

STRATEGIC PLAN 2018-2021

Background

eviDent seeks to enhance the clinical outcomes of dental practice and improve patient care by providing the means for dental practice based research and a platform for dissemination of evidence based clinical knowledge.

eviDent is generously supported by the Australian Dental Association Victorian Branch Inc and the Oral Health Cooperative Research Centre (located at the Melbourne Dental School), who are committed to the pursuit of better community oral health.

This strategic plan seeks to build on achievements to date and define our goals and objectives, as well as outline our key actions over the next four years.

To achieve our vision, our plan is built on four strategic goals:

1. Continuous improvement
2. Communication
3. Sustainability
4. Excellence.

We look forward to implementing the following strategy, which will be overseen by the eviDent Foundation Board.

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Vision	Facilitating dental practice based research for better oral health			
Mission	Improve the oral and dental health of Australians.			
Strategic Goals	Continuous Improvement: Realise the potential of eviDent	Communication: Strengthen the eviDent team	Sustainability: Enhance community and stakeholder support	Excellence: Facilitate excellent research education, development and training
Objectives	Grow the research network in a sustainable manner	Maintain a network of practitioners and academics that facilitates learning, encourages self reflection and accelerates change	Achieve financial sustainability	Pursue highest level standards in research, practice, governance and operations
	Improve care coordination	Disseminate information to educate current and future dental care providers and the wider community	Nurture relationships with stakeholders to improve oral health care	Provide oral health care innovation
	Facilitate research in practices and support practitioners involved in research	Establish infrastructure to facilitate continuing project dialogue	Ensure Board and committee membership reflects the partnerships between practitioners and academics, as well as general membership in the network and the profession at large	Improve oral health outcomes for the community
	Develop leaders and foster leadership opportunities	Plan for additional administrative support	Raise the profile of the network	Improve the uptake of evidence into clinical practice

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Values	Education Expand the evidence base for oral health care by increasing the capacity to conduct practice relevant research	Collaboration Foster cooperation and interdependence between oral health care providers, research partners and stakeholders	Service Draw on the clinical expertise of our members to contribute to the community by improving oral health and encouraging changes to health policy and patient care	Integrity Conduct high quality research ensuring respect for participants and confidentiality of data
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Our logo

The eviDent logo reflects the unique opportunity with a dental practitioner's mouth mirror examining the mouths of so many patients each year. The collegiate and unified approach to data collection and analysis from multiple practices to combine and produce evidence based research findings presents a powerful tool to support and encourage reflective practice and improve oral health and dental practice for patients and the practitioners who treat them.