

Australian Dental Council Director recognised in 2022 Australia Day Honours List

Melbourne, Victoria, 27 January 2022: The Australian Dental Council (ADC) congratulates Director, Associate Professor Deborah Cockrell, who was awarded a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the General Division in the 2022 Australia Day Honours List.

Deborah received the honour in recognition of her significant service to dentistry, to professional organisations, and to education.

She is a current Board Director and the current Chair of the ADC's Accreditation Committee. Deborah served as Chair of the ADC Board of Directors between 2018 and 2020. She is also an active contributor of the People and Culture Committee and works as an assessor.

Outside of her work with the ADC, Deborah is a practising oral surgeon on the NSW Central Coast. She served on the Australian Dental Association (ADA) NSW Council between 2001 to 2016 and was Branch President from 2013 to 2015. With a background in academia, Deborah has extensive experience in teaching at undergraduate and post graduate levels. She has also worked on the development and implementation of a range of educational programs.

This award showcases Deborah's passion and drive for the long-term success of the Australian dental professions. She has long been an advocate of the work of the ADC, both in program accreditation and in the assessment of overseas qualified dental practitioners.

The ADC, including its Directors, Members, and staff, would like to extend its sincere congratulations to Deborah on this significant achievement.

The ADC acknowledges all other healthcare professionals recognised in the 2022 Australia Day Honours List. For more information, and the full list of 2022 recipients, please visit gg.gov.au/australia-day-2022-honours-list

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About the Australian Dental Council

Formed in 1993, the Australian Dental Council (ADC) is an independent organisation appointed by the Dental Board of Australia (DBA) to conduct assessment and accreditation functions for the dental profession under the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (NRAS).

The ADC is an independent not-for-profit company limited by guarantee under the Australian Securities and Investments Commission. It holds charity status under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission and is funded by a grant from the DBA and fee for service activities.

The Council recognises the value of a diverse and skilled workforce and is committed to creating and maintaining a diverse and inclusive culture, which draws on the backgrounds, experiences and perspectives of its people to enhance its decision making.

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