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**THE SOLUTIONS**

**CUSTOMER**
ADEA includes more than 20,000 predoctoral, allied and advanced dental faculty members.

**STRATEGY**
AAL designed and directs a professional development program pipeline including the ADEA Leadership Institute.

**GOALS**
To reimagine the association's talent development offerings and improve global leadership amongst dental leaders.

**RESULTS**
Nearly one-third of the nation’s dental deans are graduates of these programs.
RESULT AND INSIGHTS

LIFELONG LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FOR MEMBERS

AAL experts designed a program pipeline to support ADEA members, from early career faculty to senior administrators, which includes:

The **ADEA Emerging Leaders Program**: designed to provide early-career faculty showing great promise as potential leaders the guidance, insight and skills needed to build an academic career.

The **ADEA Leadership Institute**: a year-long program designed to develop the nation’s most promising individuals at academic dental institutions to become leaders in dental and higher education.

The **ADEA Leadership Institute Phase V**: designed to invigorate leadership development, stretch thinking, push potential and rejuvenate the networks and relationships that are hallmark of the ADEA Leadership Institute.

SOLUTION

ADEA programs have graduated over 400 individuals from predoctoral, allied and advanced dental education programs. Nearly one-third of the nation’s dental deans are graduates of the Institute. AAL continues to oversee and facilitate Emerging Leaders, Phase V, and the Leadership Institute, which itself has been replicated by other associations because of its exemplary outcomes.

“Participating in the ADEA Leadership Institute was a life-changing experience. The knowledge I gained from my advisor, mentors and my co-Fellows has been invaluable. The other Leadership Institute Fellows and I exchanged ideas, sharpened our problem-solving skills, developed new competencies and expanded our conflict resolution and negotiation skills. Going to Capitol Hill and advocating for important dental public health and dental education issues was exhilarating. I met one-on-one with my senator and congressman, set up a meeting between the congressman and my dean and arranged a dental school tour. The Leadership Institute also provided great guidance with career planning. I am grateful for this rewarding experience.”

Dr. Melanie E. Mayberry
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