

Patricia Jednorozec, MPH, RDHAP



Patricia Jednorozec graduated as a dental hygienist from Fairleigh Dickinson University School of Dental Hygiene in 1966. She completed her BS degree in health education at the University of Oregon and Masters in Public Health from San Jose State University. Her 30 year career includes: working as a marketing and sales representative taking products into the dental market to improve infection control; employment as a health educator for San Mateo County; program development with the Bay Area Agency on Aging and private practice. Pat recently completed the Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice program at the University of the Pacific and as an RDHAP now provides care in nursing home facilities and for homebound patients. She also serves as a member of the Advisory Committee for the RDH program at CSM. Pat has been a featured speaker addressing fearful dental patients in addition to other areas of dental health. Pat is a member of the American Dental Hygienists' Association, California Dental Hygienists' Association, as well as the Special Care Dentistry Association. She has been President of the San Francisco and the Peninsula Components and is currently serving as Chair of the CDHA Public Health Council.

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Education

RDHAP License, University of Pacific School of Dentistry
Master's of Public Health San Jose State University
Certificate in Dental Hygiene, Fairleigh Dickinson University
Bachelor of Science in Health Education, University of Oregon

Personal/Program Awards and Recognitions:

California Dental Hygienists' Association Outstanding Component Member
Community Service Award for Outstanding Achievement in Advancing Dental Health - Presented by the San Mateo County Dental Society

Primary function in public health position:

I developed, implemented and evaluated San Mateo County's School Based dental program. In addition, I worked with the Chief Public Health Educator on the influenza program for seniors, the School Health Council for San Mateo County, and the Teen Pregnancy program.

What experiences prepared you for your work in public health?

The BS in Health Education and an MPH, as well as training in the Santa Clara County Health Department's school based dental program.

What is the most enjoyable aspect of dental public health?

Helping those that would otherwise be unable to obtain care.

Proudest public health accomplishment:

The ability to work with a target population that gets no help, especially seniors who are unable to obtain care.

Public Health employer/branch/department and official job title:

From 1975-1981, San Mateo County Department of Public Health, Health Education Associate.

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