

# Garden State Conference

October 26- October 27, 2018

## Access to Care Panel:

Extending Our Reach - How NJ RDHs are Meeting the Needs of the Community

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

The format will be an interactive panel presentation and discussion by dental hygienists working to increase access to care for underserved communities. The dental hygienists will discuss ways NJDHA members are reaching out to pregnant women, children, senior citizens and the disabled to reduce the barriers to care these populations often face.

### COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course the attendee should be able to:

1. Recognize the great need for oral health care among NJ pregnant women, children, independent-living seniors and long-term care facility -living seniors and the disabled.
2. Identify NJ oral health programs that are available to provide education and care.
3. Determine potential adjustments that could make NJ oral health care programs more accessible.
4. Describe ways for more dental hygienist involvement in access to care programs.

### Moderator: Latanya Williams (Bergen)

Current NJDHA Secretary

Dental Hygiene Education: Loyola University (New Orleans)

Clinician, Educator, and Lecturer



Latanya graduated from Loyola University (New Orleans). She is an instructor at a Dental Hygiene and a Dental Assisting school. She also does continuing education courses for hygienists and assistants. She is the current NJDHA Secretary and Director - Pediatrics Study Club. Latanya is involved with the United Way of Central Jersey's program to help educate pregnant women on oral health.

## Panelists:

### Yvonne Goldman RDH, BA (Northern)

Dental Special Needs Coordinator, Hackensack Meridian Health at Mountainside Medical Center



Yvonne graduated from the College of Medicine and Dentistry (now Rutgers). She has practiced in hospital based dentistry for over 30 years. She coordinates special needs services between both the medical and dental sides for patients who need hospital operating room dental services. Yvonne serves NJDHA as the Liaison to United Way of Central Jersey Fluoride Varnish Outreach Program to bring oral health care to school aged children.

### Becky Pugh RDH, AS (Southern)

NJDHA Executive Director



Becky graduated from Old Dominion University and has held licenses in Virginia, Michigan and New Jersey. For many years she worked clinically with geriatric patients. Once retired, Becky will spend her time managing the NJ Coalition on Oral Health for the Aging with program development for grants, projects we can do now, and projects for the future.

### Luz Munera RDH, AS (Northern)

Clinician, Union County NJ



Luz graduated from the University of Medicine and Dentistry (now Rutgers). She has been very active in outreach services in her local and state communities as well as abroad. She has also served as Vice President of NJDHA and is currently the Membership Coordinator for the NJDHA Northern Component. Luz is the Coordinator of Oral Cancer Screening for Seniors.



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Online-Registration will be posted on the website [www.njdha.org](http://www.njdha.org) in August

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