

Dear UW School of Dentistry Community,

We are continuing the school's strategic planning process. Here are the latest updates:

- Based on feedback from interviews and surveys, the SPOC made a rough draft of a **Mission, Vision and Values (MVV) statement**. A workgroup of staff, faculty, students, community partners, and alumni further developed it into a first draft.
- The MVV statement helped the SPOC write a **first draft of five strategic priorities for the School (below)**. These priorities represent what our community says is important to us, what we want to accomplish, and who we want to be as a School. They will serve as the framework for our plan moving forward.
- Workgroups for each priority are meeting now. Each workgroup, comprised of students, staff, faculty, and alumni, will **draft two to four SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Timely) goals** by mid-July that help the school achieve the strategic priority. They may also suggest two to four measurable objectives per goal.

What's Next?

This summer, **everyone will be invited to provide comments on the draft** of the strategic plan via hybrid feedback. Please keep an eye out for invitations via email, your supervisor, [our website](#), the Bulletin, and social media.

UW School of Dentistry Five Strategic Priorities:

1. **Committing to responsible stewardship of all resources** - This is the foundation of all our priorities. We commit to stewarding all the school's resources with integrity: our people, our reputation, our material and environmental resources, and our financial resources.
2. **Fostering a culture of belonging** - Staff, faculty, students, patients, and alumni will experience respect and appreciation for their whole selves, enhancing their belonging.
3. **Harnessing innovative technologies for the future** – The thoughtful use of technology will advance all we do, from patient care to research and education.
4. **Providing quality healthcare for all people, communities, and populations** - Our approach will encompass the Institute of Medicine's (IOM's) aims for quality healthcare: safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient, and equitable.
5. **Generating, disseminating, and preserving knowledge** - We will provide outstanding oral health education, collaborate on compelling scientific inquiries, conduct innovative and important research, and share this knowledge with the world.

We developed these priorities by distilling input gathered during focus groups, interviews and surveys completed by our community and other stakeholders earlier this year.

