

## **GETTING INVOLVED**WITH CDS

There are many opportunities to expand your CDS membership. Getting involved is a great way to boost your network, enhance your professional and clinical development and open doors to new opportunities. With so many options, we want to highlight specific opportunities to consider.





## **Branch Involvement and Leadership**

If you're interested in getting involved, the best place to start is through your local branch. Each CDS branch has different options, so reach out to the officers in your branch to see what's available in:

- Event Planning
- CE Programming
- Membership Recruitment and Retention
- Mediation and Peer Review Committees
- Midwinter Meeting Committee Volunteers

Each branch has its own director, officers and committees to handle its affairs. If you are interested in serving, talk to your current board officers for details.

## CDS Leadership and the Coalition

After serving in branch leadership positions, members may advance to a CDS board position. CDS has three leadership development groups that decide on officers for its Board of Directors. The three groups are: the Members Group, the Independent Organization and the Progressive Club. These groups form what is called the Coalition.

A CDS member is not required to be a member of any leadership development group to hold branch office or to be active within the society.