### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (GENERAL):

- All members of councils (and commissions) must be active, life or retired members in good standing of the American Dental Association.
- Council/commission members may not concurrently serve as a member of another ADA council or commission.
- An individual may not serve more than one term on the same council or commission, except as otherwise provided in the *Governance Manual*.
- Council members cannot be in the full-time employ of the federal government and consideration shall be given to a candidate’s experience in the military or other federal dental service. Individuals called to active duty from the military reserves or National Guard forces, providing such active duty has not been requested by the individual, is not considered to be in the full-time employ of the federal government.

### SELECTION CRITERIA (Top 4 desired characteristics and credentials for nominees):

- A strong background in the legislative process;
- Experience on constituent society legislative committees;
- A knowledge of Association policies and the ability to apply those policies to existing legislation; and
- A knowledge of the political process, ADPAC and relationships with members of Congress.

### TIME COMMITMENT:

- Members must be willing to attend two Council meetings annually, each two and a half days, and be available for intermittent conference calls at the request of the chair, and be responsive to email.