

# NOW IN WEBINAR FORMAT: Special Needs Dentistry – You Can Do It!

Presented by the Virginia Department of Health in partnership with Virginia Health Catalyst, Virginia Dental Association Foundation, and Virginia Commonwealth University Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

## Course Description

### ***Special Needs Dentistry – You Can Do It!***

**Now in Webinar Format:** *Special Needs Dentistry – You Can Do It!* is a free continuing education course series offered to dentists and dental hygienists to update their knowledge in special needs dentistry.

**Matthew R. Cooke, DDS, MD, MPH**, will present the most current clinical information regarding effective and safe dental care for individuals with special health care needs. Topics to be addressed include providing care for individuals with special needs; treatment planning; disabilities, syndromes, and conditions with orofacial manifestations; ethics, advocacy, and trends in special care dentistry; and finally, integration of special needs dentistry into your practice.

There will be **five 2-hour virtual sessions** offered in the series, with each session building upon the information presented in the prior sessions. Each session will be granted 2-hours CE credit. **Participants are encouraged to attend all five sessions of the course for a total of 10 hours CE credit.** Registration is required for each session. Course sessions may not be available for future viewing. A possible recorded option is being determined.

The speakers have no relevant financial relationships to disclose. No prior skill level or knowledge of special needs dentistry is required. However, the course intended audience is licensed dentists and dental hygienists.

Come join us for our grant-funded continuing education webinar series! We look forward to seeing you!

**Agenda for each session available on next page - this is the second of three courses, each covers the same information. Find additional course dates at: <https://bit.ly/catalystevents>**

***Space is Limited  
Registration will close at  
noon the day of each session***

***10 CERP Credits for Dental Professionals  
attending ALL FIVE Sessions  
(2 CERP Credits for each session)***

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# Special Needs Dentistry—You Can Do It! Course Two Agenda

**Speaker: Matthew R. Cooke, DDS, MD, MPH**

**Moderator: Kami A. Piscitelli, BSDH, RDH**

## April 15: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### Session #1: Introduction to Special Needs Dentistry, and the Three Pillars of Treatment Planning

- Explain what comprises special needs dentistry
- Discuss the three components of treatment planning (Medical, Dental/Surgical, Behavior) and how to customize to an individual patient
- Compare Risk vs Benefit as it relates to safe care focused on disease prevention and management



## April 22: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### Session #2: Behavior: A Critical Component in the Plan

- Summarize the continuum of behavior and its place in the dental office
- Explain the etiology of uncooperative behavior
- Identify behavior guidance and advantages/disadvantages of the various techniques

## April 29: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### Session #3: Disabilities, Syndromes, and Conditions with Orofacial Manifestations

- Discuss a few disabilities/syndromes with craniofacial manifestations
- Develop an individualized treatment plan that is unique for the patient's needs
- Recognize you need the entire team to treat individuals with special needs



## May 6: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### Session #4: Integration of Special Needs Dentistry into your Practice

- Identify communication styles for patients with special needs and caregivers
- Recognize the need for a community collaborative practice which includes dentistry as an integral part of interdisciplinary care
- Point out a few clinical tips, including techniques and materials for treating individuals with special needs

## May 13: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### Session #5: Final Case Presentation and Cumulative Q&A for the Entire Course

- VCU Pediatric Dental Resident - *Treating Special Needs Patients in Dentistry: A Case Presentation*
- Demonstrate an example of how to treat patients with special health care needs in the dental setting
- Final comments and \*Q&A with Dr. Cooke covering any topic throughout the entire course
- \*Please submit questions up to 12 hours prior to Session #5 or have live questions ready!



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