

## **Public Health Dental Hygienist Status Report**

The Public Health Dental Hygienist (PHDH) legislation was passed into law on July 29, 2016.

The next phase of the process is rule-making. Rule-making is used by state agencies, such as the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations, to create or promulgate regulations.

Early on, a group of IDHA committee and executive council members met with IDFPR and shared our thoughts concerning the appropriate education for a PHDH.

IDHA has contacted both the Secretary of IDFPR and the Governor's office for an update on the process.

As of June 1, 2018 the PHDH curriculum is still in the rule-making process with IDFPR.

We will continue to monitor the process and keep you informed of the progress.