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Q6

Describe one member engagement and value event or chapter member benefit program aimed at increasing member engagement and value. (250 word limit. Responses longer than 250 words will be cut.)

Touro College of Dental Medicine ASDA's member engagement stands out through creating innovative events and programs that foster a sense of community and enhance the value among dental students. One outstanding chapter event that showcased the organization's dedication to member engagement was Touro ASDA's 2023 Fever Week. This week of events was organized by Touro ASDA in collaboration with the many different clubs and organizations at TCDM, drawing a diverse crowd of eager and excited dental students with a desire to explore extracurricular opportunities available at TCDM. This year, Fever week's theme was "learning more about the opportunities and organizations of organized dentistry." Throughout the week, members gained valuable insights into ASDA's role in organized dentistry, learning about the advocacy efforts and resources available to dental students. The event effectively communicated how ASDA serves as a powerful platform representing dental students' voices on various issues. Attendees also discovered the many benefits of being an ASDA member, from networking opportunities to accessing educational resources. Moreover, the event showcased the collaborative spirit within ASDA, inspiring members to actively engage in the organization and contribute to its mission. This well-executed week not only increased awareness about ASDA but also ignited a sense of pride and belonging among attendees, driving them to actively participate and contribute to the organization's initiatives. The success of ASDA Fever Week exemplifies the chapter's innovative approach to member engagement.

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Describe one chapter community service event that creates connections with our communities. (250 word limit. Responses longer than 250 words will be cut.)

Touro College of Dental Medicine ASDA's commitment to community service is best exemplified by the outstanding event, the Annual Give Kids a Smile Day. This event goes beyond traditional dental outreach by fostering meaningful connections with the community. Targeted towards underserved populations, this year Give Kids a Smile Day benefited over 300 local second grade children who face barriers to accessing oral healthcare. The impact on the organization is profound, showcasing ASDA's dedication to social responsibility and community engagement. ASDA participants contributed to oral health education, screenings, and preventive measures during the event, gaining valuable hands-on experience and a deeper understanding of the community's oral health needs. The success of Give Kids a Smile Day is due to its complete incorporation of oral health awareness into broader health initiatives. By collaborating with local healthcare providers, social services, and educational institutions, Touro ASDA ensured a comprehensive and impactful outreach. The event's success is further attributed to the enthusiastic involvement of ASDA members, fostering a sense of pride and unity within the organization. Give Kids a Smile Day not only addressed immediate oral health concerns but also created lasting connections, emphasizing ASDA's role as a community partner and advocate for accessible dental care. Since then, we are proud that we have continued GKAS outreach programs, including Give Kids a Smile events in Long island, educating over 150 kindergarten students and over 230 elementary students at Tarrytown. We look forward to expanding the number and quality of GKAS outreach events in the future.

Q8

Describe one chapter advocacy event that educates and involves members in ASDA's advocacy and legislative priorities. (250 word limit. Responses longer than 250 words will be cut.)

The General Interest Meeting at the onset of the academic year emerged as a standout chapter advocacy event for ASDA, educating and engaging over 120 D1 students at Touro College of Dental Medicine. This event served to communicate ASDA's legislative priorities and advocacy initiatives to the dental community. The meeting combined useful information with interactive elements, and a dynamic slideshow presentation that illuminated ASDA's identity, membership benefits, and its crucial role as an advocate for dental students. The comprehensive overview provided attendees with an insightful understanding of ASDA's mission and the importance of collective advocacy. The success of this advocacy event is highlighted by the substantial turnout and the obvious enthusiasm of the participants. The diverse group of over 120 students demonstrated a strong interest in learning about ASDA, highlighting the event's effectiveness in sparking curiosity and engagement. By spreading crucial information at the beginning of the academic year, ASDA ensured that a large segment of the dental student body was well-informed and aligned with the organization's advocacy goals, setting a positive tone for sustained involvement throughout the academic year. This approach not only encouraged ASDA's advocacy initiatives but also encouraged a sense of community among dental students at TCDM.

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Describe one chapter wellness event that educates members and involves members in ASDA's Five Dimensions of Wellness. (250 word limit. Responses longer than 250 words will be cut.)

One outstanding chapter wellness event that exemplifies ASDA's commitment to health and well-being was the "ASDA District 2 Sweater Weather Hike" hosted by the Touro College of Dental Medicine ASDA chapter. The event was advertised to and attended by dental students from the ASDA District 2 Dental School including Columbia University and NYU. This event, centered around physical and environmental wellness, bringing together participants from various dental schools to engage in a wellness-focused activity. The hike, set against the picturesque backdrop of Rockefeller State Park, drew participation from a diverse group of dental students, fostering camaraderie and collaboration among future oral health professionals. The participants, immersed in the natural beauty of the park, benefited not only from the physical exercise but also from the opportunity to unwind and connect with peers across different dental institutions. Additionally, the "ASDA District 2 Sweater Weather Hike" emphasized physical and environmental wellness, by highlighting the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle and fostering well-being outside the academic environment. The event's success was clear from the positive impact on the participants' emotional wellness, as it provided a refreshing recess from the rigors of dental school and facilitated a sense of community amongst dental students. The success of this wellness event was measured not only in the number of participants, but in the lasting connections made, the positive impact on participants' well-being, and the alignment with ASDA's health and wellness initiative.

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Describe one chapter communication (such as an enewsletter, the chapter website, or chapter social media campaign) that keeps members informed about ASDA. (250 word limit. Responses longer than 250 words will be cut.)

The Touro College of Dental Medicine ASDA chapter social media communication regarding the Give Kids a Smile event stands out as an excellent instance of keeping members informed about ASDA's impactful initiatives. The Instagram post on our Touro College of Dental Medicine's ASDA social media page showcasing images from the event was particularly successful, gaining significant likes and significant engagement. This success is indicative of the post's effectiveness in capturing attention and resonating with our audience. The use of compelling visuals from the Give Kids a Smile event expressed the spirit of the event and its positive impact. The high number of likes in comparison to other posts suggests that members not only appreciated the event, but also actively engaged with the content, indicating a strong connection to the ASDA mission. This successful chapter social media post, not only informed members about the Give Kids a Smile event but also fostered a sense of pride and communication with Touro ASDA. Moving forward, leveraging similar strategies, such as visually compelling content and event highlights, can contribute to sustained member involvement and a deeper connection to ASDA's initiatives.

Q11

Describe one chapter event that develops professional and leadership skills of chapter members. (250 word limit. Responses longer than 250 words will be cut.)

The Ninth District Association's "Ask Me Anything" Panel, hosted by the Touro College of Dental Medicine ASDA chapter, demonstrated a commitment to developing professional and leadership skills among attendees. With over 100 student participants and Ninth District dentists who represented each and every of the dental specialties, the event's reach was extensive, fostering an inclusive environment for learning and networking. The event's unique format, structured as a social with specialists available for one-on-one and group conversations, facilitated personalized interactions. This approach not only allowed students to delve into specific topics of interest but also encouraged the development of communication and networking skills crucial for future professional efforts. The event offered various insights into the dental field, enhancing attendees' understanding of potential career paths. The longevity of the event, with representatives from each specialty, provided a comprehensive overview and valuable connections for attendees. Through this event, Touro ASDA plays a pivotal role in contributing to the future success of its members. Attendees gained critical knowledge about ASDA's and the local, state and national American Dental Association role in supporting dental professionals and obtained firsthand insights into various specialties. This experience not only broadened the attendees' perspectives, but also equip them with the information needed to make informed decisions about their future professional journeys. The "Ask Me Anything" Social and Networking Event stands as a testament to Touro's commitment to nurturing well-rounded, informed, and empowered dental professionals.

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Submit your chapter's YouTube video link.

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Submit your chapter's Google Drive or DropBox video link.

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