



March 27, 2023

Dan Logsdon, Director
National Center for Interstate Compacts
The Council of State Governments
1776 Avenue of the States
Lexington, KY 40511

Dear Mr. Logsdon:

On behalf of the 22,000+ members of the American Student Dental Association (ASDA), I am writing to express our support for the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact.

Currently, obstacles prevent dentists from moving freely between states to deliver care. The Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact will allow freedom of movement for dentists and dental hygienists across state lines, thus promoting enhanced access and continuity of care for patients.

Importantly, the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact has the potential to alleviate the cost and administrative burden placed on dentists looking to obtain a dental license in multiple states. It could also alleviate the challenges military personnel and spouses face in obtaining a license when relocating. Creating a streamlined and uniform licensure process allows dentists to focus on providing the best possible care for their patients.

ASDA fully supports the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Shafa Nathani'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'S' at the beginning.

Shafa Nathani, 2023-24 ASDA President