

What is it? How do I use it?: Today's Dental Products and Treatment Options

(3 to 6 hours of continuing education credit may be applied for)

Products and Topics included in each course vary depending on course length/sponsorship/association request. Do not use this to publicize course!

DESCRIPTION of COURSE:

Today's dental sessions require an exhaustive knowledge of products, instruments and equipment. Our profession has changed and grown to a new level which offers us continuous challenges to recognize the new advances in technology and their use in dental hygiene. As professionals providing health services, we should be at the pulse of clinical devices and treatment, while being able to recommend product protocols for use in the office. The process of care (assessment, diagnosis, treatment planning, implementation and evaluation) requires us to understand what the products are, how to use the products, contemporary treatment options, how to implement the procedures and evaluate what is and what is not working for us as individuals and as clinicians.

This course will provide information for the clinicians to be able to:

- Recognize improvements on products utilized by dental professionals
- Select materials and products for dental hygiene therapy
- Discuss diagnosis assistance with employers and rationale for changes in assessment forms and diagnostic tools
- Select appropriate patient home care products
- Select options in appropriate delivery of various therapeutics
- Communicate effectively to patients and assist in the business of the dental practice
- Recognize and evaluate changes to implement in their office
- Discuss strategies that incorporate efficiency in patient treatment for a more productive dental hygiene schedule

We will also discuss communication styles and motivational hints to bring acceptance of the challenges of the new era of dental hygiene therapy and dental treatment to your patients and team members.

Please be ready to have fun and share your thoughts and experiences!