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Dentists in New Jersey, Nevada, and Kansas will be the first to test new site powered by Wonderbox Technologies that will eliminate the need to provide credential information to payers individually

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MEQUON, Wisc. — As part of its continuing effort to add member value, the American Dental Association (ADA) today launched a <u>pilot program</u> to test its new dental provider centralized Credential registration database and website. Developed by <u>Wonderbox Technologies</u>, an agile, innovative software firm that is part of the <u>SKYGEN USA</u> family of distinguished benefit solutions companies, the Credential registration database is the only resource of its kind with which the ADA is directly involved.

Dentists in New Jersey, Nevada, and Kansas will be the first to enter their credentials into the securely designed data portal in order to test its functionality and ease of use before rolling out nationally later in the summer. The database will enable dentists to enter their credential information into the database one time and have it used by multiple health payers rather than filling out a time-consuming, labor-intensive application for each payer network the provider wishes to join. Payers will go to a separate ADA web portal to download the information as raw or verified files for a nominal fee. The data portals and supporting components were built using the Wonderbox Technologies Enterprise System.

"Through conversations with our members we recognized that credentialing, while very important to ensuring consistent integrity of dental networks, is a time-consuming, costly administrative task that takes dentists away from patient care," said Kathleen T. O'Loughlin, D.M.D., M.P.H., executive director of the ADA. "Every hour dentists or their staffs spend filling out a credentialing application is an hour they're not helping patients or the practice. Building a centralized, comprehensive database with Wonderbox Technologies mitigates that issue."

"There is no reason for dental provider credentialing to pose such a costly administrative burden in an era where technology solutions are available," said Craig Kasten, board chairman and founder of SKYGEN USA. "After a great deal of planning, preparation and development we are excited to see the pilot program go live, and are looking forward to working closely with the ADA to take what we learn from it and apply it to the full launch later this summer."

The ADA is providing the usage of the credential registration database as a free service to all members and non-member dentists. Future costs for verification purposes will apply for non-members. For more information or to register, dental providers can go to ada.org/credentialing.

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ADA Credentialing Service created in collaboration with:

About the American Dental Association

The not-for-profit ADA is the nation's largest dental association, representing more than 159,000 dentist members. The premier source of oral health information, the ADA has advocated for the public's health and promoted the art and science of dentistry since 1859. The ADA's state-of-the-art research facilities develop and test dental products and materials that have advanced the practice of dentistry and made the patient experience more positive. The ADA Seal of Acceptance long has been a valuable and respected guide to consumer dental care products. The monthly The Journal of the American Dental Association (JADA) is the ADA's flagship publication and the best-read scientific journal in dentistry. For more information about the ADA, visit ADA.org. For more information on oral health, including prevention, care and treatment of dental disease, visit the ADA's consumer website MouthHealthy.org.

About Wonderbox Technologies

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