

## **MANITOBA**

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### **Future Meeting Dates:**

- The 2023 Canadian Association of Orthodontists (CAO) meeting will be held at the Walt Disney World Resort in Florida on September 27-30.

### **Recent Activities:**

- Due to the ongoing need for orthodontic assistants in Manitoba, the University of Manitoba, in partnership with the College of Dental Hygienists, is in the process of preparing a refresher orthodontic course for dental hygienists to bring updated information regarding daily orthodontic clinical practice.
- The government of Manitoba has approved that effective with our graduates of 2024, our degree is now officially named an M.Dent (Masters of Dentistry and no longer a Masters of Science or MSc) in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics.
- Two new orthodontic residents started their orthodontic program last July: one is from Winnipeg (MB), and the other is from Saskatoon (SK).
- The College of Dentistry has started a new process for internationally trained specialists who do not have the CDAC/CODA-accredited training credentials and do not have the NDSE/RCDC examination pass credentials. It is a full-time fellowship that replaces the old DSATP/GAP program. The Graduate Orthodontic program plans to take in one Fellow in July 2024 to join the 2024 resident intake. The fellowship will include a teaching component with an assignment of new clinical cases and transfers from existing residents. Successful completion of this program will allow the Fellow to challenge the RCDC exams.
- The Department of Orthodontics at the University of Manitoba is currently finalizing the search process to fill the vacant tenure-track position following the resignation of one tenured associate professor. Hopefully, the expectation is to fill the position by January 01, 2024.

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