



Course Abstracts

From the Upcoming 2008 Spring Scientific Session

The following speakers will give presentations at the 2008 Spring Scientific Session. For more information on the Session, please go to cda.org, and click on “Conferences & Education,” then “Scientific Sessions.”



Dr. Buchanan is the founder of Dental Education Laboratories, a hands-on training center serving general dentists and endodontists.

Dr. Buchanan will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room California C. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

L. STEPHEN BUCHANAN, DDS

The Art of Endodontics: Rationale for Treatment, Access and Negotiation

This lecture will review the rationale for treating cases of endodontic origin. It will include discussion on how to create ideal access forms that preserve the most tooth structure yet still ensure straight-

line access into each orifice. It will also provide information on techniques for consistently negotiating canals to their terminus, including how to properly bend a file to get around impediments.

Dr. Buchanan will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom C. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

L. STEPHEN BUCHANAN, DDS

Live Endodontic Demonstration

This lecture will demonstrate the new GT Series X rotary shaping files and two separate 3-dimensional filling techniques: GTX carrier-based and the continuous wave of condensation technique using the System-B/Elements Obturation unit.

Throughout the procedure, state-of-the-art multimedia will be used to walk attendees through the steps necessary to ideally treat root canals in the safest, most efficient and reproducible fashion

Dr. Buchanan will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Sunday, May 4, from 8 a.m. to noon at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 213 C. The workshop will offer 4.0 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

L. STEPHEN BUCHANAN, DDS

The Art of Endodontics: Hands-on Course

In this hands-on workshop, attendees will learn firsthand the effectiveness of the GT Series X Files, using extracted teeth to create ideal shapes and practice

3-dimensional filling techniques for obturation. All instruments will be provided with the exception of extracted teeth.



Ms. Castagna and Ms. Moore will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room Huntington A/B/C. The workshop offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.



Ms. Castagna and Ms. Moore are co-founders of The Practice Source, a management consulting company.

Ms. Castagna and Ms. Moore will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, in Room Huntington A/B/C. The workshop offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

Ms. Castagna and Ms. Moore will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Sunday, May 4, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom E. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

DEBBIE CASTAGNA AND VIRGINIA MOORE

The Doctor as CEO: Plan Your Way to Success and Profitability

Attendees at this lecture will learn how to use an annual plan as a road map to practice success and profitability, including how to forecast expenses accurately and determine production

goals that will help answer basic, but vital, questions about one's dental practice. Among the topics that will be addressed are overhead expenses, pensions and taxes.

DEBBIE CASTAGNA AND VIRGINIA MOORE

Foolproof Appointment Scheduling: the 10 Things Every Staff Member Will Need to Schedule Successfully

This lecture will discuss efficient processes and procedures for scheduling. Topics will include pre-blocking basics, scheduling to goal, determining perfect appointment lengths, keeping patients active, the patient hand-off, the quick-call system, and verbal skills for handling scheduling challenges. How scheduling situations and patients are handled has a

profound effect on virtually every aspect of a practice, including productivity and profitability — not to mention stress. Attendees will learn how to put systems and processes in place to help make decisions ahead of time to deal with challenging situations, resulting in a foolproof and straightforward scheduling process with a consistently successful outcome.

DEBBIE CASTAGNA AND VIRGINIA MOORE

Rejuvenate Your Practice — It's Easier Than You Think

This lecture will discuss the five things everyone wants from their job; how to hold staff meetings that are productive, solution-oriented and fun; how to structure an appointment scheduling system that

reduces frustration and stress, and increases productivity and profitability; and what compromises a "remarkable" recare department, and how to implement this kind of system.



Dr. Feuerstein is the technical editor of *Dental Economics*.

Dr. Feuerstein will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and continue from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room California A. Each section of the lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

PAUL FEUERSTEIN, DMD

New Technology for the Dental Practice

This course reviews the newest high-tech advances for dental practices. Content includes digital and intraoral cameras, digital radiography, caries and oral disease detection, computer imaging, shade taking, patient education, new ConeBeam CT technology, software and

implant planning, new 3D intraoral digital impressions and CAD systems, and the newest products. Discussion will also include the latest devices, what the future may hold, and how to make a more educated purchase decision for the practice.

Dr. Feuerstein will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 209 A/B. The workshop offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

PAUL FEUERSTEIN, DMD

Products You Need for a High-tech Practice Room

In this workshop, participants will touch, feel and try out a variety of tech devices, cameras and digital products in a nonsales environment. They will see the basic high-tech tools needed for your practice. Tabletop demonstrations of

representative products from many manufacturers will teach and demonstrate. Attendees can try various digital devices and software that will help create a modern dental practice, and learn to make intelligent purchase decisions for the practice.

Dr. Feuerstein will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 209 A/B. The workshop offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

PAUL FEUERSTEIN, DMD

3D X-rays, Impressions and Treatment Planning — Up Close and Personal

Company representatives of new technologies will be on hand to demonstrate the future of dentistry. Cone beam CT, implant planning software, digital impressions, and CAD restorations will be discussed and demonstrated. Attendees

will get a close look at CBCT scans, interpretation and treatment planning, and digital impressions, and receive a foundation to learn more about these products and make intelligent practice purchase decisions.



Ms. Gunn is an advanced certified QuickBooks Proadvisor.

Ms. Gunn will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Thursday, May 1, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and continue from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 210 C. The workshop offers 5.0 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

SUSAN GUNN

Getting the Most out of QuickBooks in Your Practice

This lecture will show attendees how to maximize QuickBooks beyond tax accounting, into a highly effective yet simple practice management tool for financial analysis and goal planning. Attendees will learn to create a practice management chart of accounts, develop organized accountability between

QuickBooks and practice software, download credit card transactions, pay bills vs. write checks, and reconcile bank statements. Topics will also include analyzing payroll services, taking the mystery out of paying employees and taxes, understanding reports, and avoiding common mistakes.

Ms. Gunn will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 210 C. The workshop offers 3.0 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

SUSAN GUNN

For Your Eyes (and Ears) Only

This workshop will discuss the eye-opening facts revealed in a nationwide embezzlement survey including: Embezzlers can be not only staff, but also trusted advisers such as CPAs and family members; what can happen when employees are hired without background or reference checks; why be wary of staff members who stir up bad feelings in the practice or routinely complain about co-workers; the real cost of embezzlement and why dentists often end

up selling their practices; and what NOT to do if you suspect embezzlement in your practice. Attendees will explore case studies of practice vulnerabilities that entice dishonesty, sometimes in those who are trusted most. They will learn easy ways to weave accountability threads throughout their systems and procedures, and implement practical safeguards to help their practices avoid becoming the victim of financial dishonesty or deceit.

Ms. Gunn will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 2:30 to 5 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 210 A/B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

SUSAN GUNN

It's More Than Just Turning It On

Even computer professionals find it hard to stay current with the advances and changes in technology today, so it's not surprising that most practices do, too. But a working knowledge of hardware and software basics is critical to a practice's success. This lecture provides practical information on computer usage and maintenance, including internet and identity theft protection, optimizing your computer's effectiveness as a practice management tool, setting up a sensible

computer maintenance schedule, and making that all-important decision: When is it time to pull the plug? Attendees will also receive advice on secure passwords, backups, internal and external cleaning, updates vs. upgrades, and virus protection. Real-life stories punctuate the presentation, providing common-sense, bottom-line information that every practice needs to keep technology problems from disrupting the schedule and potentially affecting the bottom line.



Dr. Koerner maintains a private practice with an emphasis on oral surgery in Utah.

Dr. Koerner will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and continue from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room Pacific A. Each section of the lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

KARL R. KOERNER, DDS, MS

Oral Surgery 1: Making Surgical Extractions Faster and More Predictable

This course presents ideas, instruments, and procedures that help simplify exodontia, removing much of the uncertainty that can present in the mind of the dental surgeon. It reviews many things to do that are commonly taught in oral surgery residency programs, but it also covers things not to do. These are called “absolutes” — things that always

result in adverse consequences. Also included in the course is socket bone grafting for ridge maintenance and immediate repair of sinus perforations from an extraction. Which materials are the most predictable and which just have good marketing? What barrier membranes are best? How long are they needed to cover the graft?

Dr. Koerner will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. and again from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 213 B. Each section of the workshop offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

KARL R. KOERNER, DDS, MS

Oral Surgery Workshop

Participants in this workshop will perform several procedures with dental instruments on a lifelike model of the mouth. A surgical extraction is done on a simulated “bombed out” tooth. It is sectioned, and any fractured roots are retrieved by using the most effective instrumentation. Then, a quality bone graft material (a type that turns hard in only four months) is prepared and placed in the socket. It is covered with a protective, nonresorbable membrane then secured and

stabilized with Teflon nonresorbable sutures. In addition, a partial bony impaction is removed step-by-step. With this procedure, incisions are critical. If done incorrectly, significant nerves and blood vessels can be damaged, causing serious complications. Once the flap is reflected, bone is appropriately excised. Sectioning is done. Then the parts are withdrawn until the entire tooth is out. Dry socket prevention and treatment are also covered.



Dr. Kohner is a periodontist who teaches seminars on crown lengthening and soft tissue grafting for the Perio Institute.

Dr. Kohner will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Thursday, May 1, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and continue from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 213 B. The workshop offers 5.0 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

JAMES S. KOHNER, DDS

Hands-on Crown Lengthening Workshop

This course provides a thorough review of the principles and clinical procedures needed to perform crown lengthening in all its variations, including indications, contraindications, and management of surrounding bone. Surgical techniques, biologic width, and preservation of esthetics in the tissue contours are taught to allow participants to diagnose and perform crown lengthening if they so chose. Participants will do flap surgery on pig jaws and osseous recontouring on

anatomically correct models. Videos of the surgery will be shown. Attendees will see how to make predictable impressions every time, save chair time and be more profitable. A treatment planning session using radiographs will illustrate how to make crown length decisions from radiographs alone. While most of the workshop will focus on posterior mechanical issues, a section is devoted to understanding and managing anterior esthetic considerations.

Dr. Kohner will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 208 A/B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

JAMES S. KOHNER, DDS

Benefits of Crown Lengthening to Enhance Restorative Results

This presentation will focus on the methods, limitations, and benefits of functional crown lengthening procedures. Whether attendees do them themselves or refer them out, they will leave with a better understanding for helping patients enjoy those benefits. This course is filled with

case examples, surgical videos, and a treatment planning exercise to evaluate the appropriate treatment for a variety of illustrations. Attendees will learn how to make more predictable impressions and avoid surprises with crowns or bridges that do not fit well.

Dr. Kohner will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 208 A/B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

JAMES S. KOHNER, DDS

Benefits of Anterior Crown Lengthening in Improving Esthetic Results

This presentation will focus on the methods, limitations, and benefits of anterior crown lengthening procedures. The concepts needed to better understand the potential treatment for, or limitations of, the “gummy” smile will be discussed. Whether attendees do them themselves or refer them out, they will leave with a better understanding for helping patients enjoy those benefits. This course is filled with case

examples and surgical videos. The lecture will cover how understanding the measurements of the biologic width and how it impacts decision making before removing anterior gingiva will allow the dentist to better meet patients’ esthetic demands and avoid the surprise and aggravation of red, swollen gums around recently placed crowns. Discussion of laser use in managing soft tissue dimensions will also be included.



Dr. Kwan is a periodontist and CEO of Perioscopy, Inc.

Dr. Kwan will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Thursday, May 1, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and continue from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom C. Each section of the lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

JOHN Y. KWAN, BS, DDS

Practicing Periodontics From the Center to the Edge

This course will provide exposure to a periodontal practice that embraces minimally invasive dentistry. A review of magnification and illumination systems will precede an overview of oral plastic surgery procedures performed using the operating microscope, from mucogingival reconstruction to immediate implants with provisional restorations. Video presentation through the microscope will give the attendee a chance to share the magnified view of the surgeon. A healthy periodontium is essential to more than

just a healthy mouth. It is now linked to the health and well being of the body. Are there options regarding how managing the tooth that is ailing or failing? Is nonsurgical treatment effecting? What are the disinfection options? Are hand instruments no longer needed for scaling and root planing? One of the most exciting tools for periodontal debridement is the periodontal endoscope. With it, one can microvisually debride diseased roots without surgically opening the tissue.

Dr. Kwan will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and again from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 213 C. Each section of the workshop offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

JOHN Y. KWAN, BS, DDS

Manual Tuning Workshop for Micro-ultrasonics

Micro-ultrasonic instrumentation is becoming mainstream in dental hygiene. The technical aspects of use are being taught but manual tuning does not seem to be well understood. Attendees will try out various machines and learn to manually

tune them. They will begin to understand why many believe that manual tuning is the best way to tailor vibrations for a wide variety of clinical needs. An added bonus will be a chance to play with the periodontal endoscope.



Dr. Lingen is an associate professor in the Department of Pathology, at the University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine.

Dr. Lingen will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room Pacific B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

MARK W. LINGEN, DDS, PHD

Soft Tissue Lesions of the Oral Cavity: Everything You Forgot About Since Dental School but Were Afraid to Ask

The purpose of this talk is to review the basic categories of soft tissue lesions that are encountered in the head and neck region. Although the common lesions of the head and neck do not carry significant morbidity, the clinician must be able to successfully differentiate from the more serious conditions of this region. This

lecture will discuss the necessary techniques for performing a comprehensive oral exam; review common white, red, yellow, ulcerated and pigmented lesions of the oral cavity; and emphasize the development of differential diagnoses for each of the lesions presented.

Dr. Lingen will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room Pacific B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

MARK W. LINGEN, DDS, PHD

Oral Cancer 2008: New Technologies for Early Detection and Prevention

Oral cancer is the sixth most common malignancy in the world. Despite numerous advances in treatment, the survival rate has remained unchanged for the past 50 years. Therefore, early diagnosis and effective chemopreventive strategies against the development of future neoplasms are essential. The purpose of this talk is to provide the participants with the most up to date information regarding the detection and prevention of oral cancer. This course

will review the clinical appearance of potentially premalignant lesions, discuss the necessary techniques for performing a comprehensive oral exam, introduce developing technologies for the diagnosis of oral cancer, present the major chemopreventive initiatives that are being tested in clinical trials, and emphasize the role of dental professionals in early detection and chemoprevention.



Ms. McKenzie is CEO of McKenzie Management, a dental management consulting firm.

Ms. McKenzie will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Thursday, May 1, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom D. The lecture offers 3.0 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

SALLY MCKENZIE

The 5 Ms of a Successful Team

How well dental teams implement the 5 M's of a successful dental practice — message, materials, measurement, manpower (team power), and management — has a huge impact on that one very important m: money. Dentist need to evaluate their message. What is the team saying to patients about the care, the staff, the office? And, most importantly, has the team considered the messages they are conveying in every interaction from the first phone

call, to the emergency appointment, to the routine visit. Many dentists have completely overlooked one of the most effective materials available? It's costing practices a fortune in lost revenue. It is often said that a company is only as good as its people; the same is true for a dental practice. The quality of employees reflects the quality of the care. If dentists measure their teams, they'll ensure that they consistently represent the best the dentist has to offer.



Ms. Novotny is the founder of Master Connection Associates, a strategic business consulting company.

Ms. Novotny will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

CINDY NOVOTNY

The Role of a Dental Assistant in Building a Better Practice

After completing their education, dental assistants have the skill and knowledge that gives them the ability to assist the dentist on the medical side of the practice but this is only part of the job. A valuable dental assistant understands the combination of art and science when it comes to perfecting his or her career. There's pressure in the profession, person-

ality conflicts within the practice, issues in dealing with the doctor, and overcoming negativity, fear and concern from patients. In this session, attendees will learn skills that will help them with the art of service: how to deal with different personalities, how to overcome angry patients, and how to create a comfortable and welcoming atmosphere in the chair.

Ms. Novotny will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

CINDY NOVOTNY

The Role of the Front Desk in Building a Better Practice

First impressions are lasting impressions and it is a critical job of the front desk to build lasting relationships with the patients so that the practice does not lose their business and grow their business based on referrals. A successful front desk is all about attitude, energy and appearance.

In this session, attendees will learn how to improve the perception of the front desk by maintaining a positive attitude, multi-tasking while still being polite, and managing the process of appointments and customer service at the same time.



Dr. Sheets is co-executive director of the Newport Coast Oral Facial Institute.

Dr. Sheets will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room California D. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

CHERYLYN G. SHEETS, DDS

Meeting the Demands of Today's Esthetic Restorative Practice

Excellence in esthetic reconstructive dentistry requires a mastery of clinical skills and a deep understanding of the art and science of dentistry. Yet, achieving high level results can sometimes prove to be challenging. This course will simplify these objectives by outlining the diagnostic guidelines and clinical protocols that maximize esthetic treatment outcomes for the simple to the very complex clinical

cases. In this course, the dentist will learn guidelines for a complete esthetic analysis prior to the commencement of treatment; clinical guides such as the diagnostic wax-up, reduction guides, and provisional restorations for more predictable esthetic outcomes; and preparation protocols that enhance the esthetic outcome of porcelain restorations.

Dr. Sheets will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Room California D. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

CHERYLYN G. SHEETS, DDS

Replicating Nature With Advanced Esthetic Treatment Options

Today, many patients are able to benefit from the positive psychological impact that an attractive smile has on self-esteem and confidence from esthetic reconstructive dentistry. This presentation will outline the steps to ensure a natural esthetic result in a broad range of simple to complex esthetic treatment situations. Numerous illustrations will be shared that emphasize intricacies and variations of diagnosis, treatment

sequencing and maintenance techniques to achieve these goals. In this course the dentist will learn advanced esthetic solutions using porcelain bonded restorations, how to use combinations of esthetic treatment options in one case, develop effective communication tools with the laboratory technologist for improved results, and how to control the psychological aspects of esthetically demanding patients.



Dr. Smiler is a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and maintains a private practice in Encino, California.

Dr. Soltan is a diplomate of the International Congress of Oral Implantologists and maintains a private practice in Riverside Calif. Riverside Calif.

Drs. Smiler and Soltan will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 304 C/D. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

Drs. Smiler and Soltan will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 304 C/D. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

DENNIS G. SMILER, DDS, MSCD, AND MUNA F. SOLTAN, DDS

Successful Bone Grafts With Bone Marrow Aspirate Stem Cells: An Office Procedure

This presentation introduces the platinum standard for bone graft success that emphasizes autogenous osteogenic bone marrow stem cells. This protocol combines bone marrow aspirated stem cells with graft material to form bone. The procedure uses the patient's self-renewable stem cells within bone marrow to facilitate viable bone cell growth. Results of scientific studies, histomorphometric analysis and stem cell markers show this point-of-care technique is effective with excellent results in bone regeneration.

Attendees will learn the rationale, anatomy, and technique for obtaining adult stem cells from bone marrow aspirate; the science of stem cells, osteoblasts, and osteoclasts; and the surgical protocol for the procedure. Harvesting bone marrow stem cells is a simple in-office safe predictable procedure with minimal post harvesting edema or pain. It is cost-effective, less invasive because it avoids the need for a second surgical site, and proven more effective than autogenous bone.

DENNIS G. SMILER, DDS, MSCD, AND MUNA F. SOLTAN, DDS

Balloon Subantral Membrane Elevation: Sinus and Socket Lift for the Nonsurgical Clinician

For the nonsurgical clinician, the Balloon Subantral Membrane Elevation technique is an appropriate procedure to lift the sinus membrane. It easily elevates the membrane with minimal trauma accessing the antral floor for augmentation. This technique is particularly useful in areas difficult to reach and when teeth are adjacent to the edentulous area. There is reduced morbidity, blood loss, operative time, post operative pain, and complications. The procedure is accomplished with a limited incision, minimal mucoperiosteal flap reflection and a small osseous window to expose the sinus membrane. The mucoperiosteal flap is elevated exposing

the buccal bone beyond the mucogingival attachment. The antral balloon is placed under the membrane and gently inflated with 2–4cc of sterile saline. The procedure results in an antral space bordered superiorly by the reflected membrane; medially by the medial wall of the sinus; and antero-posteriorly by the nonreflected membrane and the roots of the adjacent teeth. This augmentation procedure has been a highly successful and predictable procedure. It can be accomplished through the implant osteotomy site in conjunction with implant placement. This lecture includes PowerPoint program including videos case presentations.



Drs. Smiler and Soltan will present the following fee workshop at the Spring Scientific Session on Sunday, May 4, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Anaheim Convention Center, Room 213 A. The workshop offers 3.0 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

DENNIS G. SMILER, DDS, MSCD, AND MUNA F. SOLTAN, DDS

Balloon Subantral Membrane Elevation Hands-on Workshop

This three-hour hands-on interactive workshop is designed for the nonsurgical clinician. The workshop is a combination of lecture material, handouts, videos of selected procedures, and hands-on model surgery. The balloon subantral membrane elevation technique makes the antral floor accessible for bone graft augmentation with minimal flap though the buccal wall or crestal approach from the prepared implant site. The clinician can add 10-15 mm bone height. Drs. Smiler and Soltan will instruct

each participant in how to diagnose the patient for this procedure, to interpret CT-scans, to place implants into graft site, to perform sinus and socket lift surgery with the aid of antral balloon, and to deal with complications. Consoles, instruments, balloons, graft materials, and implants are provided. The course objectives are to provide the clinician with knowledge, surgical skills, flap design, and understanding of the surgical requirements for balloon subantral membrane elevation.



Dr. Smiler is a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and maintains a private practice in Encino, California.

Dr. Soltan is a diplomate of the International Congress of Oral Implantologists and maintains a private practice in Riverside Calif. Riverside Calif.



Ms. Taylor will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Friday, May 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and again from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom E. Each section of the lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

JILL TAYLOR

CSI: Perio Uncovered and Sentenced

This lecture will be a periodontal investigation in which attendees will learn how to process a “crime scene” using the latest science based investigative tools. Participants will learn how to “assess the crime scene” by factoring in clues from past chart notes and the patient’s medical history. They will learn to differentiate between health and disease at “the scene of the crime” through five basic screenings, plus when more sophisticated testing is needed to treat periodontal disease. Clues will be provided to challenge the dental professional’s role in identifying risk factors for oral cancer, recognizing where suspicious lesions are found, and implementing sound screening protocols, thus making appropri-

ate referrals for optimum oral health and increasing case presentation for restorative and esthetic dentistry. Awareness of updated technologies, techniques for optimal lesion detection, and philosophies via proven research and population statistics within the medical and dental professions is critical to properly treat patients. Attendees will learn effective means of “sentencing” periodontal disease in patients by creating individualized treatment plans, arresting the disease process and supporting comprehensive care with restorative and aesthetic options. The ability to find hidden disease and make a difference in total body health and wellness of patients will increase patient relationships tenfold



Ms. Wallace's chairside career has included general and cosmetic dentistry, and she has been employed by Ultradent Products since 1996.

Ms. Wallace will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Thursday, May 1, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and continue from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B. Each section of the lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category II.

VICTORIA WALLACE, CDA, RDA

The Secrets to Becoming a Successful Dental Assistant

This lecture is aimed at dental assistants who want a successful career. A successful dental assistant can make a very good income but must work at it. This can be accomplished by always being one step ahead of the dentist and

thinking like a dentist. Attendees will better understand common dental procedures, know how to manage and troubleshoot dental products, and know how to proceed without being asked.

Ms. Wallace will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

VICTORIA WALLACE, CDA, RDA

Totally Bonding: Do's and Don'ts to Help Create the Ultimate Bond

This course is full of information to help the clinician and assistant better understand and perform the bonding process. Explaining the different types of systems and how they work is just a small part of this program. This program is for both the doctor and assistant, and is recommended

for clinicians new to dentistry. Attendees will learn to understand the different classifications of resin systems, troubleshoot existing issues with bonding, and decide which type of system should be used for different procedures, i.e., light-cured, self-cured and dual-cured resins.

Ms. Wallace will present the following lecture at the Spring Scientific Session on Saturday, May 3, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B. The lecture offers 2.5 C.E. units in Dental Board of California Category I.

VICTORIA WALLACE, CDA, RDA

Doing Whitening Right ... Happy Patients and With Great Results

Whitening is still a big practice builder if done right. This course will educate the whole team on whitening options and proper procedure protocol, and will answer many whitening troubleshooting questions so patients will be comfortable and satisfied with their whitening procedure.

Attendees will learn the differences between all the whitening options available, how to troubleshoot whitening issues, and how to feel better about promoting whitening in their office, which in turn will help build the practice.