

September 24, 2026

Dear Member Dentists,

Your vote is important.

You have an opportunity to help shape the future direction of our organization by participating in the election of Washington Dental Service (WDS) Member Directors. These directors serve as voting members of the WDS Boards of Directors and bring the voice and perspective of practicing dentists to Board-level discussions and decisions.

Please submit your vote in advance of the Annual Member Meeting on **Friday, November 13, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.** Advance voting closes 12 hours before the meeting. If you plan to attend the meeting virtually, you will also have the opportunity to vote during the meeting in accordance with the voting instructions provided.

This year, **Dr. Dennis Bradshaw** is standing for re-election to a two-year term through 2028, and **Dr. Katie Hakes** is standing for re-election to a three-year term through 2029. Included with this mailing are the official meeting notice, agenda, proxy voting card, voting instructions, and candidate letters from Dr. Bradshaw and Dr. Hakes.

You can learn more about this year's candidates and the important role Member Directors play in WDS governance. Our [**Annual Member Meeting Resource Hub**](#) provides candidate biographies, letters and videos, details about the Member Director role, voting instructions, and answers to frequently asked questions.

You can also hear directly from this year's candidates below:

- [**Watch Dr. Dennis Bradshaw's Candidate Video**](#)
- [**Watch Dr. Katie Hakes' Candidate Video**](#)

If you plan to attend the **WDS Annual Member Meeting virtually on Friday, November 13, 2026, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**, we welcome your participation. In addition to hearing updates about the organization, you will have the opportunity to vote during the meeting. If you have questions about the Annual Member Meeting or voting process, please contact [**AMMHelp@DeltaDentalWA.com**](mailto:AMMHelp@DeltaDentalWA.com). Thank you for your continued partnership and dedication to the patients and communities you serve.

Best regards,



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