



## 会長を終えて

(一社) 国際歯科学士会日本部会 前会長

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2014年、東京で開催されました国際歯科学士会日本部会の総会におきまして第28代日本部会の会長に選任され、そして就任してから二年間の任期が2016年5月の総会で終わりました。

本会の創始者であるDr. Louis Ottofyと奥村鶴吉先生が世界各地の歯科事情を知り、各地との交流、親睦そして理解を深めようという目的の為に立ち上げた本会は間もなく、創立100周年の節目を迎えます。

奥村鶴吉先生を始めとした偉大な歯科医師の先達により発展してきた日本部会は、戦後の混乱期を乗り切り、現代歯科医学発展の先駆者ともいべき錚々たる歯科医師が会員となり、1957年、福島秀策先生を初代会長として20名の会員で発足した、と1998年5月に発行された「国際歯科学士会の概要」に記されています。

以来、会員数の増減はあるものの、平成28年の今日まで、日本の歯科界の中で、特異な一つの学術団体としての歴史を綴ってまいりました。

私の在任中の大きな責務は会の発展の為に会員数の維持と増加、および日本の歯科界の中における日本部会の位置付けと考え、会を執行してまいりました。本会は今一つ歯科界のなかで認知度の低い学術団体であると常々考えておりました。確かに、名簿を開きますと、かなりの著名な歯科医師の名前を見ることが出来ますが、その内容に比して、一般歯科医師でこの会の存在を知りうる機会はあまり無いように感じておりました。

認知度を高め、今後の歯科界を牽引していくべき人材の入会を積極的に進めるべく、会員諸氏の協力のもとに、年間事業計画を吟味し、会の内容を外部に出来るだけ多く発信し、本会の魅力をアピールして、その存在を知らしめるべく行動してまいりました。

特に、冬期学会の内容の充実におき、本会会員のみならず、出来るだけ本会以外の歯科医師へも門戸を開き、会の活動を理解してもらおうべく、いろいろな手段を講じて参加を呼びかけましたのも、意義あるものと考えました。

また、支部活動の活発化を考え、特に、関東地区での支部的活動をどのように、本会との活性化と結びつけるかを熟慮し、関東地区セミナーなるものを立ち上げスタートさせました。

会員同士の結びつきを強くし、多くの出会いの場を作り、切磋琢磨する姿勢が会の魅力を生み、新しい世代への啓蒙となり、それが会の今後の発展と認知度を上げる最大のインパクトファクターとなるのではないのでしょうか。

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## Greeting of resignation

*KIKUO KOBAYASHI*

*ICD Japan section former president*

As I look back over my years as president I feel a great deal of appreciation for the opportunity I have had to serve as the President of this great organization. At the International College of Dentists Japan Section's Annual Meeting and Induction Ceremony, which was held in Tokyo in 2014, I was elected as the 28th President of this organization. It has been past two years since that election and I went on to fulfill the term of my service at the annual meeting in May 2016.

The purpose of this establishment is based on the ideas of our founders, Dr. Louis Ottofy and Dr. Tsurukichi Okumura who gathered knowledge from dentists around the globe, building solid bonds with various countries through the ICD fellowship and deepening our mutual understanding. This organization will soon reach the milestone of its 100th anniversary, which we feel is a fantastic achievement.

The Japan Section has grown remarkably because of the accomplishments of Dr. Okumura and the other great senior doctors. After getting over the hardships of the postwar era, membership was extended by enrolling the qualified dentists of the time who would become known as pioneers in developing modern dental medicine. In 1957, Dr. Hidesaku Fukushima became the first president and formally launched the Japan Section with twenty members. This is stated in the "Outline of the International College of Dentists" published in May 1998. Ever since its establishment, the ICD Japan section has stood out as one of the original academic associations among the Dentistal Profession in Japan.

During my presidency, I made it my personal mission to administer a deeper concern to not only increase the number of memberships but to also increase the visibility of this organization amongst Japanese dentistry. This organization is a sophisticated academic association, however it is not highly recognized within our profession. While you may be able to find many prominent doctors names within our member list, there is not enough opportunity for the general population of dentists to obtain information about the ICD.

With the kind support of my fellow members, I was able to approach these issues in several ways. Firstly, I organized the year business plan, and delivered our active reports in order to appeal to outsiders. At the Winter Scientific Meeting I made a special effort to provide various content in order to have a much greater impact. Also, I invited people from both inside and outside of the organization. As a result of these alterations I appealed to a much wider and more open gathering for the purpose of gaining acknowledgement from dentists in general.

Furthermore, I started up a new seminar, The Kanto Section Seminar. It is focused primarily on activating the Kanto region and to see how the branch activities could enhance the further development of the plenary meeting. ICD Japan Section should create the opportunity for interactions and deepen the bonds with fellows, promoting a positive attitude in order to better absorb lessons from their seniors. I believe all of these movements will inspire the new generation, initiating a positive response and resulting in further progress and a higher degree of recognition of ICD Japan Section.