149th Midwinter Meeting bridges past, present, future

Chicago Dental Society's Midwinter Meeting, Feb. 20–22, is one of the industry's biggest

The 149th Chicago Dental Society Midwinter Meeting, featuring more than 100 lectures, demonstrations and participation courses — and more than 600 exhibit booths — is Feb. 20–22 at Chicago’s McCormick Place East. The meeting typically attracts around 30,000 attendees, making it one of the biggest dental meetings in North America.

The 2014 meeting’s theme is “The Bridge: Past, Present and Future.”

The exhibit hall is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on all three days of the meeting. In addition to the full-registration options, exhibit-only passes are available to ADA dentists, international dentists and non-ADA dentists. That pass, sold on site, will be open on all three days of the meeting.

The free courses (those courses that are included in the registration fee) at the meeting are seated on first-come, first-served basis. The free courses are ticketed, so advanced registration and on-time arrival to the class is required to secure a seat. Those who do not reserve a ticket through registration need to arrive at the classroom early to obtain a ticket, if available, at the classroom door.

Live patient demonstrations

The live patient demonstrations on Thursday are from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Each session is worth three C.E. hours. The demonstration covers cooperative restoration design and fabrication with laboratories. The session is for dentists who have a surgical background and basic knowledge of implant dentistry. The course focuses on immediate implant techniques following tooth removal. The session is worth three C.E. hours.

The television of the live patient demonstrations on the exhibit floor has been expanded for the 2014 meeting. Attendees will be able to view the daily demonstrations in a theater constructed on the east side of the exhibit hall, near the Starbuck’s entrance to the hall. Details are available in the course descriptions section for each day’s program.

Online registration for the meeting at www.cds.org was scheduled to end Feb. 14, after which registration will be available on site. Typically, approximately 5,000 attendees register on site for the meeting for each day’s program.

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Special events include new dentists reception, music, fashion, more

The Chicago Dental Society welcomes new dentists with a reception for those who have been in the profession for 10 or fewer years. The Friday, Feb. 21, event provides recent dental school graduates and other newer dentists the opportunity to enjoy cocktails, food and conversation with one another. The reception will be from 5–6:30 p.m. at 210 restaurant. Level 2, in McCormick Place West. Tickets are $10 each through advanced registration and $20 on site.

Other special events include a mentor luncheon, opening session, fashion show, Friday night concert and the CDA president’s dinner dance.

All of the special events are ticketed. For those who do not order tickets when registering, tickets may also be available on site on Thursday morning, Feb. 20, at McCormick Place at the special events ticket counter in the registration area, Level 3 Concourse, subject to availability.
300-plus exhibiting at PDC

Pacific Dental Conference, March 6–8, includes two-day exhibit hall, Thursday and Friday, March 6–7

The 2014 Pacific Dental Conference, from March 6–8 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) in Vancouver, British Columbia, will feature a varied selection of open C.E. sessions, hands-on courses and a live dentistry stage.

One registration fee gives access to all 144 open sessions, which means no pre-selection of courses is necessary.

More than 135 speakers, with topics of interest to the entire dental team

The variety of topics covered by more than 135 speakers means the entire dental team can access the latest information on dental technology, techniques and materials.

Speakers in the 2014 lineup include John Kois, John Cranham, Sergio Kutler, Greg Psaltis, Ross Nash, Derek Mahony, Rob Roda, Louis Malcmacher, Bart Johnson, Jesse Miller, Rhonda Savage and Nancy Andrews.

Event includes University of British Columbia Speakers Series

With the University of British Columbia Faculty of Dentistry celebrating its 50th anniversary, the PDC will present the “UBC Speakers Series,” with UBC alumni addressing a variety of topics.

The Live Dentistry Stage is back in the exhibit hall, with demonstrations on Thursday and Friday. On Saturday, the “So You Think You Can Speak?” program features 50-minute presentations by speakers who responded to a call for presentations and were accepted by the meeting’s scientific committee. A number of timely dentistry topics will be covered.

Two-day exhibit hall

The exhibit hall promises to be busy with more than 300 companies projected to fill approximately 600 booths. Exhibition hours are 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Friday.

Reservations can be made directly with conference hotels via the links on www.pdconf.com.

(Source: Pacific Dental Conference)

The city of Vancouver and its Vancouver Convention Centre, host site of the Pacific Dental Conference, awaits attendees of the Pacific Dental Conference, from March 6–7.

Photo/Provided by Pacific Dental Conference
JDIQ’s exhibit hall is among Canada’s biggest
225-plus dental companies to be in Montreal, May 23–27

The 44th edition of the Journées dentistes internationales du Québec will take place from May 23–27 at the Palais des congrès de Montréal.

Hosting the Association of Prosthodontists of Canada
One of the biggest changes with the 2014 edition of the meeting is that the JDIQ will host the Association of Prosthodontists of Canada. Among the benefits expected from this joint venture, which also involves the Association of Prosthodontists of Quebec, will be a larger number of top speakers in implant and restorative dentistry — and a presence at the meeting of a larger number of prosthodontists from across Canada.

The annual meeting of the Ordre des dentistes du Québec continues to be one of the highest-attended dental meetings in North America. In 2014, meeting organizers expect to host more than 12,000 delegates from around the world.

More than 100 lectures and workshops in English and French
The meeting will feature a scientific program with more than 100 lectures and workshops presented in English and French. The JDIQ meeting is described by organizers as being Canada’s most highly attended bilingual convention.

More than 225 exhibitors will occupy approximately 500 booths in the exhibit hall, making it one of the largest in Canada. The exhibition will be open Monday and Tuesday, May 26 and 27, and it will feature a continental breakfast on both days for the early risers as well as a wine and cheese reception to close out both afternoons.

Featured 2014 speakers already in the lineup include Drs. Dale Miles, Robert Langlais, Steven Olmos, Stephen Niemczyk, Manor Hass, Jonathan Bregman, Michael Di Tolla, Gerry Kugel, Karl Koerner, Joe Blakes, Jason Smithson, Brian Novy, Ken Har�reaves, Thomas Dudney, Robert Gutner, Tierona Low-Dog and James Mah, to name just a few.

For more information about the meeting, you can call (800) 361-4887, visit online at www.odq.qc.ca — or you can send an email to congres@odq.qc.ca.

(Source: Ordre des dentistes du Québec)

Hands-on implants training in Jamaica is with real patients

The American Academy of Implant Prosthodontics (AAIP) will join with its affiliates, Atlantic Dental Implant Seminars (ADIS) and the Linkow Implant Institute, to present a basic five-day comprehensive implant training program in Kingston, Jamaica, at the University of Technology, School of Oral Health Sciences, from July 2–6.

The AAIP Basic Course (Level 1) will include lectures, surgical and prosthodontic demonstrations, hands-on participation on anatomic mannequins and cadavers, diagnosis and treatment planning of implant cases, the construction of surgical templates, diagnostic wax-ups, the insertion of two to six implants by each participant, and sinus lifts under supervision of the course faculty.

Upon completion of the 35-hour comprehensive implant training program, participating clinicians will be able to accomplish the following tasks: identify cases suitable for dental implants, diagnose and treatment plan for preservation and restoration of edentulous and partially edentulous arches, demonstrate competency in the placement of dental implants in their offices, and perform minimally invasive sinus lifting.

The next five-day AAIP/ADIS course is July 2–6

An attendee at the 2012 JDIQ meeting works on a pig jaw in a hands-on program with Dr. Pietro DiBatista and Dr. Michael DiTolla. Photo/Provided by Ordre des dentistes du Québec.

Course participants performing a sinus lift. Photos/Provided by AAIP.

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of single-tooth implants, soft tissue management and bone augmentation; obtain an ideal implant occlusion; work as part of an implant team with other professionals, and incorporate implant treatment into private practice with quality results, cost-effectiveness and profitability.

Implant treatment will be performed on provided patients in the dental clinic of the University of Technology, School of Oral Health Sciences, in Kingston, with personalized training in small-group settings. The course is a cooperative effort of the Jamaican Ministry of Health, the University of Technology, School of Dental Sciences, Kingston, Jamaica, and the American Academy of Implant Prosthodontics.

A dental degree is required for all participants. The course is tax deductible, and 35 hours of dental continuing education credits are awarded on course completion. No malpractice insurance is required for course participants.

Dr. Mike Shulman is course coordinator. Dr. Leonard I. Linkow is course director and Dr. Sheldon Winkler is course adviser. Course faculty, in addition to Shulman, Linkow and Winkler, include Drs. Robert Braun, Ira L. Eisenstein, Richard Hughes, Charles S. Mandell, Virgilio Mongalo, Harold F. Morris and Roberto Russo.

Implants and components for AAIP/ADIS implant seminars are provided by Optimum Solutions Group. Dental laboratory support is provided by DCA Laboratory Inc., Citrus Heights, Calif., and Dani Dental Studio, Tempe, Ariz.

Founded by Dr. Maurice J. Fagan Jr. in 1982 at the School of Dentistry, Medical College of Georgia, the Academy of Implant Prosthodontics exists to support and foster the practice of implant prosthodontics as an integral component of dentistry.

The academy supports component and affiliate implant associations around the world, including organizations in Egypt, France, Italy, Israel, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Paraguay, Peru and Thailand.


American Academy of Implant Prosthodontics is designated as an approved PACE program provider by the Academy of General Dentistry. The formal continuing education programs of this program provider are accepted by AGD for fellowship, mastership and membership maintenance credit. The current term of approval extends through Dec. 31, 2015.

Complete information on the AAIP/ADIS Jamaica implant continuing education programs, including tuition, faculty lectures, transportation and hotel accommodations, can be obtained from the course website, www.adiseminars.com, or by calling (551) 655-1909.

AAIP membership information can be obtained from the AAIP headquarter at 8672 East Eagle Claw Drive, Scottsdale, AZ 85266-1058; telephone (480) 588-8062; fax (480) 588-8296, or online from the AAIP website at www.aaipusa.com.
Greater New York Dental Meeting adds new events

Next meeting is Nov. 28 through Dec. 3

A number of new events are already on the schedule for the 2014 Greater New York Dental Meeting. Some highlights:

• The World Implant Expo, four days of innovations in implantology.
• An expanded CollABoration Dental Laboratory Meeting, bringing together dentists and tab techs in a highly interactive environment.
• An expanded exhibit floor with more than 1,700 exhibit booths filled by more than 700 companies.

CollABoration, the dental laboratory meeting presented with Aegis Publishing, is expected to surpass its inaugural 2013 numbers: 1,183 technicians and technician students, 50 exhibitor booths and two classrooms for seminars and workshops.

The new World Implant Expo will be held simultaneously with the main Greater New York Dental Meeting, from Nov. 28 through Dec. 3.

The 2014 GNYDM exhibit hall dates will be from Nov. 30 through Dec. 3. Again for 2014, the GNYDM, which is sponsored by the New York County Dental Society and Second District Dental Societies, will remain free of any registration fee.

Four days of exhibits

Other distinctions that help make the GNYDM stand out include:
• Only event with four-day exhibit hall
• More than 300 educational programs
• One C.E. unit for exploring the exhibit floor
• Eight “Live Patient Demonstrations”
• Multilingual programs (in Spanish, Russian, Portuguese, French and Italian)

Three major airports — Newark Liberty (EWR), Kennedy (JFK) and La Guardia (LGA) — and hotel discounts make it easy for professionals to attend the meeting and enjoy all that New York City has to offer during the holiday season. Learn more at www.gnydm.com.

(Source: Greater New York Dental Meeting)