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## The Nation's Network

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Exciting things are happening in The Network. Stay updated and in the know by emailing your Regional Coordinator your updated information.

There's still time to take the Quick Poll on [Developmental defects of enamel!](#)

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## Network News

### Network Webinar Series Returns in 2019!

We're pleased to announce the Network webinars series is returning in 2019. We hope you can join us!

The Network will be hosting webinars in January and February 2019 discussing hot topics and Network study results about successful crowns and root canal treatment.

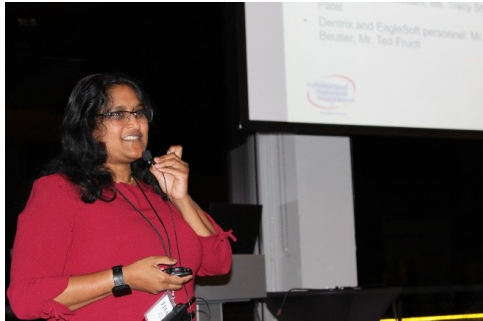
At our January 29th webinar, Making Crowns in America: Best Practices for Success, you'll learn how to avoid the problem of getting crowns back from the lab that don't fit well. Michael McCracken, DDS, PhD, a professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Dentistry, will discuss techniques dentists are using to make crowns, and what leads to successful outcomes. Dr.



McCracken will present findings from his study, Impression Techniques Used for Single-Unit Crowns: Findings from the National Dental PBRN, published in the Journal of Prosthodontics. The study was featured in the Network November newsletter. [Read more...](#)

### 2018 Northeast Annual Meeting of Practitioners

National Dental Practice-Based Research Network members from the Northeast Region met at the Strathallan Hotel and Spa in Rochester, New York, for the 2018 Northeast Annual Meeting of Practitioners on September 20-21. More than 100 registered attendees from across the Network included members from: Alabama, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Florida, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island. [Read more...](#)



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## Western Annual Regional Meeting

The Western Region held its 2018 annual practitioner meeting on October 5-6, in Portland, Oregon.

A Friday evening reception and poster-viewing session was followed by a Saturday program that was headlined by Dr. Alan Law's keynote presentation "PREDICT study: What have we learned?" A video of the presentation is available on the Network YouTube Channel here: <https://bit.ly/2SpwGT7>.



Fifty-six network members and guests reported high levels of interest in the meeting content; they expected the clinical data and peer discussions would have important impacts on their clinical practice. [Read more...](#)

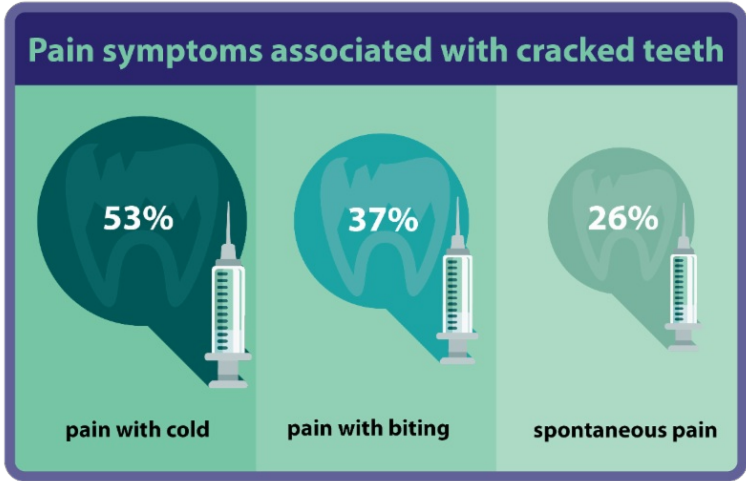
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## Article of Interest

### External Cracks Should Tip You Off to Internal Cracks

A study in the October 2018 Journal of the American Dental Association found almost 9 out of 10 treated teeth that had at least one visible external crack also had at least one internal crack. Also unexpected was that nearly half of these teeth had more than one internal crack, the authors wrote.

The study included data from 150 dentists from across the Network regions, who treated 435 teeth that had external cracks. The authors defined an external crack as an obvious break of the external contiguous structure of the tooth without loss of tooth structure (for example, lost cusp). Teeth could be symptomatic or asymptomatic. [Read more...](#)



## Quick Poll Results

### Quick Poll Results: Dentists' and Hygienists' Job Satisfaction

Dentists are fairly satisfied with their work, our December 2018 Quick Poll showed, but many experience burnout. Among the 620 respondents, including 76 hygienists, 81 percent were either satisfied or very satisfied with their job. Only 6 percent of respondents were dissatisfied and 1 percent were very dissatisfied. Dentists in academic settings had greater job satisfaction than others. [Read more...](#)



## Member Highlight

### December Network Member of the Month: Walt Manning

This month we would like to highlight Dr. Walt Manning, a general dentist in Albany, Oregon. Walt has been a member of the Network since its inception and was an Executive Committee member representing the Western region. [Read more...](#)



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## News from AADR

### Call for Abstracts: IADR/AADR/CADR General Session <http://www.iadr.org/2019iags>

Save the date and [submit your abstract](#) for the 97th General Session of the IADR, which will be held in conjunction with the 48th Annual Meeting of the AADR and the 43rd Annual Meeting of the CADR, from June 19-22, 2019 in Vancouver, BC, Canada. January 14, 2019 is the abstract submission. [Read more...](#)