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Many of us found out that we were stronger than we ever imagined. In 2020, even as we had diverse personal challenges with many losing loved ones, there were also happy moments—marriages and births of new loved ones. We are living through a pandemic but may see the light at the end of tunnel with the distribution of the vaccine. We have had difficult conversations on race and equity which were overdue. We have modified our practices with so many improvements to keep everyone safe. We have struggled through an economic crisis but have managed to keep our offices open. And, we have gotten through all of this—together! If there was ever a theme for 2020 is that we are stronger together. This should carry us through 2021. There is much more that bring us together than divides us. We relied on each other for information, for connection and compassion. We persevered. We were resilient. We were hopeful. So, I am optimistic for 2021! I am optimistic that I will see you—my AAPD family—in 2021! While no decision has been made yet on whether a face-to-face annual meeting in Boston will be possible, I am still looking forward to connecting with all you virtually, in person or some sort of hybrid.

As we work through some uncertainty about Boston 2021, I remain excited about the meeting! Many of us will recall how quickly we were able to pivot Nashville 2020 to NashVirtual 2020 and while we missed some of the social functions of the meeting, the platform was amazing and we were able to provide world class CE! In some ways the virtual format brought us closer together. I have no doubt that a virtual platform that allows any of us to connect and attend CE courses, whether or not an in-person meeting is possible, will be part of our future. The AAPD Scientific Program Committee, led by Dr Janice Townsend, has created an outstanding line-up of speakers and topics. To highlight a few sessions, there will be updates on Pediatric Medicine, Mindfulness and Wellness, Sedation and Orthodontics! All in one place. There will still be a diverse course selection for you to choose from, which will certainly satisfy a broad range of interests.

We have learned a lot this year and found news ways to stay connected, beginning with our town hall events that covered reopening your practices, accessing PPE and mental health, to our podcasts covering everything from advocacy to ethics to OR access. I have heard from many of you about how much you have enjoyed the flexibility of the AAPD CE offerings and the flexibility with the AAPD Education Passport.

Through all of this we stayed connected. I have been touched the outpouring of support from our members. You have been there for us and we are here for you. We are stronger together. Whether I see you in Boston in person or on a virtual stage, please know that the AAPD is committed to stand by you through 2021 and beyond.
We are committed to ensuring all children have a Dental Home!

This month we are putting the spotlight on our Dental Home Heroes across the country. We award grants each year to organizations that help make an impact on children’s oral health and their communities.

Our grantees are Dental Home Heroes because they provide care to children from families who cannot afford dental care and go the extra mile for their patients. Our grantees have definitely earned hero status! They understand that it is important to not only provide the services needed to have optimal oral health but to also teach their patients the importance of healthy dental habits because dental care is essential care.

Do you have a Dental Home Hero you want to nominate? Nominate the hero in your community by using the hashtag #DentalHomeHeroes on social media for a chance to be featured!

Give hope to children in need of a Dental Home and give now to help award grants to clinics like KidSMILES in Columbus, Ohio, who help their community both inside and outside the clinic.

We are grateful for all volunteers, dental professionals, and supporters who have #BigLoveforLittleTeeth!

Dr. Charles S. Czerepak
AAPD Foundation
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Meet our Dental Home Heroes from KidSMILES

AAPD Foundation grantee KidSMILES Pediatric Dental Clinic in Columbus, Ohio, is one of our Dental Home Heroes who goes the extra mile every day to provide dental care to children in need, according to two happy moms.

“KidSMILES has been wonderful for my children. I recently had lost my job and insurance and my children were in desperate need of dental work. Without hesitation they took us in to help me with the kids dental issues right away. If you have no insurance, they offer hygiene care and restorative work with a $40 payout cap per family. It’s amazing and they are so kind and respectful. It’s unreal how fantastic they are, and their receptionist Melinda is amazing. Thank you so much for all you have done.”

– KidSMILES parent

“We as a family new to the area and starting our family business, it has been wonderful to have my children’s dental needs cared for at an incredible price. Scheduling has been easy and quick, the staff are very kind and accommodating, and the service has been impeccable. My boys have had cavities filled and have felt no fear and the process has been very efficient – under an hour for both boys! They look forward to every appointment and we are so encouraged by the giving hearts of the dentists and assistants that lend their time to help others in need!”

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We are very grateful for the patience of the AAPD membership while we navigate the challenging and uncertain future for AAPD 2021. The AAPD Meetings Department, along with Boston city officials are doing their very best to determine if meeting face-to-face will be possible in May.

As we continue to work through these difficult times, we still want you to be excited about what we have in store! Even if we are safely able to host you in Boston in-person, there will be a virtual platform for remote attendees to connect, network, and earn CE no matter where you are in the world. The AAPD Meetings Department has been hard at work since NashVirtual last year, researching and vetting various platforms to be sure that we provide our members with the most innovative and immersive virtual meeting around.

No matter where you are in the world, whether you’re in-person in Boston, or in the comfort of your home, you will be able to connect with one another in the same digital space. We are so excited to bring you The Hub! The Hub will serve as the virtual platform that will host AAPD 2021. Here you will find our Keynote & Opening Ceremony, Scientific Program, Exhibit Hall, networking and more! A little fun fact: Boston was dubbed “The Hub” by author Oliver Wendell Holmes in 1858. Holmes felt that Boston was truly the center of many things happening in the world at that time, so it stuck and the nickname is now used throughout the city.

Despite how times have changed over the past year, one thing remains true: the AAPD continues to be a resource for their members, personally and professionally. This is the time to rely on one another and recognize what an outstanding membership we have. AAPD leadership and staff are proud to represent our members and the great work they have done and continue to do during this difficult time.

We hope that you will join us for an unforgettable weekend, no matter where you are joining us from! This weekend will be packed with world-renowned speakers, an interactive Exhibit Hall and networking opportunities, plus a few fun surprises along the way. Please take some time to read the following pages to see what education we have in store for you.

See you in The Hub!
Research, Poster Presentations & Awards

Poster Research Competition
My Kid’s Dentist and Orthodontics Poster Research Competition is available in The Hub virtually. Different topics are presented each hour. Stop by to virtually meet the authors and discuss their presentations with them via the chat box!

Graduate Student Research Awards (GSRA) and Research Fellowship Awards
The eight GSRA award recipients and the three award recipients present their research and answer questions virtually in The Hub.

General Assembly and Awards Recognition
The AAPD recognizes well-deserved recipients at an awards ceremony created to honor these recipients. Join your colleagues to honor the important research initiatives that have been conducted over the past year.

The following award presentations will be recognized and announced: the recipient of the Ralph E. McDonald Award sponsored by the Indiana Pediatric Dental Alumni Association, the Paul P. Taylor award sponsored by the Baylor Pediatric Dentistry Alumni Fund, the Research Fellowship Award, and the 2021 AAPD Research Poster Competition winners.

Make plans to attend the General Assembly as a member of the AAPD to learn what your Academy is doing for you and how it may affect your practice. Vote on important initiatives and find ways to get more involved in your Academy.

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Scientific Program

All speakers have committed to delivering their topics virtually, even if AAPD 2021 is not in-person. The Scientific Program Committee believes in providing robust and diverse CE to the AAPD membership and was careful to select speakers who would be able to provide their talks in either format.

Joint Academic Day

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Join your colleagues for the annual Joint Academic Day.

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Preconference Course

Pediatric Medicine Update

This full day course will provide the pediatric dentist an update on a wide variety of areas of pediatric medicine. Each lecture will provide a medical review of the more common disorders and diseases the pediatric dentist might encounter in clinical practice, followed by a discussion of the latest advances in management. For some of the topics there will be a specific emphasis on dental management. The lecture format followed by questions and answers affords participants an opportunity for dialogue between the lecturer and the audience.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

• Provide a review of the pathophysiology of pediatric disorders and diseases the pediatric dentist is likely to encounter in clinical practice.
• Provide an update of the state of the art and science of the medical management of these disorders.
• Discuss the impact and significance of these pediatric disorders and diseases and their management to clinical pediatric dentistry with input from the audience during the question and answer period.
• Have a better understanding of the current management of a wide variety of pediatric conditions, including those conditions resulting from COVID-19, and how it may relate to their clinical practice of pediatric dentistry.

Behavior Management

Early Career Dentist Course: “Purposeful Movements”, Efficiencies and Tips for Oral Rehabilitation under GA


String of Pearls: Use of Mindfulness Techniques for Behavior Management of Anxious Children

Nidhi Hiteshi, D.D.S., M.S.D.

A positive experience at the dentist as a child helps develop a healthy and stress-free adult patient. This unique course offers tips for the dentists to incorporate the principles of mindfulness in treating an anxious patient.

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Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

170. Structural Racism and Child Health: How Pediatric Providers Can Address and Ameliorate the Effects of Racism on Children and Adolescents

Anupama Tate D.M.D., M.P.H.; Nita Mosby Tyler, Ph.D.; Jeffrey Karp, D.M.D., M.S.; Nia Heard-Garris, M.D., M.Sc., F.A.A.P.

The American Academy Pediatrics (AAP) Section on Oral Health Session is designed for all AAPD attendees. This session will address three aspects of structural racism and their contributions to negative child and adult health outcomes. The session will also explore root causes and other factors contributing to racial/ethnic child health disparities in the context of current trends in infant care practices and adolescent development, and identify ways in which policies support closure of these gaps. The session will promote interprofessional advocacy for children and families and boost communication skills and confidence for pediatric providers and other medical and dental professional team members when addressing the effects of racism on children and adolescents. There will be adequate opportunity for audience discussion. All AAPD attendees are invited to the session.
Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Recognize three policy approaches to address and ameliorate the effects of racism on children and adolescents supported by the AAP.
- Apply techniques that can be used in the dental office to discuss and counsel families of all races on the effects of exposure to racism as victims, bystanders, and perpetrators.
- Deconstruct the complexity of “equity,” and learn fascinating facts and insights that will help medical and dental providers shift from learning and exploring to doing

Anupama Rao Tate is an associate professor of pediatrics at the George Washington University School of Medicine. She is a faculty member in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry in the Goldberg Center for Community Pediatric Health at Children’s National Medical Center. She serves as the director of Advocacy and Research. She is director of the District of Columbia Pediatric Oral Health Coalition. She is a trustee and chairs the Grants and Programs Committee of Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children. She chairs the Consumer Review Committee of the AAPD. Currently she is the past president of the D.C. Chapter of the AAPD. She received her D.M.D. from Harvard School of Dental Medicine and her M.P.H. from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She received her certificate in pediatric dentistry from Children’s National Medical Center. She is involved in teaching, clinical practice, research and holds grants in community advocacy.

Nita Mosby Tyler is the chief catalyst and founder of The Equity Project, LLC – an organization designed to support organizations and communities in building diversity, equity and inclusion strategies and The HR Shop, LLC – a human resources firm designed to support non-profits and small businesses. She is the former senior vice president and chief inclusion officer for Children’s Hospital Colorado – the first African American woman to hold that position in the organizations 100+ year history.

She is also the former executive director of the Office of Human Resources for the City and County of Denver – the first African American woman to hold that position in the 63+ year history of the agency. Mosby Tyler, a consultant accredited by the Georgetown University National Center for Cultural Competence and recipient of the Cornell University Diversity & Inclusion certification, is nationally recognized for her equity work with non-profit, community, government and corporate organizations.

Tyler holds a doctorate in the field of Organizational Leadership from the University of Colorado, a Master of Arts degree in Management from Webster University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from the University of Alabama.

Jeff Karp is a board certified pediatric dentist and residency program director at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, Minneapolis, Minn. Karp is a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars fellow and an executive committee member for the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Oral Health.

Nia Heard-Garris is a pediatrician and a physician-investigator at the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago and in the Department of Pediatrics at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. She examines the influence of social adversities experienced in childhood and subsequent child and adolescent health. Heard-Garris is also interested in the factors that contribute to a child’s ability to thrive despite these experiences. In August 2019, she received her career development award (K01), which is funded by the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute and with this award she plans to investigate adolescent cardiometabolic health. She believes in using research to better inform clinical practice and policy that supports children, their families, and their communities. Heard-Garris is also an active member in the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and serves as the Chair and founding member of the Section of Minority Health, Equity, and Inclusion. Heard-Garris completed a prestigious Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars Fellowship at the University of Michigan. She earned her Master of Science in Health and Healthcare Research. She received her Doctor of Medicine (MD) from Howard University College of Medicine and helped to launch the student-run free clinic serving D.C. residents. Heard-Garris earned her Bachelor of Science in biology at Spelman College in Atlanta, Ga. Heard-Garris has had numerous media appearances, including CNN/Sesame Street, NPR, NBC, and numerous others. Heard-Garris, her husband, and 7-year old son live in Chicago and as new Chicagoans they better understand the phrase “winter is coming.”

180. Addressing Systemic Racism and Its Impact in Dentistry and Building the Right Treatment Plan


Systemic racism has woven its way into every fabric of our lives, including dental education and research, the oral healthcare delivered to patients of color, and the experience of Black dentists in our profession. Just as we do in pediatric dentistry when a child presents with early childhood caries, we do a complete assessment and provide education to the parents before we treat. Now is the time to approach systemic racism as the disease it is and build a treatment plan together as colleagues united who want to do what they can do to be better providers for their Black patient families. This session will reveal what we can all do together to enhance diversity and inclusion in our profession. Specifically, this course will elicit real, practical and actionable solutions. Together we can improve the delivery of oral health care to all children and support all our members of our pediatric dentistry team to feel equal, worthy, heard, and equipped to thrive as pediatric dental providers.

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Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Ensure all participants get a brief historical survey on U.S. systemic racism, its complicated legacy, and its relationship with pediatric dentistry.
- Explore how racism and bias may influence direct patient care through case studies.
- The experiences of pediatric dentists of color who are part of the underrepresented minority groups in our profession. Hearing their stories is the first step in understanding the problems to better navigate what and where change needs to take place.
- Inspire a series of educational sessions that will ultimately lead to an organized action plan against systemic racism in dentistry.

**Edmond R. Hewlett** is professor and associate dean for Outreach and Diversity at the UCLA School of Dentistry. A Los Angeles native, Hewlett was a UCLA undergrad from 1972 to 1976, received his D.D.S. degree from the UCLA in 1980, and completed a General Practice Residency program at the University of Illinois, Chicago, in 1981. He practiced as an associate and taught part-time at UCLA for six years before accepting a full-time faculty position at UCLA in 1987, and he completed postgraduate training in Prosthodontics at UCLA in 2003. Hewlett’s bibliography includes numerous scientific articles and abstracts in peer-reviewed journals and two book chapters. He also serves as a consultant to the FDA and Consumer Advisor for the ADA. He has presented over 300 invited lectures and courses on adhesive restorative dentistry materials and techniques both nationally and internationally, and has earned numerous awards for his teaching.

**Laila B. Hishaw** is a board-certified pediatric dentist, author, and mentor. She earned her dental degree with honors in pediatric dentistry from the UMKC School of Dentistry in 2000 and completed her pediatric dental residency at the University of Texas Health Science Center—San Antonio. Net proceeds from her Amazon best-seller, “Cavity-Free Kids: How to Care For Your Kids’ Teeth From Birth Through Their Teenage Years”, supports Diversity in Dentistry Mentorships, Inc. She founded this non-profit to educate and empower underrepresented minority youth and pre-dental students to explore dentistry as a profession through mentoring. Hishaw is a member of the Class of 2020-2021 American Dental Association Institute for Diversity in Leadership. She lectures nationally on pediatric dentistry, diversity in dentistry, addressing topics of racial, ethnic, and cultural disparities in health care, burnout prevention, and topics relevant to women in dentistry. To learn more, please visit her website www.drlailahishaw.com.

Hishaw is an owner of Tucson Smiles Pediatric Dentistry, voted as the Arizona Daily Star’s Readers’ Choice for Best Pediatric Dentist. Hishaw, her husband, and their three children live in Tucson, Ariz., with their rescues, Miles and Stormie.

**Paula L. Coates** is a past executive director of the Institute for Oral Health, Inge has championed efforts to publicize innovative solutions to many of the current challenges to improving oral health. The mission of the Institute for Oral Health was to advance oral health care by identifying effective and efficient guidelines for treatment, access, and delivery of health care, and to promote best practices by serving as a central resource for shared practical knowledge and collaboration to benefit the dental profession and the public. Inge is also a member of the Santa Fe Group, a unique group of internationally renowned scholars and leaders from business and the professions bound by a common interest to improve oral health.

Inge has over 15 years of private practice experience. He received his dental degree from the UCLA School of Dentistry. Inge received a B.A. degree in Human Biology from Stanford University.

**Ronald Inge** is currently the chief operations officer/chief dental officer/VP of Professional Services for Delta Dental Plan of Missouri. In this capacity, his responsibilities include all aspects of development and management of the dental operations department including claims and customer service. Inge is also responsible for the growth and development of the dental networks including clinical policies and procedures, quality management, and utilization review management.

Inge is an experienced senior level executive with exposure to all aspects of the dental industry. Acknowledged as an innovative thought leader in the dental benefits industry. As chief dental officer, he led the initial data analysis at Aetna that launched medical/dental integration. Inge served as the associate director for the Division of Dental Practice at the American Dental Association. Inge has served as the VP of Professional Services and chief dental officer for Delta Dental of Washington. As the
Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- List the characteristics of an esthetic smile in our adolescent patients.
- Demonstrate the use of these characteristics in our day to day practice to complete peg lateral practice and diastema closure procedures.
- Judge the esthetics of completed orthodontic cases as they relate to the “Social Six Esthetic Formula”.

Early Interceptive Treatment of Palatal Displaced Canines

Have you ever had that sick feeling after seeing a panorex showing root resorption of a lateral incisor from a wayward maxillary canine! This real life presentation will address normal development, prognosis, risk management, and early prevention of palattally displaced canines. You can expect clear, no nonsense guidelines with clinical decisions based on science. You don’t want to miss this one.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- List six problems associated with ectopic and palatal displaced canines.
- List four factors to consider when initiating early interceptive treatment for palatal displace canines.
- Define the reasons whether it’s best to extract a single primary canine or both the primary canine and first molar.

Love God and love people” is the motto that Jaha Howard strives to live by. As the owner and board certified pediatric dentist of A+ Pediatric Dentistry of Atlanta, he and his incredible team have worked with families of all backgrounds to achieve excellent dental health for over 10 years. In 2013, he founded Wave of Excellence, now a network of about 4,000 parents dedicated to strengthening public schools in Smyrna, Ga. Elected to the Cobb County Board of Education in 2018, Howard serves a school district of over 110,000 students in the Atlanta metro area. He lives with his wife of 12 years and their three children. They worship at Renaissance Church of Christ where Howard serves as a church deacon and bible teacher for young adults. A proud two-time graduate of Howard University, he then completed his residency at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Ultimately Howard strives to help others make room in their lives to promote compassion, justice and equity.

Growth & Development

240. Speed Learning: Back to Basics

John Taylor, D.M.D., P.C.
Dentofacial Esthetics in Pediatric Patients

We are always looking for the best for our patients and smile esthetics is no exception. It is important to know what constitutes the characteristics of an esthetic smile and ways to achieve this in our adolescent patients. These parameters will be discussed along with highlighted case studies of diastema closures, peg lateral restorations and altered passive eruption cases especially as they relate to finishing orthodontic cases. A Social Six Esthetic Formula will be presented as a way to encapsulate these esthetic ideals.

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Learning Lab: Breathe Well, Little One: Pediatric Airway from Cradle to Commencement

Susan Maples, D.D.S., M.S.B.A.

Approximately 25 percent of adults have sleep-related breathing disorders such as UARS and OSA and they are mostly preventable. Learn to recognize risk factors and the progress to improve a child’s health trajectory. Bring your team and leave with new inspiration for a pediatric airway practice.


Navreet Sidhu, D.D.S.

Nutrition information is an important element of the initial patient encounter, especially at the age one dental visit. Since Pediatric dentists are the experts of the oral cavity/development it is imperative that we have a good understanding of how oral motor development impacts the acquisition of feeding skills in infants.

Learning Lab: Let’s Talk About Teenagers and Risk Behaviors: Are You Ready?

Edna Perez, D.M.D.

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Today’s children are growing up in a dramatically different environment than their parents did. Screens are in virtually every public and private space, they are in our pockets and on our wrists. The Covid-19 pandemic has accelerated and amplified our trend toward using digital devices in all of life’s activities - learning and working, connecting and socializing, entertainment and play. By reframing media as an environmental influence and recognizing positive and negative outcomes from using screens, we can learn to live and thrive with the screens of our lives.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

• Reframe media effects on children as an environmental health issue.
• Identify both positive and negative influences of media use and exposure on children’s development and physical, mental and social health.
• Recognition and treatment of Problematic Interactive Media Use (PIMU) aka internet addiction.

Michael Rich, M.D., M.P.H.

Michael Rich is associate professor of Pediatrics at Harvard Medical School, associate professor of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and practices Adolescent Medicine at Boston Children’s Hospital, where he heads the Clinic for Interactive Media and Internet Disorders (CIMAID). A former screenwriter and filmmaker who served as assistant director to Akira Kurosawa in Japan, Rich is the Founder and Director of the Center on Media and Child Health (CMCH) as well as a researcher, father, and media aficionado. At Ask the Mediatrician®, Rich offers research-based answers to questions from parents, teachers, clinicians, and children about media use and implications for young people’s health and development.

260. Nutrition Update for the Dental Team

Tieraona Low Dog, M.D.

A robust body of evidence now links dietary patterns, specific micronutrients, and oral health; however, many dental professionals feel inadequately prepared to effectively counsel patients about nutrition or identify oral manifestations of micronutrient deficiencies. This up-to-date, fast-paced session will explore how macronutrients, micronutrients, glycemic index/load, dietary patterns, and sugar substitutes impact oral and overall health.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

• Describe the role of macronutrients in oral/overall health and disease risk.
• Discuss the state of scientific evidence for various dietary patterns and their impact on health.
• Identify key laboratory tests to assist the dental team in the management of patient’s oral health.

Tieraona Low Dog is a physician, author, educator, and thought leader in integrative medicine. She is one of the foremost experts in the United States on the safe and appropriate use of botanical remedies and dietary supplements. She is a founding member of the American Board of Integrative Medicine and the Academy for Women’s Health. Over her 40-year career, Low Dog has published 50 research articles in medical/science journals, written 20 chapters for medical textbooks, and authored five books, including four with National Geographic; Fortify Your Life, Healthy at Home, Life is Your Best Medicine, and Guide to Medicinal Herbs.

For the past twenty years, Low Dog has overseen the evaluation panel for supplement and botanical safety at the United States Pharmacopeia, including joint reviews with the Department of Defense. President Bill Clinton, the National Cancer Institute, HRSA’s Bright Futures, and the National Center for Complementary and Integrative Medicine were just a few to appoint her to their advisory councils. Her background in herbal medicine, midwifery, massage, and martial arts, made her a natural choice to lead the Fellowship program at the University of Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine, where she oversaw the training of more than 700 physicians and nurse practitioners.

Highly sought as a consultant to industry, Low Dog has helped many companies craft safe, innovative, and effective products in the natural products space. She has been invited to speak at more than 600 conferences, reaching more than 50,000 people every year with her message of healthy nutrition and supplement use, holistic women’s health, integrative medicine, and deep ecology.

Learning Lab: Simple Yoga Stretches & Mindfulness Breathing To Reduce Stress & Musculo-Skeletal Problems

Bhagwati Mistry, D.D.S., M.D.S., 500Hrs. Cert.Yoga

Experience and explore evidence based Breath-Body-Mind Integrated yogic breathing techniques, posture alignments, simple yoga stretches and movements and rhythmic mindfulness breathing to help reduce stress, enhance focus and concentration, increase resilience to burnout, skillfully balance work-life related challenges, improve posture, increase strength and flexibility and reduce or prevent musculo-skeletal problems.

Stay Safe, Stay Well: Managing Occupational Hazards in a Post-COVID World

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Pediatric dental professionals must take care of themselves to be ready to care for their patients. Join the Safety Committee in a fast-paced program of practical tools and research-backed information to help you and your team manage a
broad range of occupational risks, from infectious hazards and allergic reactions to hearing loss and musculoskeletal complications. Special attention will be given to such COVID-related concerns as spatter and aerosols, increased exposure to surface disinfectants, chronic hypoxia from N-95 masks, and more. Members will leave the program equipped to take on current and future safety challenges with a risk-assessment checklist and a cornucopia of information.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Evaluate the occupational risks within their particular dental practices.
- Identify which new occupational hazards in post-COVID dentistry pose the greatest risks.
- Know what they can do today – and tomorrow – to manage occupational risks with effectiveness and efficiency.

**Oral Medicine**

**100. Pharmacology and Pain Control**

*Karen Baker, B.S.Pharm, M.S.*

The Opioid Crisis has fundamentally changed how we manage pain in children. Pediatric Dentists face escalating challenges in patient as well as drug therapy complexity. We will examine the wide array of alternative and traditional analgesics along with new ways of combining agents to enhance patient tolerance and efficacy. Strategies for educating and informing patients and parents about the risks and benefits of CBD, kratom, THC, NSAIDs, APAP, and Opioids will be discussed. Tools that enhance patient compliance and safety will be provided along with details about drug interactions important in dental pain control.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Discuss the FDA warning against prescribing codeine and tramadol for children under 12 years of age.
- Compare and contrast the AAPD position on pediatric pain control with that of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

- List the most effective pediatric dosage regimens for NSAIDs, acetaminophen, hydroxyzine, and hydrocodone.

*Karen Baker* has been on the Dental College faculty at the University of Iowa for 40 years and occupies a unique role in dental practice and education. She is a clinical pharmacist with a Master’s degree in clinical pharmacology and therapeutics and is focused on patient-specific dental drug therapy. She has given over 1000 invited programs nationally and internationally and holds memberships in many dental and clinical pharmacology and therapeutics organizations. Her dental education-based pharmacy and drug therapy consultation center is the only one in the United States. She has authored more than 50 articles and abstracts and lectures extensively in pre-doctoral and graduate courses at the University of Iowa.

**Oral Pathology**

**Learning Lab: Tooth Agenesis and Future Risk for Neoplasia: How to Discuss Anticipatory Guidance**

*Kimberly K. Patterson D.D.S., M.S.*

Congenitally missing teeth often present challenges in dental treatment planning, necessitating interdisciplinary care. There is growing evidence associating congenitally missing teeth with risk of neoplasia. This predictive potential adds to the anticipatory guidance for patients and caregivers regarding future implications for systemic health and early screenings for neoplasms.

**MiniClinics: The Diagnostic Challenge in Pediatric Dentistry Part VII**

*Juan Yepes, D.D.S., M.D., M.P.H., M.S. Dr.PH*

This presentation will have three interesting patients that will bring a challenge for the practitioner. The format of the presentation will allow the audience to understand the importance of building a differential diagnosis and the implication in terms of treatment.

**Orthodontics**

**MiniClinics: Pediatric Orthodontics and Sleep Apnea: Which is Right and Which is an Illusion?**

*Mitchell R. Levine, D.M.D., M.S.*

Review of the natural course of pediatric obstructive sleep apnea with attention to physiology of the pharyngeal airway. The nature of orthodontics, extractions and expansion of the dental arches.

**Other Areas of Pediatric Dentistry**

**200. Coffee Clutch**


Real-world scenarios we encounter every day in our offices will be presented and discussed in small groups. Spend time with your peers discussing key issues that come up in your office every day. This is a group effort, audience driven and fully interactive program for all team members!

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Understand how other offices handle similar issues.
- Share in the participation of challenges your office may have encountered.
- Support and network with difficult patients and parents.
Evidence-Based Dentistry Workshop

Peter H. Buschang, Ph.D., James Coll, M.D.

Following an introduction to evidence-based dentistry, the attendees will learn how to use the Evidence Based Hierarchy to classify studies based on their designs. They will then be familiarized with the Cochran reviews and Centre for Evidence Based Dentistry, important resources that clinicians use to stay informed. Basic elements of PubMed will then be introduced and applied to provide the attendees with the computer skills necessary to perform literature searches. In order to facilitate the literature searches, the attendees will learn how to develop questions using the PICO (population, intervention, comparator and outcomes) format. Finally, basic and practical information pertaining to research methodology will be introduced – along with a specially designed checklist – and later used by the attendees to critically evaluate and rank published research studies according to the strength of evidence they provide and learn how Clinical Practice Guidelines of the AAPD are created from evidenced based research.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

• Understand why an evidence-based approach is necessary.
• Be able to develop research questions and perform literature searches on the internet.
• Use evidence-based methods to evaluate the scientific literature and use critical appraisal skills to scrutinize and assign articles to different levels of evidence.

Peter Buschang is regents professor of orthodontics and director of orthodontic research at Baylor College of Dentistry. He received his Ph.D. in from the University of Texas at Austin in 1980. From 1980-1983, he was a NIDR postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Orthodontics, University of Connecticut Health Science Center. From 1983-1988, he was a FRSQ scholar in the orthodontic section and Human Growth Research Center, University of Montreal. He regularly reviews articles for numerous journals and has served as associate editor for several journals (currently Angle Orthodontist). Buschang has published over 300 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters focusing on craniofacial growth, developmental adaptations associated with treatments and oral-motor function. He is director of the graduate core course entitled “Research Design and Methodology.”

James Coll is a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and has been in private practice for 39 years. He has published numerous articles on primary tooth pulp therapy, and is a member of the editorial board and section editor for pulp therapy for Pediatric Dentistry. He is the first author of AAPD’s first-ever evidence-based dentistry systematic review: Systematic review and meta-analysis of vital pulp therapy for children with deep caries in the primary dentition.

Learning Lab: Let’s Make the Best Mouthguard for Your Athlete Patients

Stephen C. Mills, D.D.S.

This workshop will present a demonstration of the fabrication of a heat pressure laminated mouthguard. Examples of different styles of mouthguards will be demonstrated to attendees. The lecture component will focus on different needs for various athletes and different designs for different ages and different athletic activities.

Pediatric Medicine

120. Immune Health in the Era of Pandemics

Tieraona Low Dog, M.D.

The immune system is perfectly designed to help protect our bodies from infections, both minor and potentially life-threatening. We have witnessed the devastating effects SARS-CoV2 has had on our health, physically and psychologically; our economy, and our businesses. There are numerous practices and habits that can support the immune system, as well as those that can impair its ability to function at its best. This highly relevant and engaging lecture will help provide the dental team with the facts they need to know to keep their patients and staff safe.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

• Describe the function of the innate and adaptive immune system.
• Discuss past pandemics, infectious disease, and the role of public health initiatives.
• Identify key micronutrients that are necessary for optimal immune function.

Learning Lab: Human Trafficking and the Dental Profession

John P. Kenney, D.D.S., M.S.

Human trafficking is a multifaceted problem in society today. As pediatric health professionals we need to be aware of the signs and actions to take when we suspect this in our practice or community. Not only sex trafficking but domestic service, hotels, restaurants sweatshops, beauty services and factories are venues.

MiniClinics: Lessons Learned from the Pandemic

Flavia Lamberghini, D.D.S., M.S., M.P.H., F.A.A.P.D.

COVID-19 diagnosis, transmission, and epidemiology of the disease. It also discusses the protective mechanisms available in dentistry.

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Diagnosis coding use in dentistry has been talked about for several years. Its regular use remains elusive, but there is a growing number of dentists providing this information regularly when submitting claims.

Medical plans and clinicians have obtained and used diagnostic codes for approximately 20 years. They have helped plans develop guidelines and have become a critical element in research to determine best practices, preferred outcomes, decision support tools and efficient purchasing.

We will discuss the challenges and opportunities for dental plan use of diagnostic coding. Diagnostic coding has the potential for significant impact on the direction, type, and availability of dental care as well as future plan design and payment mechanisms. Development of tools and techniques for obtaining broader use of diagnostic codes for billing medical plans for your patient’s treatment.

Today’s pediatric practice relies upon a wide variety of codes for reimbursement. This session will update you on recent coding additions as well as preview what is to come for 2022. We’ll round it out by tackling top pediatric coding FAQs!

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Understand the real meaning of certain phrases common to many dental benefit contracts.
- Describe the language common to many EOBs and prepared to write letters of appeals to advocate on behalf of your patients.
- Know which resources are available through the ADA and AAPD and how proactively using them can safeguard your practice.
- Discover the tips to finding the highest level of diagnostic reasons for billing with a diagnostic code and how to back up that code with information on why this patient has medical necessity.
- The information needed to document medical necessity.
- Learn how to find the correct diagnostic codes under the topic is key to payment.

Christine Taxin is founder and president of Links 2 Success & Dental Medical Billing that covers all dental and medical billing training. Christine delivers continuing education seminars for dental and medical professionals and serves as an adjunct professor at the New York University (NYU) Dental School Resident Programs for New York City Programs, Harvard, and other dental schools across the country. Taxin has been awarded “Leader in Consulting” for the past eight years in Dentistry Today’s list. Christine is on the board of Stem Cell Collection, the board of certification for 3D Scans and Fellowship with the AIDA. The AGD has approved her company Links 2 Success as a national provider of PACE continuing education credits. Taxin’s workbooks “Introduction to Medical Billing”, “Introduction to CT Scan Billing” and “Oral Surgery and Implant Surgery” have been received by many as the go to workbook for training. In 2020 she will be able to offer certification tests thru Q’Pro. The test is administered by the AMA and the courses are from the manuals that are on our websites.

Teresa Duncan addresses topics such as insurance coding and office manager training. Her memberships include the National Speakers Association and the National Association of Dental Plans. She has been named one of the Top 25 Women in Dentistry and is the author of Moving Your Patients to Yes: Easy Insurance Conversations as well as a contributing author to the ADA’s annual CDT Companion Guides. Her podcast “Nobody Told Me That!” provides regular coding and management updates. Teresa received her master’s degree in health care management.

Dennis McHugh is the manager of third party payer advocacy for the American Dental Association and works in the Practice Institute’s Center for Dental Benefits, Coding and Quality (CDBCQ). CDBCQ is the ADA agency responsible for promoting resources and information on dental benefit plans to employers and member dentists. In addition, CDBCQ responds to requests and helps resolve problems from member dentists regarding concerns and questions with the CDT Code. He has been with the ADA for 20 years and prior to that spent seven years working for the American Association of Orthodontists.

McHugh graduated from Southeast Missouri State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and an Associate of Applied Science in Computer Science.

An important business decision any dentist makes is whether or not to sign a PPO agreement. There are many considerations a dentist should take into account before signing. This presentation will discuss common contractual clauses within third-party payer contracts and their potential financial implications on a dental practice. These include most favored nation, affiliate carrier, recoupment clauses and more. In addition, dentists will receive information on what questions to ask before signing an agreement and how to receive assistance. The ADA and AAPD have resources available to help.

Learning Lab: Fatten Up Your Patient Base and Skinny Down Your Kids

Susan Maples, D.D.S., M.S.B.A.

Addressing the losing battle against caries, childhood obesity, diabetes, and heart disease. Inspire your team and patients to make lasting behavior changes that affect their oral and systemic health with Hands-On Learning Lab™ and its benefits as a valuable referral tool that will make yours a practice of distinction.
Learning Lab: An Overview of Medicaid: History, Advocacy, and Opportunity  
*Colleen Greene, D.M.D., M.P.H.*  
A large percentage of Americans are covered through Medicaid which is a unique federal-state partnership health insurance program. Dentist participation in the program is limited for a variety of reasons, many of which can be changed. Through persistent advocacy, dentists can influence Medicaid reform in their states.

Learning Lab: Are the Pediatricians Referring to You?  
*Craig Hollander, D.D.S.*  
A discussion of time-tested methods to increase referrals into your office by pediatricians and general dentists and help increase your visibility within your professional community.

Learning Lab: Embracing You: Social Marketing your Dental Practice in a Post-Facebook World  
*Scott Childress*  
Fifteen years after the first Facebook post, it’s time for dentists to stop marketing to people, and begin communicating with them. We’ll look at how using new channels, along with an openness to display your unique “practice personality” is the key to social media marketing success.

Learning Lab: Navigating Negotiations with Private Equity for the Sale of Your Practice  
*Jason Turner, M.B.A., D.M.D.*  
Present real life case study for practice acquisition proposal from Dental Service Organization. I will provide a thorough presentation of the practice sale contract, employment contract and building lease contract. Legal, practical, financial and non-financial considerations of each contract will be presented.

Learning Lab: From Dentist to CEO: The Importance of Your Professional Development  
*Malika Azargoon*  
Leading a practice goes beyond what they teach you in dental school. This presentation has tips and tricks for both new and established doctors and practices to continuously improve and perform at an even higher level.

Learning Lab: Essential Insurance, Investment, and Planning Strategies for Pediatric Dentists  
*Shawn Johnson, ChFC, CLU, CLTC*  
Identify personal and business insurance policies important to risk management protection. Discuss investment risk tolerance and its role in portfolio design as well as qualified and non-qualified investment accounts available to create wealth. Understand the importance of setting goals, implementing strategies, and following a well-designed plan to reach financial independence.

MiniClinics: Conducting Effective Performance Reviews  
*Aaron Stump, D.D.S.*  
Motivating and empowering your team is one of the most important practice management skills. One of the key ways to do this is by conducting effective performance reviews. Stump will share an effective, systematic, and structured approach to performance reviews.

MiniClinics: Marketing Metrics | How Does Your Office Stand Up?  
*Jarod Johnson, D.D.S.*  
Marketing a pediatric dental office in today’s environment is challenging. Many avenues exist that practices can utilize to reach clients. Determining the right plan to attract and retain patients must be soundly based in data analytics. This session will review average cost per acquisition and discuss marketing strategies.

Early Career Dentist Course: Debt Management Strategies  
*Chris Sands*  
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Early Career Dentist Course: Providing Outstanding Customer Service  
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String of Pearls: Pediatric Dental Practice Compliance Considerations  
*Lisa Shilman, D.D.S., F.A.A.P.D.*  
Our presentation would offer providers actionable and practical advice on how to assess and implement a compliance program for their practice, regardless of size, to help keep patients and employees safe, and the practice in compliance with various regulatory bodies.
String of Pearls: Key Digital Marketing Strategies in a “Post-Covid” World

Scott Childress

From website functionality, to social media messaging, and a coming-of-age for online reviews, we'll look at important ways your online presence needs to adapt to meet the needs and expectations of parents in the age of “the new normal.”

Preventive

150. Rethinking ECC in the Era of Precision Medicine: Novel Clinical Insights Gained from Human Genome, Oral Microbiome, and Machine Learning Applications

Kimon Divaris, D.D.S., Ph.D.

Do you want to know the four elements that are changing our understanding of ECC? New knowledge from clinical studies, ‘omics, and machine learning bring inevitable paradigm shifts in our appreciation of children's oral health and disease. Translating these new big data into simple yet precise algorithms is both the greatest challenge and the greatest opportunity. By attending this seminar, participants will become familiar with fundamental concepts, latest research, and integrative clinical, ‘omics, and machine learning applications, aiming to better classify, predict, and manage ECC.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

• Reflect on the strengths and limitations of the current case definition of ECC and appreciate the value of embracing a precise clinical disease classification system.

• Understand the relevance and specific contributions of emerging ‘omics information (e.g., human genome, oral microbiome, and metabolome) for the diagnosis, classification, and management of ECC.

• Prepare for the advent of machine learning and other informatics applications that leverage clinical, behavioral, epidemiologic, and integrated ‘omics information to inform clinical decision-making for the oral health care of children.

Kimon Divaris is associate professor in the Division of Pediatric and Public Health and the Department of Epidemiology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A board-certified pediatric dentist, he is actively involved in teaching at all levels, clinical practice and research. He is an oral and genetic epidemiologist, with a research focus lying in the intersection of clinical, biological, and public health research for precision pediatric oral health applications. His NIH-funded research program includes genomics studies of early childhood caries, the oral microbiome, and integrative clinical and omics investigations. He has received several major awards and has had substantial scholarly and editorial activity. Currently, he studies the interplay between biological (i.e., multi-omics), behavioral, environmental and social determinants of early childhood caries in the context of a large, multi-ethnic, community-based cohort of preschool-age children in North Carolina.

Early Career Dentist Course: Chairside Space Maintenance

E. LaRee Johnson, D.D.S., M.S.
Sponsored by Elevate Oral Care

Early Career Dentist Course: Third Molar Update

Daniel Hammer, D.D.S.
Sponsored by Elevate Oral Care

String of Pearls: Optimizing Outcomes: How and When to Make the Difficult Decision to Extract Permanent Molars

David M. Avenetti, D.D.S., M.S.D., M.P.H.

First permanent molars affected by caries, Molar Incisor Hypomineralization, and other pathologies present clinicians with the difficult decision to restore or extract teeth with guarded prognoses. This presentation will review clinical cases and describe protocols for timing balancing and compensating extractions (opposing and contralateral molars) to achieve favorable outcomes.

String of Pearls: Fantastic Firsts: Making the Most of the First Visit with Oral Health and Wellness

Lavanya Venkateswaran, D.D.S.

The first visit for patients at your office provides a unique opportunity to connect with parents and understand the family's oral health attitudes and lifestyle. This presentation highlights key points to maximize preventive oral health and make oral wellness a priority in their child's life.

String of Pearls: Applications of the Intraoral Scanners for the Pediatric Patients

Fouad Salama, D.D.S.

Intraoral scanners (IOS) are devices for capturing direct optical impressions into 3D surface models are the result of the optical impression. Images captured by IOS are found to be more effective in promoting treatments for children by parents because of their clarity in representation of caries and other issues.
String of Pearls: Saving Lives: Educating Parents about HPV Vaccination

Daniel Hammer, D.D.S.

Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) is associated with Oral and Oropharyngeal Cancers (OOPC) and a vaccine has been available since 2006. However, the incidence continues to rise. To correct this trend, we will arm you with data to discuss the topic with parents and possibly save a child’s life.

Restorative

250. Bioactive Materials

Gerard Kugel, D.M.D., M.S., Ph.D.

Adhesives, Direct Restoratives and Bioactive Materials

There is a plethora of bonding agents, composites and cements on the market. This program reviews new materials and techniques in an effort to improve our treatment outcomes from prevention to restoration highlighting bioactive/biomimetic materials. We will review techniques and tools to enhance the long-term maintenance of your patients’ dentition and helping prevent the need for future restoration. Questions are arising as to the longevity and appropriateness of our current resin material systems and the new generation of bonding agents. Researchers have begun to develop advanced acid-base restorative alternatives to help with the limitations we see with our restorative and luting needs. We will discuss these new materials and how they can help us produce more long-lasting bioactive and protective restorations as well as improve our bonding results.

Topics covered include:

• Advantages & disadvantages of the different generations of bonding
• Self-etch and enamel bonds
• Avoiding post-operative sensitivity
• Research data
• Understand why resin bonded restorations and bonding systems are being questioned
• Bioactive materials - learn what they are and how they work

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

• Describe what bioactive dental materials are and their importance to patient care.
• Identify several causes of post-operative sensitivity.
• Compare different bonding systems and techniques to maximize clinical results based on scientific evidence.

Gerard Kugel is associate dean for Research and professor of Comprehensive Care at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine. With an expertise in Clinical Research and Esthetic Dentistry, he is a reviewer for The New England Journal of Medicine, JADA, The Journal of Esthetic and Restorative Dentistry, and the Clinicians Report. He is on the Editorial Board of The Journal of Cosmetic Dentistry, Compendium and Inside Dentistry, where his is Editor Emeritus. He is a Fellow in the Academy of General Dentistry and the Academy of Dental Materials. Kugel is on the Board of Directors of the CR Foundation and has his Ph.D. in Dental Materials and his Executive Certificate in Management and Leadership from the Sloan School of Management at MIT.

Kugel has published over 150 articles and over 300 abstracts in the field of restorative materials and techniques. He has given over 400 lectures both nationally and internationally. Kugel is part of a group practice, the Trinity Dental Center in Boston, Mass.

String of Pearls: SMITR (or SMART) with Biodentine

Juan Yepes. D.D.S., M.D., M.P.H., M.S., DrPH

This 15-minute presentation will review the SMITR (or SMART) technique within the frame of minimally invasive pediatric dentistry. The use of dentin substitute (Biodentine) will be included in the presentation.

String of Pearls: Predictable Results with Anterior Zirconia Crowns

Lawrence Yanover, D.D.S., PhD

A step-by-step guide to placement of anterior zirconia crowns from case selection to final cementation. This will include evidence based recommendations as well as suggestions based on many completed cases.

String of Pearls: CADCAM Utilization for the Pediatric Dentist

Jillian Seglem D.D.S.

CADCAM technology has come so far and is underutilized in Pediatric Dentistry. This presentation will explore how CADCAM technology can be implemented with the pediatric dental population.

String of Pearls: Chalky Teeth in Children: A View from Down Under

Mala Desai, B.D.Sc., M.D.Sc.

Developmental dental defects (D3) pose a significant challenge to clinicians worldwide. Clinical cases and experiences managing children with chalky teeth will be presented. Furthermore, a summary of recent research findings and valuable online resources from the “Chalky Teeth Campaign”, an initiative from D3 Group down under will be shared.

Sedation

310. Safe Sedation for Pediatric Dental Practices

Jason Maynes, Ph.D., M.D.

Patient sedation and analgesia are key components of many pediatric dental practices. In this interactive session, attendees will assess pharmacologic choices, routes of administration, and eligible patient evaluation. Safe sedation practices, including monitoring, will be viewed in the context of modern guidelines and legal decisions.
Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- To understand how sedative pharmaceuticals act in the body, including potential adverse effects.
- To learn and understand safe monitoring protocols for sedation in dental practice.
- To understand how to evaluate sedation risk by location, patient and pharmacology.

**Jason T. Maynes** is the holder of the Wasser Chair in Anesthesia and Pain Medicine and is the Director of Research for the Department of Anesthesia and Pain Medicine at the Hospital for Sick Children. He completed his graduate degree in Biophysics with doctoral and post-doctoral training at the University of Alberta, University of California Berkeley, Los Alamos National Weapons Lab and Washington University in St. Louis. His clinical training was completed at the University of Alberta, Stanford University and Washington University in St. Louis, moving from St. Louis to Toronto in 2012. His research primarily involves finding new ways to quantify drug action, both therapeutic and toxic, including how to improve the clinical effect of anesthetics and pain medications. His lab has developed new therapies for heart failure, modeling cardiac function using stem-cell derived tissue, and has created platform technologies that measure cardiomyocyte function for the purposes of drug discovery. He holds patents and intellectual property around new therapies for heart failure, novel methods for quantifying cardiomyocyte function and for anti-viral small molecule therapies. His lab is currently funded by the CIHR, NSERC, Canada Foundation for Innovation, The Ontario Research Fund and The Labatt Family Heart Center, in addition to funding from pharmaceutical and venture capital groups. He is a member of the CIHR College of Reviewers and is a member of the Scientific Boards for the Society for Pediatric Anesthesia and the Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists.

**Early Career Dentist Course: Oral Sedation Licensing & Safety for New Pediatric Dentists**

**Shari Kohn, D.D.S.**

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**String of Pearls: Peri-operative Considerations in Children Undergoing General Anesthesia**

**Sara Ahmed, D.M.D.**

This session will discuss clinical pearls and key considerations to maximize peri-operative safety in children undergoing general anesthesia for dental procedures with the following conditions: Down Syndrome, bleeding disorders, metabolic disorders, Muscular Dystrophy and William Syndrome.

**Special Health Care Needs**

**Learning Lab: Serving Special Needs Patients in a Dedicated Practice**

**Kyle Guerin, M.B.A.**

Sharing best practices and operational tips for running a practice that focuses on special needs patients.

**Tethered Oral Tissues**

**MiniClinics: Oh So Tied! – Collaborative Care for Best Outcomes and Prevention of Adverse Events**

**Rishita Jaju, D.M.D.**

Recently there has been a great increase in interest and awareness of infant frenectomy among pediatric dentists. This presentation will focus on collaborative care with allied health care providers such as LCs, SLPs, Pediatricians, PT or CST providers to provide comprehensive care and optimal sequence of steps for the best outcomes.

**MiniClinics: Real World Tongue and Lip-Tie Assessment and Treatment Strategies**

**Richard T. Baxter, D.M.D., M.S.**

It seems as if every parent recently is asking about tongue and lip-ties. This evidence-based and clinically-informed presentation will provide clarity to the real issues a restricted tongue can cause throughout the lifespan. A review of the literature, clinical cases, diagnostic criteria, assessment techniques, and treatment recommendations will be discussed.

**Learning Lab: Integrating Laser Dentistry into your Pediatric Care**

**Ben Curtis, D.D.S.**

A discussion on what an all tissue dental laser can be used for in a pediatric dental setting. Reviewing basic laser science and safety, identify common barriers with lasers, and identify ways to overcome those obstacles. Also focusing on how laser technology can be beneficial for patients and practitioners.

**Trauma**

**110. Trauma Guideline Update**

**Anne O’Connell, BABDentSc M.S.**

Traumatic dental injuries occur frequently in children and adolescents, and management following a traumatic dental injury can be difficult for the patient and the dental team. The International Association of Dental Traumatology (IADT) updated the guidelines on management of acute traumatic dental injuries in 2020. These revised guidelines are based on best available evidence and adherence to them are intended to maximize the probability of a favorable outcome following a dental injury. This presentation will review the updated guidelines, explain the rationale for, and refer to the evidence for statements and decisions made in this 2020 revision. Controversial areas will be addressed and discussed.
The structure of the guidelines and their use as reference will be explained. The goal is to update the clinician on the knowledge base on the emergency management of traumatic dental injuries and to demonstrate the format of the guidelines. Pediatric dentists have an important role to play in the appropriate management of the child patient who presents with a traumatic dental injury.

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Understand the structure of the guidelines.
- Be knowledgeable in the healing potential of oral tissue following injury.
- Understand the scientific rationale for the management of acute dental injury in primary and permanent dentitions.

Anne C. O’Connell is associate professor of pediatric dentistry at Trinity College Dublin. O’Connell trained in Paediatric Dentistry at Eastman Dental Center, N.Y., and also completed a degree in Cariology from the University of Rochester, New York. She held teaching positions in Eastman Dental Center and University of Maryland at Baltimore. Subsequently O’Connell was recruited to the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, Bethesda, where she continued in both clinical and basic science research and became director of the clinical research core at NIDCR, NIH. She returned to Ireland and was appointed senior lecturer/consultant in pediatric dentistry in 2000. O’Connell is the program director for pediatric dentistry and leads the trauma clinic. She has numerous peer-reviewed publications in both basic science and pediatric dentistry journals. Her areas of interest include cariology, pulp therapy, trauma, infant oral health and developmental defects of the dentition. She serves on the editorial boards as well as national and international scientific committees/organizations. O’Connell also maintains a private practice limited to pediatric dentistry in Sandycove, Co Dublin.

Learning Lab: Pediatric Dental Trauma

Kelly A. Kirtland, D.D.S., M.S., Nutrition, M.A. Educational Administration

Pediatric dental trauma will be presented with common pediatric soft tissue and dental trauma and recommended management techniques.

Various

130. GSRA Research Fellowship Awards

The GSRA award recipients will present their research and answer questions. The 2019-20 Research Award Recipients will also present their research.

270. International Oral Presentations PD, DT, S

Are you interested in what’s happening globally with pediatric dentistry? Attend this session and hear from experienced international pediatric dentists. Check the AAPD 2021 website in March for further topic and speaker details.

Newly Emerged: Pediatric Dental Conversations

AAPD Introduces A New Podcast for Residents & Early Career Dentists

Newly Emerged series is AAPD’s newest podcast that will launch at the end of January! This new series will include topics that will be specifically targeted to residents and early career dentists.

Join our host, Dr. Joel Berg, as he dives into topics such as:

- Debt management
- Loan repayment
- Associateship questions
- Negotiations
- Hiring & firing for the first time
- And more!

We will have residents guiding the content, topics, and guests to ensure the podcast is delivering exactly what you want to hear. AAPD also welcomes any and all ideas for episodes! Email coliva@aapd.org with any topics that you think would be of interest to residents and new dentists. Subscribe to Newly Emerged and listen to new episodes, released every fourth Tuesday of the month. Listen on aapd.org, Spotify, iTunes, Android, and Google Podcasts.

Don’t worry, Pedo Teeth Talk will still be releasing episodes on its normal schedule in order to provide members with quality content. Newly Emerged will be an additional podcast, focusing specifically on early career dentists, but anyone is welcome to listen!
General Information

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The AAPD must provide a competency survey for each session to remain compliant to CERP requirements in order to be able to offer self-study CE.

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AAPD plans to use tweets, facebook posts, Instagram posts/stories and email testimonials for future educational, news or promotional material, whether in print, electronic or other media, including the AAPD website. By using the hashtag #aapd2021 or by tagging AAPD in your post, you grant AAPD the right to use your name and post for such purposes.

Registration Information
Online registration for AAPD 2021 will open in early 2021. We will release additional information on the hosting platform and registration costs then as well. Please check annual.aapd.org for timely updates.

Exhibit Hall
Whether in-person or virtual, you will have opportunities to connect with our exhibitors and sponsoring companies. Be sure to maximize your time at AAPD 2021 and visit the exhibit hall to explore products and services geared toward you and your pediatric dental office. Visit the AAPD Store where you can pick up a souvenir from AAPD 2021! Spend some time in the AAPD Foundation’s Donor Lounge to learn more about the Access to Care Grants or simply to make a donation or increase your current pledge to the Foundation.

Visit the AAPD Store to see what prizes you are eligible to win in the exhibitor drawing. Be sure to check out the Poster Research Competition!

Sponsorship Opportunities
Wondering what kind of exposure your company can get at the AAPD Annual Session? Look no further. There are various opportunities still available to target your company’s goals and meet your budget!

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Resident’s Corner

Treating the Medically Complex Child

Looking at tomorrow’s schedule, you see you have Eric, an 11-year-old patient here for a recall. Curiously, you click on his Dentrix chart and see that he has Downs Syndrome, intellectual disability, hypothyroidism, asthma, an atrial septal defect and obstructive sleep apnea. What is your plan for tomorrow and how will you modify your care?

Treating medically complex children can be intimidating. It does require some additional preparation and planning on the end of the provider. Luckily, there are some strategies that can simplify the process.

One strategy is to make a “Patient List” the day before the appointment, detailing the patient’s medical history that was noted in the previous appointments. Completing this exercise allows the provider to become familiar about the patient’s medical conditions and how they may affect the care provided. Additionally, it helps to anticipate some more refined questions you would discuss in your medical history review with the patient’s caregiver.

As a dental provider, it is paramount to understand the patient’s complete medical background. One resource specific to pediatric dentistry is the Pediatric Dental Study Guide website (pediatricdentalstudyguide.weebly.com) which succinctly provides the background of various medical conditions, their dental manifestations, and implications on dental care. Although it is geared towards general dentists, Little and Falace’s “Dental Management of the Medically Compromised Patient” also provides a good background on the physiology and pathophysiology of various medical conditions.

The day of the appointment, one question that can be a helpful lead is “Which Specialists does the patient see?”. Generally, the first comprehensive exam appointment may function as an information gathering appointment. You may need to send out consultations to medical partners to fill in any holes or uncertainties in your patient’s history. In complex cases, it is preferable to pause before proceeding with rendering treatment with uncertainty. Some information you can gather from consults are if there are any contraindications to care in a traditional dental clinic setting, whether the patient can be reclined completely, if the patient needs antibiotic prophylaxis or if there are contraindications to passive restraint, local anesthetic and/or epinephrine. Generally, consultations should not request permission to provide dental treatment; rather, they should be gathering clarifications or details to better inform your choices on how to provide care for your patient.

If you work with medically complex patients, you need to be prepared to respond in case of a medical emergency. It is important to be able to recognize the limitations in a traditional dental clinic setting. In some instances, it may be better to defer care to a hospital-setting. Likewise, once a patient reaches a certain age, helping them transition to a general dentist who is comfortable with special health care needs is important for the patient’s dental health.

You decide to do a recall exam for Eric. He is taking Flovent, Synthroid, Zyrtec and Monteleukast daily and his Albuterol inhaler as needed. He has no allergies. Eric has seen ENT, endocrinology, and cardiology specialists in the last six months. During your exam, you see a class III skeletal profile and calculus consistent with his diagnosis of Downs Syndrome. You also note small caries on #19B. Due to his intellectual delay, you decide to utilize a Large Joey Board and the Molt Prop for Protective stabilization. Your assistant can take radiographs with mom’s help with the Nomad. Since Eric has an atrial septal defect, you decide not to complete the prophy and scaling but instead send his cardiologist a consult regarding antibiotic prophylaxis. Mom will have him schedule another appointment to complete his prophylaxis and silver diamine fluoride application on #19.

Working with a medically complex patient is a challenging but rewarding experience. There is a large barrier to access to care for this population and those who are able to understand the needs of these children are chipping away at these care gaps. It may require additional attention to detail, but it is extremely gratifying.

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Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic, the AAPD made the difficult decision to cancel the QE Prep Course in person course that was set to take place in February 2021. The health and safety of our members, speakers and staff are our top priority, which drove us to make the decision.

The ABPD will still be hosting the Qualifying Exam as of now, set to take place in May 2021. Please check their website for the most up to date information.

The AAPD would still like to provide those preparing for the Qualifying Exam opportunities to study and prepare the best they can. We are excited to share that in spring 2021 we will host the “Qualifying Examination Prep Study Club.” The Qualifying Examination Prep Study Club will be an enhancement to the pre-recorded QE Prep Course that is available in the Education Passport. This course was recorded in 2020 and includes 20.5 CE Credits as well as the in-depth lectures on the topics specifically relating to the exam. We strongly recommend you take this course before attending the QE Prep Study Club.

The QE Prep Study Club will be February through April and it allows you the opportunity to connect with the QE Prep speakers on specific topics. You will have the ability to submit questions for the speakers and it will be an informal session that will help you in your final preparation for the course. This Study Club is focused on answering your concerns relating to the topics, so it is essential you submit questions ahead of time.

Please note these speakers aren’t affiliated with the ABPD or the exam itself, they are merely here to help you study and prepare for the exam. They aren’t here to provide EXACT test questions or answers, this is all just a supplemental study tool and in no way guarantees a specific score on the exam. It is up to the attendee to use these tools the AAPD has provided for their own study preparation.

### Schedule: 5 – 7:30 PM CST

*Exam Date: May 3, 2021*

**February 24:** Slayton – Prevention, Caries Etiology, and Anticipatory Guidance

**March 3:** Yepes – Periodontal Disease, Immunology, and Research

**March 10:** Yepes – Radiologic Principles, Radiation Safety, Infection Control

**March 17:** Yepes – Special Health Care Needs, and Syndromes

**March 24:** Yepes – Oral Diagnosis, Oral Pathology, Oral Medicine, and Dental Anomalies

**March 31:** Nelson – Restorative Dental Care and Oral Rehabilitation

**April 7:** Law – Child Development, Behavior Guidance and Milestones

**April 14:** Nelson – Pharmacologic Behavior Guidance: Local Anesthesia and Nitrous Oxide, Procedural Sedation, and General Anesthesia

**April 21:** Law – Craniofacial Growth, Embryology, Anatomy, Cephalometric Analysis, Oral Habits, Space Management

**April 28:** Slayton – Pulp Therapy and Orofacial Trauma

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ILLINOIS—PARK RIDGE AND GLENVIEW. We are opening a brand new state of the art office in beautiful Park Ridge and have an existing office in Glenview. We are seeking a board certified or board eligible and licensed team oriented, energetic pediatric dentist to join our team in the two locations. We have a positive and cheery atmosphere. We are a ultra modern and high technology office. No HMO or public aid. Compensation includes health insurance, disability and life insurance, 401k, paid time off, malpractice insurance and a very competitive compensation. www.kidsmyl.com

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MICHIGAN—GROSE POINTE WOODS. Toothworks is an established, fast growing, busy pediatric dental practice. We currently have 4 pediatric dentists on staff and are looking for a 5th. Toothworks is located on the campus of a level 1 trauma center. The practice is located in a family oriented community with top ranked schools with amazing parks and access to water sports that are unique to Michigan. We are located 30 minutes from Detroit and 45 minutes from Ann Arbor, home to the University of Michigan. Toothworks serves a diverse clientele. The office has a robust restorative practice balanced with an established continuing care system. We believe in giving back to the community. The practice is affiliated with the Pediatric Dentistry Residency program at the Children’s Hospital of Michigan. There are optional teaching responsibilities for the interested qualified candidate. We are offering a full time position to an energetic, hard working professional to complement our motivated team. Partnership is available for the right candidate. This position offers an excellent pay and benefit package. Send resume to: info@toothworkspc.com. Check out our community at: https://www.pbs.org/video/whats-your-pointe-if77ja/.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—BEDFORD. We are a well established Southern NH multi-specialty group practice looking for a motivated and caring pediatric dentist to work alongside our 3 fun loving pediatric dentists. This is a full-time position with an opportunity to be a partner. Our office is located in a busy, family oriented community with excellent clinical, communication and interpersonal skills to collaborate and grow with us. We are looking for a pediatric dentist who enjoys a fast paced environment and has an energetic personality to build relationships with our loyal patients. We seek an associate who shares our philosophy of providing excellent care for kids as if they were our own children. New or recent grads welcome. Join us at Lindner Dental Associates, P.C. in a beautiful, spacious, modern facility with a well trained and friendly staff close to the mountains, the seacoast, and less than an hour to Boston. FT attractive benefits package including guaranteed salary, medical insurance plan, malpractice insurance, CE allowance, retirement plan, vacation, and holidays. Please send resume and confidential inquiry to: DMD603NH@gmail.com.

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NEW MEXICO—ALBUQUERQUE. Albuquerque Pediatric Dental is in search of a friendly and motivated pediatric dentist willing to serve our family of patients. Our well established practice has been providing dental treatment to the children of New Mexico for over 40 years. We are looking for a pediatric dentist willing to form a long term relationship with our patients, local communities, and staff. Our office accepts most major private insurances as well as Medicaid. We strive to provide high quality dental care in both the traditional dental office setting as well as the hospital setting. We are proud of our caring, hard-working, and enthusiastic team of employees capable of handling the diverse needs of our patients. In fact, we are proud to say half of our employees are fluent in Spanish and our full time employed employee has been with us for almost 20 years. We offer a dedicated staff, competitive salary with health benefits, paid holidays, malpractice insurance, modern treatment facilities, as well as the diverse food, outdoor activities, culture, landscapes and the pleasant sunshine the southwest has to offer. Candidates must have completed a postgraduate residency in pediatric dentistry, and already have an established Medicaid ID. Although, current residents are free and encouraged to apply for this open position as well. Interested professionals should please submit their resume to: info@dentist4kids.com. Also, we would love it if you visited our website at: www.albuquerquepediatricdental.com and read some of the reviews from our patients who have posted. We look forward to hearing from you soon! D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree with dental license in the state of New Mexico and certificate from a pediatric residency program.

NEW YORK—NEW YORK. Pediatric Dental Office in Coop building on the Upper East Side, NYC. Office can be purchased separately from practice and used for specialty or general practice location. Practice can be purchased at minimal cost when purchased in Coop Sale. Office is fully digital and networked with five chairs. Doctor and associates will stay if necessary. For more information, please contact shmadj@aol.com.

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for an experienced, compassionate and motivated pediatric dentist interested in opportunities to provide care for children in the community. About Advanced Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics. Advanced Pediatric Dentistry of Hermiston has been in practice for 13 years. We are located on the corner of the busy and convenient intersection of W Elm Ave and 11th St, where our patients can easily access care. We are in an area where the community is rapidly growing with new businesses and neighborhoods sprouting. Our surrounding small commute North to the Tri-Cities, where you can find shopping center & restaurants or enjoy commute to Walla Walla for the winery experience. Hermiston is known for our watermelon farms and many small owned businesses, as our community is rapidly growing, we continue to enjoy our small-town friendliness. At Advanced Pediatric Dentistry of Hermiston we believe that every patient deserves quality dental care. We work hard to ensure that all the children in the communities that we serve have access to specialized dental care and strive to become an integral part of the community that we serve. Why Should You Apply? Competitive Compensation. Signing Bonus. Production Bonus Potential. Top benefits including: Health Insurance, 401K Retirement Plans, Profit Sharing, and Health Savings Account. Paid Professional Liability Insurance. Paid Vacations. Continuing Education Reimbursement. Opportunity for future partnership. Team that focuses on family and individuals. Advanced Pediatric Dentistry of Hermiston is committed to maintaining a drug-free and safe workplace. A post-offer drug test to detect the use of illegal drugs is a part of our hiring process. A Kidz Dental Zone of Hood River does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in its health programs and activities. For more information, please contact sue@akidzdentalzone.com.

OREGON—SALEM. Be the change you want to see in the world” - Mahatma Gandhi My name is Dr Tim. I started A Kidz Dentistry for Kids in 2017 with the vision to fill a significant void in our area of Oregon and change the way pediatric dentistry is done. With personal investment, a lot of sweat equity, and more great doctors coming on board, we have grown to five great clinics within 3 years, and we are not close to being done yet. We are a group of entrepreneurial-minded doctors that don’t believe the trend of big corporate takeover is good for us or our patients, instead valuing the group practice model that is owned by doctors who are actually seeing the patients. We are looking for more pediatric dentists to be a force for good in the Pacific Northwest. If you are entrepreneurial minded and want to be a part of creating a legacy group dental practice, keep reading. Acorn Dentistry for Kids is leading the way in creating the ultimate patient and family experience for ALL families in the community. Most dentists around here - including pediatric dentists - got into school claiming they want to help. In our opinion, there are too many doctors that don’t believe the trend of big corporate takeovers. We love them well, provide benefits and do not see them as “dispensable” like many offices do. We spend a lot of time and resources on developing our team, starting with a full two weeks of culture and communication training upon hire. Doctors take the lead role in cultivating that positive culture we all want to have. A positive work environment is not a gift - it is a result of our cumulative efforts. Together we have developed the framework for the Acorn Culture: 1. We Are One; 2. Lead With Compassion; 3. Be Emotionally Proactive; 4. Be Yourself and Let Your Passion Shine; 5. Seek Personal Connection with Patients and Each Other; 6. Be a Little Acorny; 7. Be a Lifetime Learner; 8. Innovate and Embrace Change; 9. Be Humble; 10. Be Grateful. We train as a team each month on these values, and performance reviews use our values as the framework for our discussions and decision making. These are led by the doctor, NOT an office manager. We have no lead dental assistants and no office managers. Instead, we have created a leadership structure where anyone who chooses to put in the work and qualify for it gets to be in the leadership group, creating accountability for each individual as well as the team. No one wakes up in the morning and says, “I can’t wait to be managed today.” But we do wake up and say, “I want a leadership role in a big way!” This environment is created by the leadership group, creating accountability for each individual as well as the team. No one wakes up in the morning and says, “I can’t wait to be managed today.” But we do wake up and say, “I want a leadership role in a big way!” The leadership group is composed of doctors who are chosen to be a part of this leadership structure. We are a full-time pediatric dentist for our very busy clinic. You will have autonomy to practice your dental philosophy, support in training of your assisting staff and our management company handles the front-end portion of the clinic. This allows you to focus on patient care and back office efficiencies. Why We Feel This Opportunity is Unique. Our hope is that you love the practice, area and want to put down long term roots. This makes a win-win-win for the community, stability of the clinic and you. We give a lot of autonomy when it comes formula and treatment philosophy. We also have very experienced providers in our group that love to collaborate. We are booked out many months for all treatment. Long story short, you will not have an issue keeping us as busy as you want to be. We treat the entire population. Our clinics are a healthy mix of FFS and Medicaid patients. Oregon Health Plan (OHP/Medicaid) reimburses very generously compared to other states. This allows a mixed social demographic clinic to thrive and through good and bad economic times. Your group practices and activities. For more information, please contact timrichardsondds@gmail.com.

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Tennessee—Murfreesboro. Are you looking for a fast-paced, quality office with southern charm and hospitality? Wild About Smiles! Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics is a multi-generational office (not a DSO) in the greater Nashville area (Murfreesboro) that has been serving the local community for over 20 years. We are a 4 days/week practice with hospital time at least once a month. Must be comfortable with oral sedation in their treatment regimen. We offer mentorship, an experienced staff, a partnership track if interested and work/life balance. Our team is currently comprised of 4 pediatric dentists and an in-house orthodontist to serve the needs of our awesome patients. Compensation: Daily guaranteed or % of collections-Relocation stipend-Malpractice Insurance. Relocation Bonus. Optional Health Insurance. Continuing Education reimbursement. Tennessee Dental License or eligible for licensure. Completion or soon to be completed Pediatric Residency Program.

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Texas—Austin. We are a Pediatric Dental Practice, located in and around the Austin area with multiple locations to fit the needs of our diverse population. Our commitment is to provide the highest quality comprehensive dental and orthodontic care to the children and teens of the Austin community in a compassionate and caring environment. We truly believe that each patient is unique. We take the time to develop the perfect treatment plan for each child that sits in our chair, treating everyone on a case-by-case basis. Austin is consistently rated one of the best cities to live in and for good reason. It is a hub for live music, the food is amazing, there are more outdoor activities than you could ever get to. One of the keys to long term happiness and success is that the ability to work and live in a city you love. We know you will love your time in Austin! We offer a comprehensive compensation package: - Full Medical Benefits - Company Paid Life Insurance - Company Paid Long Term Disability Insurance - 401(k) with up to 3.5% company matching New grads and experienced pediatric dentists welcome! For more information please contact David Stanley DDS@gmail.com.

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Texas—Arlington. We are a growing pediatric dentistry with a strong emphasis on preventive and restorative care. We offer a comprehensive compensation package: - Full Medical Benefits - Company Paid Life Insurance - Company Paid Long Term Disability Insurance - 401(k) with up to 3.5% company matching New grads and experienced pediatric dentists welcome! For more information please contact David Stanley DDS@gmail.com.

Texas—Belton. We are an established pediatric dental and orthodontic office located in College Station, TX. This is an amazing opportunity for a full-time associate (4 days per week) with the possibility of a partnership opportunity in the future. We would also consider a part-time associate dentist based on the specific candidate. Our privately-owned office is currently comprised of 3 board-certified pediatric dentists, one dual-trained pediatric dentist/orthodontist, and an amazing dental team. Our goal is to deliver high quality care in a fun and compassionate manner to all patients. We are very fortunate to have an incredible patient base drawing from the Bryan/College Station and surrounding areas. We offer a full benefits package including vacation and holiday pay, health insurance, and 401(k). There is also reimbursement for malpractice insurance, professional dues, and continuing education courses. Please email C.V. to office@ brazosvalleymiles.com. Applicant: D.D.S./D.M.D. from an accredited university Active Dental Board License Completion or eligible for completion of an accredited pediatric residency program.

Washington—Seattle. Newly available Pediatric opportunity for purchase in the Seattle Metro Area - King County. Retiring doctor potentially available to stay on and work as an associate dentist. Beautiful 10 operatory facility. Could be an excellent opportunity to combine with an orthodontic practice. Contact Dr. Dan Byrne for details. dan@mydentalbroker.com. (206) 992-0580.

Washington—Walla Walla. Have a passion for helping children have a wider and brighter smile Join our team at Craik Pediatric Dentistry. Where patient interaction is focused on Happy Kidz, Healthy Smiles, for a Lifetime! At Craik Pediatric Dentistry our main focus in providing an inviting environment for all our patients and their families through a caring staff and exceptional dental care. Pediatric Dentist: Immediate Opening with Signing Bonus Craik Pediatric Dentistry has an immediate opening for an experienced, compassionate and motivated pediatric dentist interested in opportunities to provide care focusing on prevention and community involvement. About
Craik Pediatric Dentistry

At Craik Pediatric Dentistry we believe that every child deserves quality dental care. We work hard to ensure that all the children in the communities that we serve have access to specialized dental care and strive to become an integral part of the community that we serve. Our office is located at the foot of the Blue Mountains in Walla Walla, Washington, where wineries are beginning to rival the sweet-tasting Walla Walla onion as the hallmark of this lovely town. In fact, the combination of excellent wineries and appealing scenery has put Walla Walla on the map as one of the country’s hottest new wine touring regions.

The town’s rich history, starting with the Indian tribes who first settled here followed by the early pioneers, the establishment and subsequent tragic demise of a famous mission and then a gold rush, is also a tourist draw. Fascinating museums and historic attractions bring this past to life. Music and the arts are a vital part of this culturally conscious college town, which boasts one of the oldest symphony orchestras west of the Mississippi, frequent summertime blues and jazz concerts, arts festivals and at least 15 art galleries. A revitalized downtown features restored 19th-century buildings, restaurants, galleries and wine-tasting rooms. If you’re itching for outdoor fun, head east for hiking, mountain biking and fishing in the Blue Mountains or take the relatively easy Stateline Loop bike trail to Oregon and back.

Our clinic has 6 ops outfitted with ability to go to 8 in center of Walla Walla. We operate 4 full day schedules and use state of the art technology such as the Solea Laser and operate in office GA free treatment, in office oral sedation, in office orthodontics/invisalign, 3D scanning for impression free treatment, in office oral sedation, in office general anesthesia, and general anesthesia at local hospitals. At Kids Dental Experts® you can expect to see a steady flow of new patients and at the end of the day you will find a truly rewarding career.

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