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**American Dental Association Foundation Announces  
Hiring of Executive Director**

**CHICAGO, October 12, 2017** — The American Dental Association (ADA) Foundation Board of Directors announced today the hiring of Nick M. Falco, CFRE, CAE, as the Foundation's new executive director. The ADA Foundation, the charitable arm of the American Dental Association, secures contributions and provides grants and awards to advance the public's oral health, expand access to care, drives game-changing oral health research, and provides assistance for dentists and their families in need.

"The opportunity to serve an organization that makes such a difference in the lives of others is an honor," Mr. Falco said. "I am thrilled to be a part of the ADA Foundation team and cannot wait to get started."

Mr. Falco comes to the ADA Foundation with more than three decades of nonprofit leadership experience. He most recently served as the chief financial and business executive of the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. From 1995 through 2010, Mr. Falco was the executive director of the Million Dollar Round Table Foundation. Mr. Falco earned a master's degree in nonprofit management and development from St. Mary's University in Winona, Minnesota, and a bachelor's degree from Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Illinois.

"Mr. Falco has a strong background in board development, organizational growth, strategic planning, finance, fundraising, and building key relationships with diverse audiences,"

said ADA Foundation president Bill Calnon, D.D.S. “We are confident Mr. Falco will provide the ADA Foundation with remarkable guidance and success.”

***Editor’s Note: Reporters are invited to follow the ADA on Twitter [@AmerDentalAssn](#)***

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**About the ADA Foundation**

As dentistry's premier philanthropic and charitable organization, the ADA Foundation is a catalyst for uniting people and organizations to invest in better oral health for all, together. The ADA Foundation annually provides more than \$2 million in grants, scholarships, awards, and facilitated in-kind product donations to programs that are in alignment with the organization’s efforts to advance oral health, expand access to dental care, and drive game-changing research. As part of these efforts, the ADA Foundation oversees the Give Kids A Smile® program and also oversees the ADA Foundation Volpe Research Center in Gaithersburg, Maryland (formerly the Paffenbarger Research Center). For more information about the ADA Foundation, visit [www.adafoundation.org](http://www.adafoundation.org).