

Yogi Berra said "When you come to a fork in the road – take it!"
 This fork is part of the problem of "The TMJ Dilemma."

The TMJ Family just entering TMJ World.
 Which way to go?



The Jaw Joints & Allied Musculo-Skeletal Disorders Foundation, Inc. [JJAMD]

The "TMJ" Patients

MEDICAL PROFESSION:
 Charge: Whole Body and Mind

ENT Otolaryngologists	Neurologists	Orthopedists
Rheumatologists	Internists	Psychologists
Radiologists MRI's	Primary Care MD's	Emergency Physicians

Dentistry as an arm of medicine for those dentists who do not subscribe to "TMD."

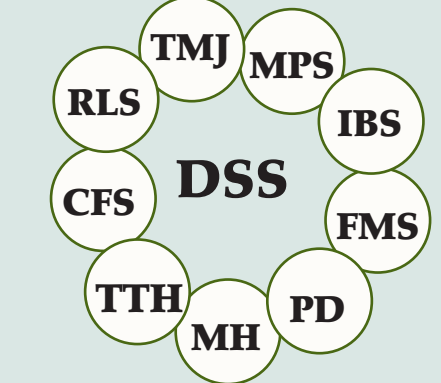
ALTERNATIVE COMPLEMENTARY, AND AUXILIARY MEDICINE

PT's	Acupuncturists	Massage Therapists
Chiropractors		Sports Medicine

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:
 NIAMS, NIH, CDC, Office of Women's Health

PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES PREVENTION – AWARENESS

OVERLAPPING DISORDERS



DYSFUNCTIONAL SPECTRUM SYNDROME [DSS]:
 A unified concept for many common disorders.

"TMJ" is the historical term used by most and is most needed. This "TMJ Road" is now least traveled by the Medical Communities, but they are urgently needed to step up to the plate and work in tandem with the Dental Communities to help resolve "The TMJ Dilemma."

The TMD'ers

The "TMD" Patients

DENTAL PROFESSION
 Charge: Oral Health

General Dentists	Oral Surgeons
Orthodontists	
Periodontists	
Prosthodontists	

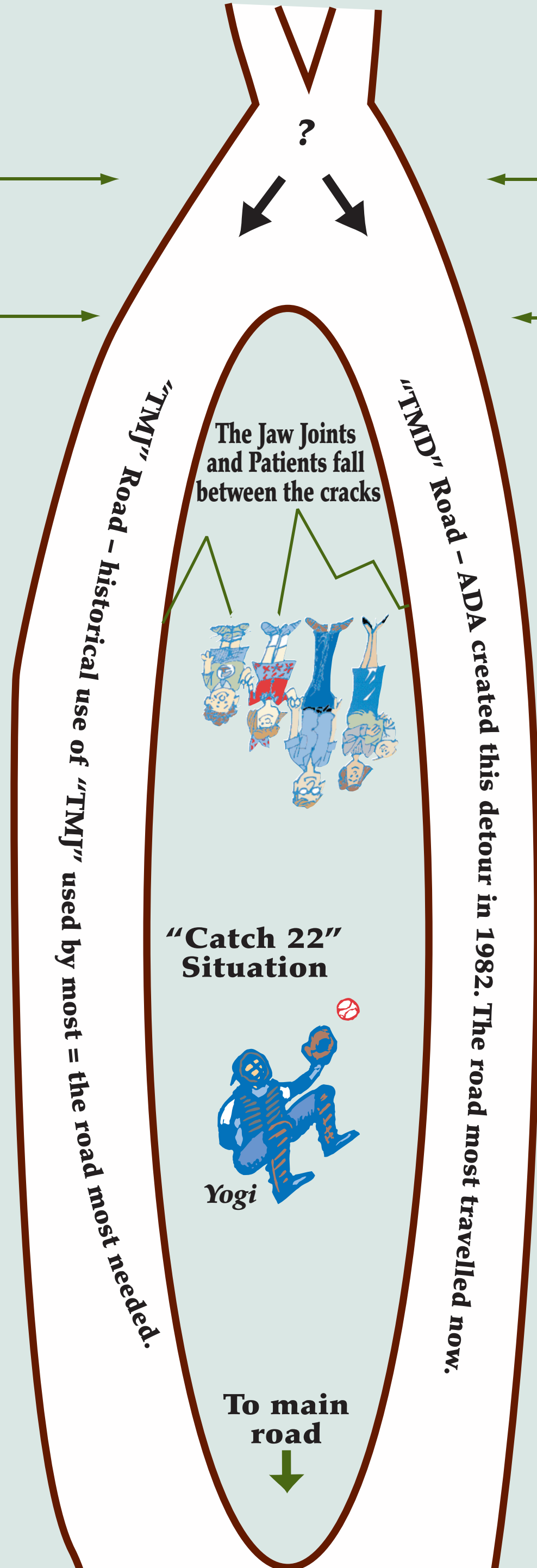
Dental/Mental Psychological Stress and Chronic Pain Model

Pain Specialists	Psychologists
Pharmaceutical Companies	
TMD Specialists	NIDCR ADA

There are those within the Dental Profession who do not subscribe to this current touted dominant theory.

Acronyms – TMJ, TMJD, TMD, CMD, MPD, and others.
Other Names Used For TMJ Disorder – Temporomandibular Disorder, Craniofacial Pain, Maxillofacial Pain, Orofacial Pain, Myofascial Pain Dysfunction and others.

This "TMD" Road was created by the ADA in 1982 and became this detour they now travel. The result is it obfuscates, manipulates, and subordinates the TMJoints. However well-intentioned, it stalls the opportunity for all those on the other road who should help resolve the "TMJ Dilemma" and to help current and future TMJ patients.



It's time to get everyone back on the same road.

A single road to resolution of the "TMJ Dilemma."

THE Jaw Joints are in play for every motor and sensory activity 24 hours a day – awake or asleep. They are the pathway from the brain to the central nervous system. JJAMD believes with appropriate awareness, education, research, and diagnosis, TMJ is largely preventable.

The TMJ Family has a better chance to be whole again.



Work together to bring appropriate awareness and a basic science to help TMJ patients, prevent others from needlessly falling victim, and lower health care costs

- Medical Profession →
- Dental Profession →
- Alternative Complementary Auxiliary Medicine →
- Public Health Prevention Organizations →
- Patient Advocacy Organizations →
- Private Health Research Agencies →
- Government Agencies →
- Medical and Dental Schools →