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Ronald Garrett, Traveling Full Circle, Becomes New Queens County Dental Society President Sets Goal of Increasing Mentoring to Support Aspiring Dentists



New QCDS President Dr. Ronald Garrett

By Marc Katz

For Ronald Garrett, who became president of the Queens County Dental Society this month, life as a dentist has taken him full circle.

The general dentist with a practice in Springfield Gardens decided to enter dentistry when he was attending Newtown High School in Corona. He began a high school internship program during his senior year, working with Dr. Hector Ruiz, who had a practice in Queens.

"I liked what I saw," he recalled recently reflecting on his career. "It was a small family practice with a doctor and an associate. The relationship with the patients was great!"

With the doctor's encouragement, he entered Queens College as a biology major. He graduated from Howard University Dental School in 1988 and started a one-year residency at Our Lady of Mercy in The Bronx, followed by a second year at Harlem Hospital.

Dr. Garrett then joined the Harlem Hospital staff, where he was attending for six years. He held similar positions at Catholic Medical Center in Queens and at Jacobi Hospital in the Bronx for the past 12 years, while maintaining his own Queens practice since 1992.

Two years ago a disabling disease struck, slowing his career. Now on the road to recovery, Dr. Garrett is ready to take on the presidency of QCDS. He has held most positions within the organization, including two years on the Peer Review Committee.

Dr. Garrett would like to see his fellow QCDS members mentor aspiring dentists, just as his interest in dentistry was fostered by a local dentist's practice. He said a goal of his tenure as QCDS president would be to encourage the organization to develop a "shadowing" program, where local students would be able to see an area dental practice in action. "I would like to see QCDS take on the mission of encouraging others to have the kind of opportunity I had," he said.

The doctor met his wife of 26 years, Claire Serant, when they were both in college. She is a former New York Daily News reporter, who now teaches English Composition at Medgar Evers College/CUNY in Brooklyn and journalism courses at Brooklyn College/CUNY. The couple has three children, Bryan, who is studying engineering at the University of Louisville, Brandon, who is entering Queens College to become a physical therapist, and Blair, who attends Adelphi University and is interested in becoming an attorney.

During his year-plus of recovery, Dr. Garrett said he has received a great deal of support from many of his patients, as well as colleagues and staff at QCDS. "That support is what gives me the strength to carry on," Dr. Garrett said. "It is good to know that so many people wanted to see me get well. That has been my support group."

Dr. Garrett said he hopes his recovery will allow him to be back to his former busy schedule shortly. "I'm very happy I went into dentistry," he said. "I love what I do and tell everyone I would do it all over again, if I had the chance."



Dr. Ronald Garrett, right, with his children Bryan, Brandon and Blair, and his wife, Claire Serant.

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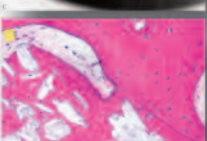
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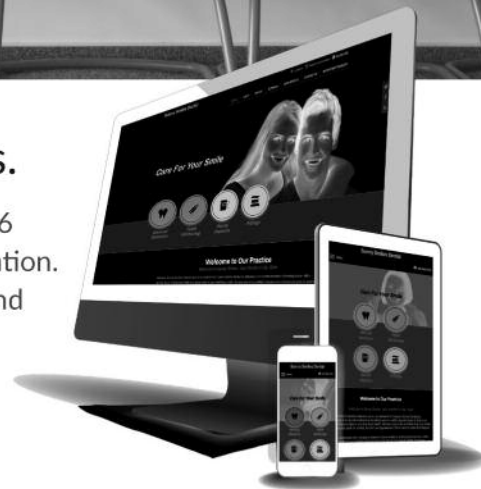
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Giving Back By Mentoring

By Dr. Ronald Garrett, D.D.S.

Greetings QCDS members:

As 2017 begins and I assume the role of QCDS president, I want to thank outgoing president Dr. Eric Huang for his leadership and our members for their continued support. Last year, I was slated to head QCDS, however I was stricken with a rare neurological condition, Guillain-Barre syndrome (also known as GBS) and it delayed my ascent. The illness left me unable to move my arms and legs for several weeks. Despite the setback, I am encouraged by the support of the QCDS Board of Trustees, especially Drs. Gehani, Koppikar, and Shetty, and our executive director, Oleg Rabinovich. Those key people encouraged me to concentrate on my health and made me realize how much we need each other during tough times. QCDS gave me support on how to keep my private practice afloat as I recovered. That is the beauty of participating in QCDS.

My introduction to dentistry began at Newtown High School in Elmhurst, Queens. As a senior, I was in a mentoring program where I worked in the Jackson Heights dental office of Dr. Hector Ruiz and Dr. Ramon Ortiz. I went to their office, which was located on the corner of Junction Boulevard and Roosevelt Avenue, everyday after school for a year. It was a two-chair operation where I worked with Dr. Ruiz's daughter, Josie, as a dental assistant. That is where I developed my love for dentistry. I enjoyed being part of a family practice. The interaction with patients combined with the interesting procedures was fascinating to an 18-year old from Springfield Gardens. I was not initially sure what to pursue as a career.

After Newtown, I attended Queens College in Flushing, where I decided to become a dentist. The challenging academic environment prepared me to chase my dream. Many professors took interest in my future and steered me in the right direction. I graduated from Queens College with a Bachelor's degree in psychology in 1984. Four years later, I earned my D.D.S. degree from Howard University in Wash-

ington, D.C. I returned home to a one-year residency at Our Lady of Mercy Hospital in the Bronx and a second year residency at Harlem Hospital in Manhattan.

Looking back, I would not be where I am today without the mentoring I received at every level. As QCDS president, I would like to promote mentoring to high school students among our members. Since 1992, I have been in private practice and have mentored high school and college students who were interested in dental careers. Most recently, I had a Stony Brook University student shadow me in my office three days a week. That student is applying to dental schools now. Another mentee, a young woman from Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn, was accepted to four dental schools. I have also worked with administrators at Hillcrest High School in Jamaica with their pre-dental program.

It does not take a lot of time or effort to mentor. It takes a willingness to look beyond yourself to see someone else's potential. If Drs. Ruiz and Ortiz had not invested their time in me, my life would be different. We never know how the little

things we do can have a large impact on others. When you mentor, you are basically telling the person that you believe they are worth the investment of your time. When patients see young mentees in your office they have a higher regard for your practice. You are not performing procedures, collecting money and going home. You are giving back to young people who might want to enter the field. Most importantly, through mentorship you show the world that you appreciate your good fortune and want to inspire others.

Wouldn't it be great to have all QCDS members pledge to have a high school student shadow activities in their practices at least once or twice a week? Imagine what impact it would have on QCDS' visibility in the borough and in the state. The old saying "A rising tide lifts all boats" is true. Let's share our experience, knowledge and time with aspiring dentists and propel them to new levels of personal and professional achievement.

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NYSDA Trustee Report



NYSDA Had a Very Successful 2016

By Prabha Krishnan, D.D.S.

The New York State Dental Association is concluding a very successful 2016 and as the year end is rapidly approaching, I wanted to give you a summary of some of the year's highlights.

The NYSDA Board of Trustees met several times this past year, most recently in October in Albany, prior to the ADA Annual Session in Denver.

Dental Demonstration Project

A highlight of the past year has certainly been the NYSDA Dental Demonstration Project, through which NYSDA and the New York State Dental Foundation work with Federally Qualified Health Centers and Article 28 facilities to provide a day of free basic dental treatment to patients not already undergoing care. Governor Cuomo, recognizing the importance of this initiative, authorized Year Two funding, through which NYSDA has been able to conduct dental demonstration projects at Brockport, the University at Buffalo and St. Charles Dental Clinic. More events are planned into the spring, and staff is working on planning for an anticipated Year Three. These events continue to promote to our public policy makers the importance of dental health to overall health. For those of you who have volunteered to provide a day of care, my thanks and I look forward to our offering the opportunity to all to get involved.

Opioids

Earlier this year, NYSDA was successful in its efforts to modify legislation, which would have required all dentists to take continuing education on pain management and opioid prescribing once every two years to once every three years, and to allow that CE to count toward MCE needed for re-licensure. The New York State Dental Foundation has developed a course to fulfill this mandate, which is awaiting final approval by the State Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement, the division of the State

Department of Health in charge with oversight of this requirement. Please be on the lookout for announcements for course availability.

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Exciting things are planned going forward, at all tripartite levels, as we join the ADA in a campaign to elevate the public's perception of oral healthcare and impress upon them the benefits of seeing an ADA/NYSDA member dentist. Included in this effort will be specially prepared social media messaging which will highlight our adherence to a code of ethics, peer review and ongoing education. Clearly, maintaining and growing membership is of primary importance to organized dentistry, so campaigns such as this are crucial, necessary investments in our survival and future. Stay tuned for updates! And be sure your office information is current on our Find a Dentist section on the NYSDA website.

Gehani for ADA President-Elect

As a nation, we may have just completed a presidential campaign season, but as a dental association we are just gearing up for what promises to be an exciting and hopefully successful campaign to elect our very own Chad Gehani as ADA President-Elect. Official announcement of this will be made at the end of the 2017 ADA Annual Session in Atlanta, but in the meantime volunteers within our delegation will begin the work of paving Chad's way to victory. Dr. G. Kirk Gleason, a seasoned campaigner himself, has been chosen to spearhead the campaign.

Looking Forward

As we enter a new year, we can look forward to new opportunities and a few challenges. On our legislative to do list is initiating a Curriculum Integrated Format (CIF) examination, plus one year of a qualifying residency, as a new route to licensure in addition to the current route of full completion of a qualified residency program. Also on that list: the introduction of legislation to allow dentists to perform Botox procedures without restricting such to "maintaining and restoring dental health."

In closing, I would like to thank each and every one of you, my constituents, for your support and for your commitment to being an informed member of the New York State Dental Association. It is truly an honor to represent you and our great profession. Please feel free to call me at any time with any questions you may have.

Wishing you all a very, very happy 2017.

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Sen. Martins Names 92-Year Old QCDS Member Dr. Licht to the State's Veterans' Hall of Fame

New York State Senator Jack M. Martins recently inducted 92-year old World War II veteran Dr. Lewis Licht into the New York State Senate's Veterans' Hall of Fame. Dr. Licht, a founding member of the Queens County Dental Society, was named to the Hall of Fame by Senator Martins.

"Like so many of the 'Greatest Generation,' Lewis Licht answered the call to defend our country in World War II," Senator Martins said. "He bravely risked his life in the skies over the Pacific to defeat the forces of tyranny. Dr. Licht is a true American hero whose courage, patriotism and service is something that deserves to be celebrated and admired. Congratulations to him on earning this well-deserved honor."

Corporal Licht was born and raised in New York City and graduated from the prestigious Bronx High School of Science. He joined the Marine Corps in February 1943 and was assigned to the VMB-611 squadron, one of seven Marine Corps squadrons flying B-25 bombing missions in the Pacific Theatre. He flew 27 combat sorties as a radio-gunner, providing air support to Allied ground troops fighting the Japanese forces in the Philippines, including the Eighth US Army's inva-



Senator Martins, second from left, congratulates Dr. Lewis Licht, third from left, on his induction into the New York State Senate's Veterans' Hall of Fame. They are joined by members of Dr. Licht's family.

sion against enemy bases at Mindanao and Borneo.

For his brave and devoted service, Corporal Licht earned the Distinguished Flying Cross; the Air Medal with three gold service stars; the Navy Unit Commendation Medal; the American Campaign Medal; the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with two bronze service stars; the World War II Victory Medal; the Philippine Presidential Unit Citation; the Philippine Liberation Medal with one bronze service star; the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross with four silver devices; and the New York State Conspicuous Service Star.

After his military discharge, Dr. Licht received his Bachelor's degree Phi Beta Kappa from New York University and his doctorate from New York University Dental School. He had a successful dental practice in Flushing for 60 years before retiring three years ago at the age of 89. Dr. Licht has been a member of the tripartite for 64 years.

Dr. Licht has resided in Roslyn Heights since 1956 and is a member of American Legion Post 144 in Williston Park. He and his wife, Barbara, were married for 51 years and raised two daughters, Lisbeth and Carolyn. He is also the proud grandfather of two granddaughters, Lindsay and Chelsea.

Dr. Shpuntoff Joins Concerned Professionals Board



Dr. Robert L. Shpuntoff

After 16 years of uninterrupted volunteer service to the Coalition of Concerned Medical Professionals Non-Emergency Dental Benefit, Queens County Dental Society member Dr. Robert L. Shpuntoff has joined its Board of Directors. Dr. Shpuntoff is an orthodontist in private practice in Little Neck. He was originally introduced to CCMP in 2000 by a colleague, the late Dr. Herb Freedner, who was also a general practice dentist in Queens and volunteered for several years with CCMP.

Dr. Shpuntoff's first benefit case with CCMP became one

of the great success stories of their benefit program. Through a long-term treatment plan, Dr. Shpuntoff was able to transform a young boy's mouth, and that boy became an articulate, award winning scholarship student.

In the years that followed, Dr. Shpuntoff treated both children and adults as a volunteer with CCMP. His contributions to CCMP's growth have not been limited to his professional skills. He has introduced his peers to CCMP, hosting CCMP speakers at QCDS and has arranged for donations of computer equipment for CCMP. In 2014, he introduced his wife Yira Ramirez-Shpuntoff, to CCMP. She is now a member of the CCMP volunteer team.

Dr. Shpuntoff has actively served in organized dentistry as a member of the QCDS Board and as a governor for New York State Dental Society.

Indian Dental Society Presents Dr. Gehani With Lifetime Achievement Award In India

By Dr. Prabha Krishnan

Professor Chad P. Gehani of New York University received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Indian Dental Association at their annual awards ceremony held in Mumbai, India.

Dr. Gehani is a man of many talents—a respected clinician, visionary leader, passionate educator, admired mentor, humanitarian, and effective collaborator making significant contributions to organized dentistry, oral health care and dental education. In addition to advocating for the underprivileged, he has always been concerned about the future of dentistry. His vision is to unite the dental profession so that the ADA is truly the "Voice of Dentistry" in the United States. He is widely respected for his ability to bring all stakeholders together.

In 2014, Dr. Gehani was installed as a trustee of the American Dental Association, representing New York State. He served as a member of the Committee on International Programs and Development from 2005-2009, Council on Membership from 2006-2009, chair of the New York State Tripartite Grassroots Membership Initiative from 2002-2007, and on the National Summit on Diversity from 2009-2010.

He was president of New York State Dental Association from 2011 to 2012. During his tenure, he successfully pre-



Dr. Chad Gehani, second from left, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from members of the Indian Dental Society.

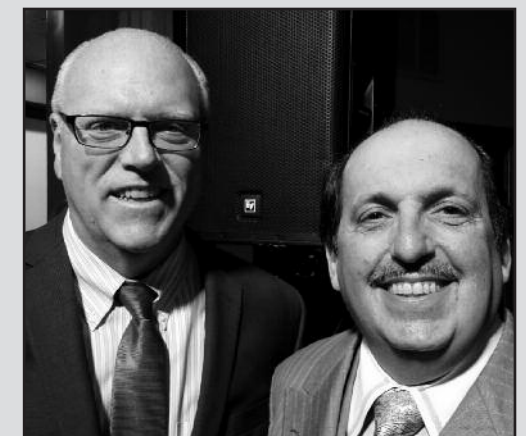
served adult dental Medicaid and created a task force to examine the licensure process (Post Graduate Year 1 Task Force). NYSDA was successful in passing legislation offering loan forgiveness to young dentists and recent graduates willing to serve in areas of decreased access to care in New York State.

He has given over 250 lectures worldwide and has mentored young dentists, many who are involved in leadership roles at various levels in organized dentistry.

Dr. Caruso Attends Political Fundraiser for Melinda Katz



EDPAC Treasurer Dr. Joseph Caruso, left, attended a fundraiser for Melinda Katz Queens Borough President, center, recently in Astoria. Joining them is Governor Andrew Cuomo, a long-time friend and Fordham University classmate of Dr. Caruso.



Dr. Caruso, right, greeted Congressman Joseph Crowley, at the fundraiser for Melinda Katz.

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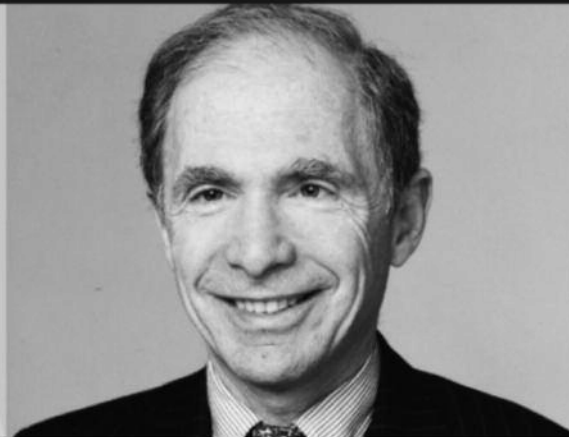
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To meet the demand for trained dental assistants, the dental society co-sponsors this course to assist interested students who have a desire to prepare and work in this exciting career field. Dental assistants who have been trained on the job can significantly improve their job and skills performance with this training. The course is designed to train:

- * already employed dental assistants who have limited or no formal training.
- * those who are interested in preparing to take the DANB Exam.

This comprehensive course will augment the on-the-job learning experience by giving the theoretical background of the profession of dental assisting and also provide hands-on-training in a classroom setting. The course has been structured in such a way that the total time required for completion is only 15 sessions totaling 45 hours plus a 15 hour independent study project. The course is a total of 60 hours.

Topics covered include:

Dental Terminology	Charting	Disease Transmission
Infection Control	Sterilization	Operative Dentistry
Dental Specialties	Anesthesia	Dental Instrumentation
4-Handed Dentistry	Dental Materials	Radiology
Dental Office Emergencies	Dental Anatomy	Preventive Oral Hygiene

COURSE CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT WILL BE GRANTED UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF REQUIRED COURSE WORK, ATTENDANCE, & FINAL EXAM

COURSE NUMBER: QC101-5 (Friday Evenings)
TIME: 6:30 to 9:30 PM
COURSE DATES: MARCH 10, through JUNE 23, 2017
PLACE: Queens County Dental Society Headquarters Building
86-90 188th Street, Jamaica, NY 11423
Tuition: \$1100.00 **Text, Ins. & Lab Fees:** \$645.00

PLEASE CALL DATC TOLL FREE 1 (888) 595-3282 TO REGISTER FOR THIS PROGRAM.

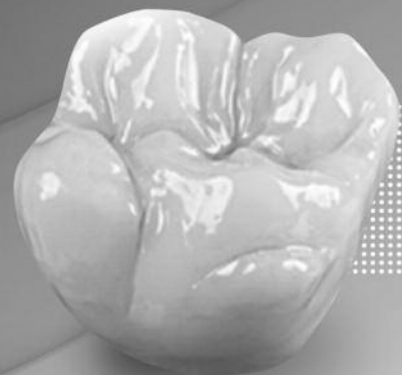
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Sunday, January 22 9:00 a.m.

Topic: Implant Surgical Mentorship program (session 1 of 4) 32 C.E. Credits

Course Objectives: Expand your implant surgery practice and increase the number and predictability of elective surgeries you perform by incorporating the fundamental sciences, patient evaluation and treatment planning protocols, case selection information, implant surgery techniques, extraction site management and ridge preservation procedures, soft tissue grafting, periodontal plastic surgery and bone grafting techniques for implant site development, universal aesthetic principles, aesthetic risk assessment information and evidenced based treatment protocols for selection and sequencing aesthetic implant site development procedures as well as avoiding and treating surgical and prosthetic implant complications that you will learn from the comprehensive presentation of this course.

Course Schedule: Day 1

- Morning session – Interactive Lecture
- Biological basis of oral wound healing
 - Principles of atraumatic extraction
 - Socket preservation
- Afternoon session
- Bone graft materials and membranes
 - Guided Bone Regeneration
 - Introduction to CBCT

Instructor: Dr. Robert Mikhli

Tuition: ADA member: \$6,500 ADA member staff: \$200
Non-ADA member: \$8,500 Non-ADA member staff: \$300

This fee covers the 4 live courses on Jan. 22, 23, and Feb. 5, 6, and the 2 in office training sessions. A \$15 late fee will be assigned to those whose pay and/or register on the day of the event. Pre-registration is required. Call 718-454-8344 to register. A breakfast and lunch is included.

Monday, January 23 9:00 a.m.

Topic: Implant Surgical Mentorship program (session 2 of 4) 32 C.E. Credits

Course Schedule: Day 2

- Morning session – Interactive lecture
- Introduction to Osseointegration
 - History of Dental Implants
 - Implant mechanics
 - Treatment planning
- Afternoon session – Hands on workshop
- Use of proximators in atraumatic extraction
 - Use of bone graft materials in socket preservation
 - Use of collagen membrane in Guided Bone Regeneration
 - Suture selection and techniques

Sunday, February 5 9:00 a.m.

Topic: Implant Surgical Mentorship program (session 3 of 4) 32 C.E. Credits

Course Schedule: Day 3

- Morning session – Interactive lecture
- CBCT principles
 - Radiation safety
 - Review of head and neck anatomy
 - Interpretation of CBCT scans
- Afternoon session – Hands on workshop (Bring laptop if possible)
- Mapping of critical anatomy

- Use of CBCT software
- Merge prosthetic plan with CBCT
- Prosthetically driven implant treatment planning
- Plan your upcoming cases

Monday, February 6 9:00 a.m.

Topic: Implant Surgical Mentorship program (session 4 of 4) 32 C.E. Credits

Course Schedule: Day 4


- Hands on laboratory (AM)
- Set up motor, handpiece, surgical kits
 - Implant placement on models and carpine jaws
- Afternoon session
- Q & A session
 - Closing remarks
- Day 5 and 6 – One on One IN office training
- Place 5 implants in your office on your patients
 - IN office implant marketing strategies with your staff
 - Dental assistant training in surgical assisting and sterilizations techniques

Tuesday, February 7 7:00 p.m.

General Membership Meeting 2 C.E. Credits

7:00 p.m. – **Recession: Prevention/Treatment for Teeth and Implants**


Soft Tissue Assessment, Indications for Soft Tissue Augmentation-
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Guidelines for Intervention, and Soft Tissue Grafting Techniques—Step by Step.

Speaker: Dr. Stephen Weisglass

Free admission to all members, non-QCDS members by invitation only. Dinner included.

Friday, February 10

9:30 a.m.

Video Study Club: Common Frustrating Oral Diseases—Diagnosis and Treatment 2 C.E. Credits

How many times do you look into a patient's oral cavity and wonder what condition or lesion you are observing and more importantly, what are you going to do with it? Because most of dental practice is concerned with restorative dentistry and surgical procedures, the less commonly occurring areas of oral diagnosis and treatment are often overlooked. Much has changed in the last several years that will influence your diagnosis and treatment of these frustrating and often painful oral conditions. This presentation includes a logical approach to the diagnosis and treatment of aphthous stomatitis, oral lichen planus, chronic ulcerative stomatitis, and benign mucous membrane pemphigoid and applications of practical clinical information for everyday practice.

This presentation will assist in identifying and treating these conditions and will allow you to better treat patients.

Instructor: Dr. Al A. Gulum

Tuition: QCDS Members: Free

Non-QCDS members (one time): \$100

Non-QCDS members (VSC annual pass): \$350

A \$15 late fee will be assigned to those who pay and/or register on the day of the event. Pre-registration is required. Call 718-454-8344 to register. A light breakfast is included.

Friday, February 17

9:00 a.m.

Topic: The Role of the Dental Professional in the Treatment of the Diabetic Patient and the Single Tooth Implant: The Ultimate Esthetic Challenge 7 C.E. Credits

Course Description:

This lecture is specifically geared for the dentist and dental hygienist. The presentation addresses the relationship between oral health and diabetes and will discuss the practitioner's role with management considerations for the patient with diabetes. An overview of diabetes will be discussed as well as its oral manifestations, consequences, and treatment recommendations.

Emphasis will be given to the use of 3D treatment planning as it relates to the diagnostic workup and the use of computer guided surgery. Multiple provisional options and/or interim Hawley prosthesis appliances will be reviewed to attain ideal esthetic results. Long term follow-up will be shown as it relates to these approaches.

Learning Objectives:

- Define diabetes and differentiate between each type
- Review the role the Dentist and Dental Hygienist have in early detection for the diagnosis of diabetes
- Describe the signs and symptoms of uncontrolled diabetes mellitus
- Identify the risk factors and systemic complications of diabetes
- Discuss the oral complications and management considerations for the dental patient with diabetes
- Explore the use of platform switching and when and where to use it
- Identify the "Top 10" rules for a successful esthetic outcome
- Determine when to use immediate vs. delayed placement of implants

- Understand the principles of CT guided treatment planning
- Describe multiple provisional options for maximizing esthetic results

Instructor: Dr. Daniel Pompa

Tuition: ADA member/staff: \$95 Non-ADA member: \$195

A \$15 late fee will be assigned to those who pay and/or register on the day of the event. Pre-registration is required. Call 718-454-8344 to register. A breakfast and lunch is included

Thursday, March 2

6:00 p.m.

Infection Control

4 C.E. Credits

In the past this course has had an overwhelming positive response from clinicians and their staff who want to stay informed of the latest infection control recommendations out there and does so through the eyes and thoughts of a speaker/clinician who understands the nature and demand of the everyday dental practice. Bring your entire staff and satisfy OSHA's annual staff training requirements. Learn what's new in infection control techniques and what is needed to comply with appropriate infection control guidelines. COURSE QUALIFIES FOR RELICENSURE.

A \$15 late fee will be assigned to those who pay and/or register on the day of the event. Dinner is included. Pre-registration is required. Call 718-454-8344 to register. Class begins promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Instructor: Safety Compliance Services

Tuition: ADA member/staff: \$90 Non-ADA member: \$260

Tuesday, March 7

7:00 p.m.

General Membership Meeting

2 C.E. Credits

7:00 P.M. **What They Didn't Teach You In Dental School: Building A Profitable Practice In Today's Economy**

In today's fluctuating economy, the dental practitioner faces constant interruptions that keep them from focusing on patient care. At this seminar, Victor Andrade will address the internal and external challenges practice owners face in our current economic climate and walk you through the five steps to accomplish ultimate office efficiency.

At the seminar you will learn:

- Five strategies for becoming a successful insurance-driven or fee-for-service practice
- How to dramatically cut coding errors and boost legitimate reimbursement
- How to accurately set office fees and negotiate fee schedules with insurance companies
- How to increase hygiene retention and implement processes to grow production
- How to build a successful perio program
- Utilizing technology to increase efficiency and maximize profitability while reducing stress within your practice

Speaker: Victor H. Andrade III

Free admission to all members. Non-QCDS Members by invitation only. Dinner is included.

Dietary Concerns

QCDS wishes to accommodate the dietary needs of attendees at meetings and programs. Anyone requiring kosher or other specialized foods should notify the QCDS office at the time of registration.

STUDY CLUBS

Dr. Fialkoff Study Club

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JAN 11 7:00 -10:00 p.m.

Topic: "Which appliances are indicated for TMJ, Sleep Apnea Minor Tooth Movements?"

Speaker: Dr. Charles Kravitz

Location: 47-10 Bell Blvd., Bayside

FEB 8 7:00 -10:00 p.m.

Topic: "Contracting with participating provider panels and Dental Benefit Issues"

Speaker: Dr. Judith Shub

Location: 47-10 Bell Blvd., Bayside

Kalman Study Club

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FEB 8 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Topic: "Strategies for Delivering Naturally Contoured Implants Restorations."

Speaker: Dr. Daniel Gober

Location: 60-70 Woodhaven Blvd., Unit C-2, Elmhurst

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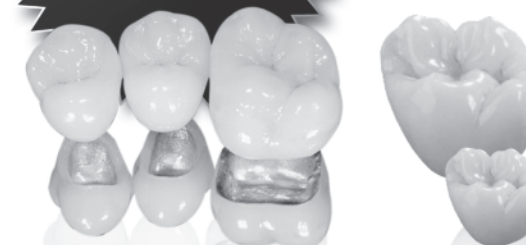
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Both of the above changes are applicable to returns for years beginning after 12/31/2015

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