

## **DENTPIN - Why You Need One**

A **DENTPIN**<sup>®</sup> (**DENT**al **P**ersonal **I**dentifier **N**umber) is a unique personal identifier for professionals and students involved with the U.S. dental education system and standardized testing programs. If you tested or applied to test, a DENTPIN has been assigned to you and you can retrieve it by going to <https://www.ada.org/en/education-careers/dentpin>

You must retrieve or register for a **DENTPIN**<sup>®</sup> and use it to apply to a dental education program or application service, apply to test, or request a score report.

The name on your identification card (ID) must match exactly with the name in your **DENTPIN**<sup>®</sup> record. If the name in your DENTPIN record and the name on your ID does not match exactly, you will be denied admission to testing and will forfeit your testing appointment and fee. You will be required to submit a new application and fee.

The following programs use the **DENTPIN**<sup>®</sup> to identify professionals and students for the confidential and secure reporting, transmission, and tracking of test scores and testing data:

- Dental Admission Test (DAT)
- National Board Dental Examination (NBDE) Part I/Part II
- National Board Dental Hygiene Examination (NBDHE)
- Advanced Dental Admission Test (ADAT)
- American Dental Education Association (ADEA)
- Associated American Dental Schools Application Services (AADSAS)
- Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS)
- ADEA Postdoctoral Application Support Service (PASS)
- ADEA Centralized Application for Advanced Placement for International Dentists (CAAPID)
- Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program (Match)