sent by each Full Association Member to the governing body known as the House of Delegates, which meets every 2 or 3 years prior to the International Symposium on Dental Hygiene. From the House of Delegates, the Board of Directors is elected to administer the business of the IFDH on their behalf.

National Dental Hygienists Association Members

AUSTRALIA
Dental Hygienists’ Association of Australia (Inc) (DZHA)
Affiliated Association Member: Australian Dental and Oral Health Therapists’ Association (ADOTH) (2010)
AUSTRIA
Austrian Association of Dental Hygienists (ÖDHÖ)
CANADA
Canadian Dental Hygienists Association (CDHA)
CZECH REPUBLIC
Česká Zemská Hygienická Asociace (CZHA) CR (2011)
FINLAND
Finnish Federation of Dental Hygienists’ Associations (SFH) (2019)
GERMANY
German Dental Hygienists Association (DDGH e.V.) (2010)
INDIA
Indian National Dental Hygienists Association (INDHA) (2016)
IRELAND
Irish National Dental Hygienists’ Association (Irish DHA) (2010)
ISRAEL
Israel Dental Hygienists’ Association (Israel DHA) (2010)
ITALY
Associazione Italiana Igienisti Odontoiatri (AIIO) (2010)
JAPAN
Japan Dental Hygienists Association (JDHA) (2010)
KOREA
Korean Dental Hygienists Association (KDIHA) (2010)
LATVIA
Latvian Dental Hygienists Association (LZHR) (2010)
LITHUANIA
Lithuanian Dental Hygienists Association (LZH) (2010)
MALTA
Malta Association of Dental Hygienists (2016)
NEPAL
Nepalese Dental Hygienists’ Association (NDA) (2019)
NETHERLANDS
Nederlandse Vereniging van Artikulaire Hygiënisten (NVAH) (2010)
NEW ZEALAND
New Zealand Dental Hygienists’ Association (NZDHA) (2010)
NORWAY
Norges Tandhygienisters Landsforbund (NTF) (2010)
PORTUGAL
Portuguese Dental Hygienists’ Association (APTEDH) (2010)
RUSSIA
Professional Society of Russian Dental Hygienists (2010)
SINGAPORE
Association for Oral Health Therapists (ADOHT) (2010)
SLOVAK REPUBLIC
Association of Dental Hygienists of Slovak Republic (AODS) (2010)
SOUTH AFRICA
South African Dental Hygienists’ Association (SADHA) (2010)
SPAIN
Spanish Association of Oral Hygienists (EDSPEI) (2016)
SWEDEN
Swedish Dental Hygienists Association (Svenska Tandhygienisters Forbundet) (2010)
SWITZERLAND
Swiss Dental Hygienists’ Association (ZSH) (2010)
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Emirates Dental Hygienists’ Club (2010)
UNITED KINGDOM
British Society of Dental Hygienists and Therapy (BSDHT) (2010)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
American Dental Hygienists’ Association (ADHA) (2010)

A Full Range of Programs For our Members

EDUCATION ACADEMY & CE RESOURCES

The IFDH Education Academy is an international continuing education resource for dental hygienists. Courses are offered online for free or at discounted rates for IFDH Individual Members and members of IFDH Association Members.

EVERY CHILD HASE A TOOTHBRUSH

For dental hygienists inspired to improve the oral health of children, we offer a program and funding designed to teach children how to use a toothbrush effectively, to better control biofilm and reduce the risk of tooth decay.

INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL

The quarterly International Journal of Dental Hygiene is the official scientific peer-reviewed journal of the IFDH, bringing the latest scientific news, high quality commissioned reviews as well as clinical, professional and educational developmental and legislative news to the profession world wide is published quarterly.

RESEARCH GRANTS

This program promotes experience in the research process and dissemination of findings contributing to the dental hygiene body of knowledge, by providing grants for students enrolled in dental hygiene graduate programs conducting thesis research.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The IFDH Social Responsibility program offers funding to promote access to quality preventive oral health services, increase public awareness that oral disease can be prevented through proven regimens and provide a forum for the understanding and discussion of issues pertaining to dental hygiene.

Representing over 85,000 dental hygienists

As of January 1, 2020

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2024 Seoul, S. Korea
2026 Milan, Italy

UPCOMING VENUES

International Symposium on Dental Hygiene

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