An update from the MDA: A legislative and regulatory review and its impact on dentistry.

The presentation will review:

- 1. Current legislative and regulatory initiatives impacting the profession
- 2. The political process and the implication on legislative initiatives
- 3. Organized Dentistry with a discussion on the Tripartite
- 4. MDA member benefits and resources including pending member initiatives and collaborations

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Bio: Carmelo Cinqueonce was appointed Executive Director for the Minnesota Dental Association (MDA) in April of 2012. As Executive Director, Carmelo is responsible for the day to day management of the organization. Prior to joining the MDA, Carmelo served as Chief Executive Officer for the South Carolina Pharmacy Association from 2006 to 2012. Carmelo also served as Executive Vice President and lead lobbyist for the Massachusetts Pharmacists Association from 1997 to 2006. Carmelo holds a B.A. in Corporate Communications from Framingham State University and an M.B.A. from the University of Massachusetts—Boston, College of Management. In his career of over 20 years as an association executive, Carmelo served in numerous leadership roles. He has served as Treasurer of the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations (NASPA) and as a Board Member for the Alliance for Patient Medication Safety (a certified Patient Safety Organization). Carmelo also served on the Board of Directors for WelVista, an organization dedicated to providing health care services to the working poor. Currently, Carmelo serves as a member of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry's Board of Visitors, as a Board member of Associations North, and as a Board member of the Americas Dentists Care Foundation. In his present and past employment, Carmelo has and continues to serve on numerous committees and coalitions with state agencies and related stakeholder organizations.