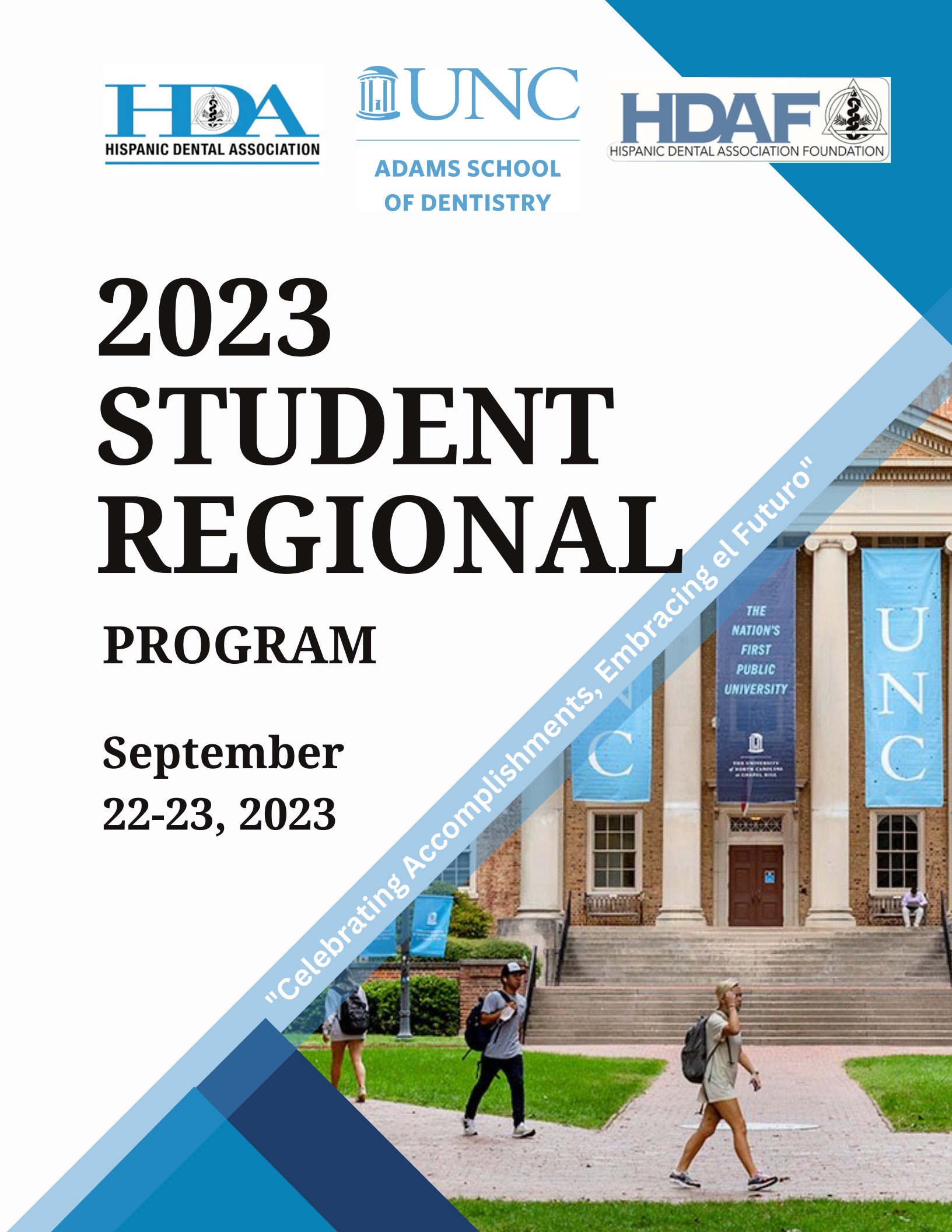




# 2023 STUDENT REGIONAL PROGRAM

September  
22-23, 2023

"Celebrating Accomplishments, Embracing el Futuro"





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**Welcome to the 2023 Hispanic Dental Association (HDA)  
Student Regional Conference!**

On behalf of the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill and our UNC Adams School of Dentistry, I'm so pleased to have you here with us in Chapel Hill!

Part of our mission as oral health care providers is to serve the entire population here in North Carolina and beyond. We are dedicated to bringing services and outreach to underserved populations, including those in our most rural communities where resources are scarce and quality dental care is hard to find.

During last year's event, I hadn't yet arrived at Adams School of Dentistry, but I've spent my time since October getting to know our students, including our outstanding chapter of the Hispanic Student Dental Association (HSDA).

I have had the distinct pleasure of working closely with our chapter's representatives, including Renie Daniel, DMD, MD, our faculty advisor, and Sylvette Ramos-Diaz in her role as HDA National Student Trustee. I am grateful for them, UNC HSDA President Angeliz Rivera-Concepción and the entire executive team. Their hard work and dedication are evident both in and out of the classroom and student clinics. Based on my interactions with the UNC HSDA chapter, I can say with confidence that this group consistently embodies the values, ethics and mission of what it means to be an oral health care provider in today's world. Their community connections run through everything they do – from service projects and outreach in our clinics to providing culturally attuned care to historically marginalized populations. They are constant voices for the underserved, including those who may not seek regular dental care or lack resources to make a trip to the dentist.

I'm happy to extend a warm Tar Heel welcome to all of you! We are so happy to have you here at Adams School of Dentistry, and I hope you are able to take advantage of the wonderful programming offered during this Student Regional event. I know you are gaining valuable knowledge, and I can't wait to work with all of you in the future as you join the oral health profession. Please enjoy your time here with us in Chapel Hill!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janet M. Guthmiller". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Janet Guthmiller, DDS, PhD  
Dean, UNC Adams School of Dentistry

# PROGRAM

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**Friday**

**Sept. 22**

**7:00 - 9:00 PM**

**Welcome Reception  
"Noche de Estrellas"**



**9:00 - 10:30 PM**

**Salsa Social**

Annie Velez & DJ Kemo

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**Saturday**

**Sept. 23**

West Lobby / Atrium

**Welcome Remarks**

Location: Kirkland

**8:00 - 8:20 AM**

Dr. Christina Meiners, 2023 HDA President

▶ Dr. Janet Guthmiller, Dean UNC Adams School of Dentistry

Dr. Sarita Arteaga, HDA Foundation President

Sylvette Ramos-Diaz, D4, UNC ASoD, HDA Student Trustee

Angeliz Rivera-Concepcion, D3, UNC ASoD, HSDA President

Bernard Silverstein, D3, UNC ASoD, HSDA President-Elect

**Educational Sessions**

**8:25 - 8:55 AM**

Location: Kirkland

**"Whats Your Why?"**

Dr. Renie Daniel, UNC HSDA Faculty Advisor, OMFS

**Registration / Breakfast**

**7:10 - 7:50 AM**

Cafe y Mas



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## 9:00 - 9:20 AM

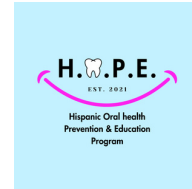
Location: Kirkland

### Unique UNC Cultural Health Initiatives

Karina Ibarra, RDH, Founder of F.L.O.S.S

Angeliz Rivera-Concepcion & Skylar McGaughey, Co-Founders of SOAR

Sylvette Ramos-Diaz, Co-Founder of H.O.P.E Program



## 9:30 - 12:00 PM

Location: Sim Lab

### BOLD Program: UNC Roots (For Pre Dental Students Only)

Presentations on admissions committee expectations, applying to dental school, hands on sessions and DAT prep giveaways.

Aidée Manzano, Julianne Rivera & Lamont Lowery



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### Concurrent Sessions:

#### 9:30 - 10:10 AM

#### Baby Oral Health Program (bOHP) & Prenatal Oral Health (pOHP) Program

Sam Glover & Dr. Sarah M. Cook

Room: G411

#### 9:30 - 10:10 AM

#### "Chase Your Dream - Persistence Will Prevail"

Dr. Eduardo MezaPrieto

Room: G411

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### Concurrent Sessions: "Can Dentists even do that?" Series

#### 10:20 - 11:00 AM

#### Forensic Odontology

Dr. Lindsay Spears

Room: G411

#### Trigger Point Injections, OSA & Orofacial Pain

Dr. Aurelio Alonso

Dr. Daniela Vivaldi

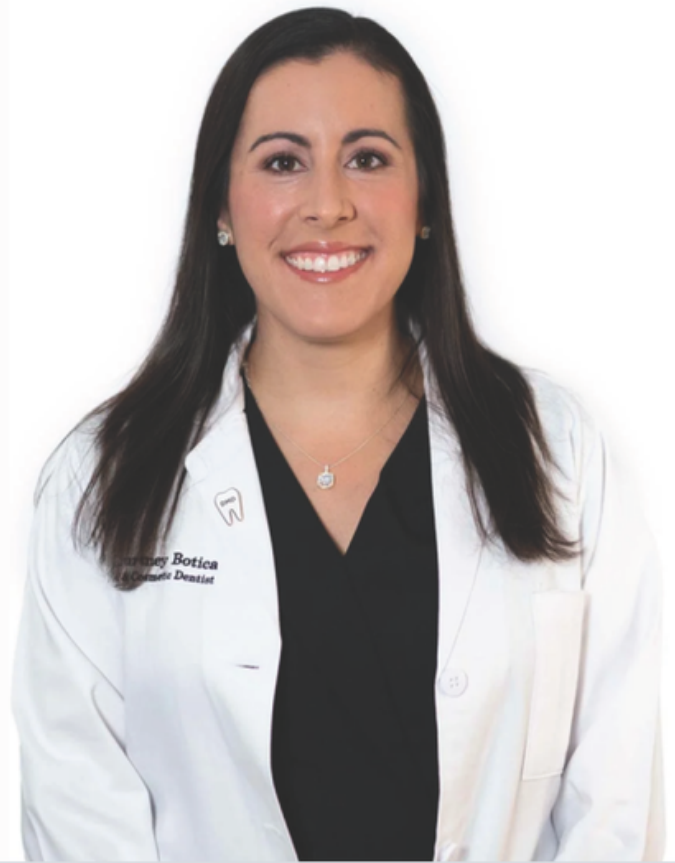
Room: G405

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## Concurrent Educational Sessions:

**11:10 - 11:50 AM**

### Financing tu Vida

Alex Maldonado & Stephen  
C. Brody  
Maldonado Financial  
**Room: G411**

### Panel Discussion: "Life After Dental School as a Latinx Doctor"

Dr. Cinthia Funes, Dr. Jessica  
Sanchez & Dr. Daniel Gonzales

**Room: G405**

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**12:00 - 2:00 PM Lunch & Learn**

Location: Atrium

### Creating Awareness in Academic Dentistry

Dr. Rosa Chaviano Moran &  
Dr. Herminio L. Perez

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**2:10 - 3:00 PM Residency Panel**

Dr. Bryan Caraballo Perez (OMFS)  
Dr. Gabriel Perez (Peds)  
Dr. Natalia Acosta-Farhadi (Perio)  
Dr. Stephanie Wangerin (AEGD)

**12:00 - 2:30PM Scheduled Headshots**

Location: Deans Suite

**By Sign Up - during registration**

**1:00 - 3:00PM HDAF Faculty  
Development Session (For  
Faculty Advisors Only)**

**Room: G508**

- HDA / HDAF History
- HSDA Faculty Advisor Roles
- Engaging the post COVID student groups
- Understanding Generational Differences
- Mentoring
- HDA / HDAF Support



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**Location: Kirkland**

**3:15 - 3:35PM**

**Nuestros Niños Award Ceremony**

Presented by: Marti Santizo, RDH

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**3:40 - 4:40PM**

**HDAF Scholarship Awards Ceremony**

Presented by: Dr. Sarita Arteaga, HDAF President



**4:45 - 5:05PM**

**Orgullo Awards Ceremony**

Presented by: TBD

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**5:05 - 5:15PM**

**Closing Remarks**

Sylvette Ramos-Diaz, D4 UNC ASoD, HDA Student Trustee  
Angeliz Rivera-Concepcion, D3, UNC ASoD, HSDA President

**6:00 - 9:00 PM**

**Closing Reception**

Still Life Night Club, Chapel Hill

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