



Dear Member,

I hope this message finds you well as we move through the final weeks of winter and begin to look ahead to the longer, brighter days of spring.

The GLAO remains actively engaged in advocating for our members, working closely with the AAO and our constituent organizations. Ongoing efforts in Ohio, Michigan, and Ontario continue to address important issues facing our profession, including student debt solutions, specialty advertising, workforce challenges, and promoting transparency in dental care. Your support makes this work possible, and we are grateful for your continued engagement.

This January, the GLAO was proud to support our emerging leaders with ten GLAO members participating in the Leadership Development Conference in Phoenix. It was truly inspiring to connect with the future leaders of orthodontics and to see the passion and dedication they bring to our profession. Thank you to those who took valuable time away from their practices to participate and represent the GLAO.

Looking ahead, we are especially excited to invite you to the GLAO Annual Session, which will be held in Columbus, Ohio, on October 23–24, 2026. This meeting will mark the centenary of our organization, a milestone worth celebrating. With a forward-looking program, confirmed speakers including Drs. Audrey Yoon, Farah Kar, Lucia Cevidanes and Anthony Mair, as well as several outstanding orthodontic consultants, this meeting promises engaging and meaningful content for doctors and their teams alike. Registration will open later this year, and we hope you will plan to join us for this special occasion.

Thank you for your continued support of the GLAO and for being part of such a strong and dedicated community. Together, we are shaping the future of our profession.

Warm regards,  
Mariela Anderson