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Dear Practitioner

As we usher in a brand-new year, we want to take a moment to wish you, our valued members, a prosperous and fulfilling 2025. The start of a new year is the perfect opportunity to reflect on past achievements and set new goals for personal and professional growth. At SADA, we are here to support you every step of the way, ensuring that your journey in oral healthcare is both rewarding and impactful.

Membership with SADA is more than just affiliation; it's a gateway to unmatched professional support, development, and growth in the field of oral healthcare. Whether you're a student, a seasoned practitioner, or part of a broader dental support team, the benefits of being part of this vibrant and inclusive community are endless.

In this article, we'll remind you of the many reasons why being a SADA member sets you apart and empowers you to achieve excellence in your career and practice. From exclusive resources and professional development opportunities to networking and practice support, discover how SADA helps you thrive. During this year, we will expand on details of some of these benefits.

Prefer listening instead? Start the year inspired by tuning in to our podcast-style conversational audio (<https://shorturl.at/LD82Q>), where we delve deeper into these benefits and explore how SADA is continually innovating to serve you better. Let's make 2025 your most successful and fulfilling year yet—together.

Here's to new beginnings, new opportunities, and ongoing excellence in oral healthcare. Happy New Year from all of us at SADA!

Benefits of SADA Membership

At SADA, we're not just an association; we are your professional home in oral healthcare, committed to supporting your growth and ensuring that you stay at the forefront of your field. Here's why joining SADA is one of the best decisions you can make for your career and practice:

Exclusive Member Benefits:

- **Free Membership for Students:** If you're a dental or oral health student, you can enjoy **complimentary membership**, giving you immediate access to resources and support that will set you up for success from the very start.

- **A Diverse and Inclusive Community:** As a SADA member, you will connect with a broad range of professionals across multiple specialties — General Dentistry, Orthodontics, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, Maxillofacial Surgery, and more. Since 2020, we've also expanded our membership to include Oral Hygienists, Dental Therapists, Dental Technicians, and Dental Assistants. You'll be part of a truly inclusive community.
- **Ongoing Professional Development:** Stay ahead in your practice with **regular workshops, webinars, and branch events** designed to enhance your skills and offer mentorship opportunities. Continuous learning is a cornerstone of our community. Achieving 30 CEU per year will be a breeze.
- **Exclusive Resources:** Access the **South African Dental Journal** and **The Golden Compass**, your go-to guide for community service year—both available digitally to make it easier for you to stay updated, wherever you are.
- **Networking Opportunities:** Attend the **International SADA Dental & Oral Health Congress and Exhibition** at discounted rates, and network with the brightest minds in oral healthcare. Participate in mentoring circles, study groups, and local and international networking events that can open new doors for you.
- **Clinical and Practice Support:** Get expert guidance on practice management and clinical issues, with continuous telephone and email support. We've got your back when it comes to navigating challenges in your practice.
- **Legal Assistance & Protection:** As a member, you will receive access to **legal assistance** related to your practice and enjoy peace of mind. SADA is the preferred partner for Dental Protection (Medical Protection Society - MPS), in South Africa.
- **Special Discounts:** SADA members enjoy discounts of up to **22%** with top brands such as **Mercedes-Benz, BMW, and ABSA Bank**—because we believe in supporting you not just professionally, but personally as well.
- **Industry Updates & Advocacy:** Stay informed with **timely industry updates, research grants**, and the latest advancements in dentistry. SADA advocates on your behalf to regulatory bodies like the **HPCSA**, ensuring that your voice is heard.
- **Access to Unique Tools:** Get **exclusive access to South Africa's only dental coding book** and purchase **D-Calc™**, the **Profitability Assessment Tool**, at over 50% off—helping you stay ahead of the competition.
- **Job Listings & Classifieds:** Advertise your job opportunities and practice requirements for **free** through SADA Classifieds or the **MyGlue** member community—your trusted hub for connections.
- **Practice Templates:** Get access to essential resources, templates, and contracts that help ensure your practice complies with South African health and safety regulations.
- **Member-Only Bulletins:** Stay informed with the **SADARite** and **Professional Bulletins**, keeping you up to date with trends and providing career development insights.

Exciting New Developments for SADA Members

We're constantly striving to enhance the value of your membership, and we're currently working on some **game-changing** new initiatives that will directly benefit you:

- **Preferential Rates & Rewarding the Right Behaviour:** SADA is revising and introducing new methods to offer **preferential rates** exclusively for members. This solution is set to revolutionize how we reward members—by **focusing on driving the right behaviours**. Soon, members who consistently demonstrate the right actions will be rewarded, encouraging positive change within the community.
- **Top-of-the-Range Dental Practice Software:** We are excited to announce that **cutting-edge dental practice software** will soon be available to SADA members. This software, currently in development, will streamline your practice management and improve efficiency, providing you with top-tier tools that can support your practice's growth.

- **SADA to Offer Free Editable Templates for Members:** Soon, SADA will be offering **free, editable templates** for members to download and easily customize with their practice information. These templates will be designed for a variety of uses, including marketing, social media, communication, and overall branding. With a simple and intuitive process, members will be able to quickly personalize these templates and start using them immediately. This will be a fantastic tool to enhance the **visibility** and **professional image** of their practices, making it easier than ever to engage with patients and stand out in the community.

Why SADA? Because Your Success is Our Mission

Joining SADA means you're not just getting access to a wealth of resources, but also becoming part of a **community** built on **integrity, excellence, innovation, and empathy**. We are dedicated to empowering you to reach your full potential and help you make a real difference in the oral healthcare landscape. As a member, you gain access to countless opportunities, tools, and support that allow you to thrive in your career and practice.

We're here to walk with you every step of the way, providing a foundation that helps you succeed. Become a part of **SADA today**—where your professional growth is nurtured, your challenges are met with support, and your achievements are celebrated.

If you have any questions or need assistance, reach out to us at **+27 11 484 5288** or email sadamembership@sada.co.za

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31 Jan	SADA Gauteng South Branch (GS070) - 31 January 2025
12 Feb	SADA Pretoria Branch (PTA057) - 12 February 2025
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