



Lithuanian Dental Hygienists Association (LDHA)

Founded in 1999.

Members – 353 in 2024.

Number of DHs holding valid clinical licensure – around 900.

Number of practicing dentists is around 4500.

Education: Professional Bachelor (5 programs) 3 years, Bachelor in Oral Health (University program) 4 years, also DH programs in English are available.

New logo in 2024.

Board of LDHA consists of 6 members, President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer and 2 board members who are elected for four years period.

Currently LDHA is a member of:

- Lithuanian Public Health Association
- European Dental Hygienists Federation
- Internation Federation of Dental Hygienists

LDHA is actively collaborating with Lithuanian Ministry of Health on new regulations towards primary care services for oral health.

Also, member are volunteering in the prevention program “Three Heroes”, visiting kindergarten and primary schools in rural areas to promote teeth brushing and healthy nutrition fundamentals.

Last year, 2023, two conferences were organized, wherein total almost 500 participants were present. In May 13, in Kaunas the international conference dedicated to caries diagnosing, treatment and prevention was organized, where lectures from Denmark, Italy and Lithuania presented.

In November 18, In Vilnius the annual international conference was organized with presenters from the Netherlands, Slovakia and Lithuania.

Both events were possible thanks to our sponsors and members.

In 2024, LDHA celebrates 25th Anniversary of the organization.

May 17, an online event “Dental hygienists in Lithuania- perspective and retrospectives of the profession” in collaboration with Lithuanian Health Science University was organized. The presenter from all educational institutions from DH programs were present, as well as presenters from Portugal and USA. It was a big honor to have a presentation of Judith Martin, RDH, from USA, who gave a nice start to DH study program in Lithuania.

Also there is a competition organized for LDHA member – challenges “Let’s walk around the Europe” . With the help of App, all registered members whole June are counting their steps together, seeking to walk together certain amount of steps. Those, who will walk the most steps in a month will win additionally some prizes.

On November 22-23, the II Baltic Congress of Oral hygiene will be organised.

