Impact of Dental Health on Preventing Future Medical Complications





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Join us for a comprehensive virtual training by industry leaders. This 3-hour session, divided into six 30-minute segments, delves into the critical relationship between dental health and overall well-being. Experts will explore the different factors that can adversely affect dental health, leading to potential complications down the road.

Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your understanding of the interconnectedness between dental and overall health, and learn actionable steps to promote lifelong well-being.

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Virtual Training Schedule



"Introduction to Dental Health and Its Role in Preventing Medical Complications" April 30th at 7pm EST - Tom Viola, RPh

Discussion on the interconnection between dental health and overall well-being.

Challenges of xerostomia and its impact on quality of life and dental health.

Identification of diseases and treatments that have significant dry mouth challenges –
Sjogren's; Oral, Head and Neck, Thyroid Cancer and radiation treatments (short intro to be followed up by dental oncologist in next session); medications.

Guidelines for maintaining dental health to prevent future medical problems.

Practical strategies for promoting overall health through effective dental hygiene practices.



"Influence of Medical Treatments on Dental Health: Challenges for Cancer Patients" May 2nd at 7pm EST - Dr. Alessandro Villa

Short and Long-term impact of Chemotherapy and Radiation

Specific challenges of untreated xerostomia and its impact on oral health and quality of life (introductory discussion with a deeper dive in Session 3).

Expert analysis on how medical treatments can influence dental health.

Examination of specific medications and treatments that may impact dental well-being. Strategies for managing dental health during medical interventions to prevent future complications.



"Managing Dry Mouth: Side Effects of Medications and Alternative Therapies" Date: May 7th at 7pm EST - Jo-Anne Jones, FIADE, 2024 Dentistry Today CE Leader

Understand the causes of dry mouth as a side effect of various diagnoses, C-Pap machines, medications across multiple disease states, cancer therapies for oral/oropharyngeal/thyroid

cancers, lifestyle behaviors and the aging demographic. Identify effective strategies for managing dry mouth symptoms caused by medical treatments and alternative therapies, focusing on preventive measures and lifestyle adjustments as well

as available therapies.

Discuss the importance of screening and the interdisciplinary collaboration between healthcare providers and dental professionals in addressing dry mouth effectively and improving patient outcomes.



"The Mental Health Implications of Poor Oral Health: Understanding the Connection" May 9th at 7pm EST - Dr. Guy Maytal

Examine how chronic dry mouth affects mental well-being, including its impact on quality of life, self-esteem, and social interactions.

Explore the relationship between poor oral health and mental conditions like anxiety and depression, considering how dry mouth may worsen existing challenges. Identify coping strategies and resources to manage the mental health effects of poor oral health, promoting emotional resilience and well-being.



"Dental Challenges of the Elderly and Patients with Progressive Neurological Diseases" May 14th at 7pm EST - Mary Kelly, RDH

Exploration of dental challenges as people age

Questions to ask to help identify dry mouth.

Symptoms to look for when the patient cannot articulate what they are experiencing. Case studies illustrating the link between dental health and future medical complications.



"Empowering Patients and Caregivers: Dental Health Education Tools and Resources" May 16th at 7pm EST - Jill Meyer-Lippert, RDH; Christina Hardin-Weiss, MS/SLP; Cindy Hardin-Weiss, MSPT

Learn practical techniques and preventive measures for alleviating dry mouth symptoms, including lifestyle modifications and oral hygiene practices.

Highlight the role of dental devices such as saliva substitutes and other preventive measures

in managing dry mouth and promoting dental health.

Discuss the effectiveness of assistive technologies and medical devices in addressing dry mouth and preventing future medical complications.

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