2023 Individualized Dental Care - Thinking Outside the Box
In-person CE Course at Southern Virginia Higher Education Center, South Boston

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

Individualized Dental Care - Thinking Outside the Box

This is a FREE two-day in-person continuing education course offered to dental professionals to update their knowledge in dental care for people with unique physical, intellectual, or medical needs. Matthew R. Cooke, DDS, MD, MPH, will present the most current clinical information and interactive case-based discussions regarding effective and safe levels of dental care for all individuals regardless of their specific needs. Topics to be addressed include treatment planning to address risk vs. benefit; behavior guidance techniques; disabilities, syndromes, and conditions with orofacial manifestations; ethics, advocacy, and trends in dentistry; and integration of more patients into your practice. Kami A. Piscitelli, RDH, VA Department of Health Special Needs Oral Health Coordinator, will also provide a presentation regarding disability etiquette, tips and tricks for making dental visits easier for some patients, and hygiene adaptations for people with home care challenges.

The course is tailored to an audience of dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants, and senior (D4) dental students. Teaching methods include lecture and audience engagement. This course will NOT be offered online or recorded.

Speaker information can be found on the registration link. The speakers have no relevant financial relationships to disclose. No prior skill level or knowledge other than previous basic dental knowledge is required.

Learning Objectives

- Discuss the need for three components of treatment planning: Medical, Dental/Surgical, Behavioral.
- Identify at least one reason for determining risk-versus-benefit while treatment planning.
- Identify two behavior guidance techniques and their advantages/disadvantages.
- Discuss a few disabilities/syndromes with craniofacial manifestations.
- Recognize the need for the entire dental team’s involvement when treating patients.
- Point out a few clinical tips or hygiene tool modifications for patients with unique challenges.

Attendance on both days is highly recommended. CEU credits are based on actual hours attended. Register at: https://bit.ly/IDCSouthBoston

If you have questions, please contact Kami Piscitelli at kami.piscitelli@vdh.virginia.gov.
Primary Speaker: Matthew R. Cooke, DDS, MD, MPH

Note: Due to federal funding for this project no food or drink will be provided. Please arrange to bring your own coffee, other drinks, snacks, and/or meals.

*Friday, June 23, 2023: 8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.*

8:15 - 8:30 a.m.  Sign-in

8:30 - 9:15 a.m.  Opening Discussion and Introductions

9:15 - 10:45 a.m.  Scope of the Issue and Case Management

10:45 - 11:00 a.m.  Break

11:00 - 1:00 p.m.  Treatment Discussions Related to Patient Cases

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  Lunch on your own or Bring a bag lunch

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  Dentistry Tailored to Individual Needs

4:00 - 4:15 p.m.  Questions, Closing Remarks, and Friday Course Evaluation

*Saturday, June 24, 2023: 8:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.*

8:15 - 8:30 a.m.  Sign-in Again

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.  Unique Approaches for Individual Patient Needs

10:00 - 10:15 a.m.  Break

10:15 - 11:00 a.m.  VCU Case Presentation and Discussion

11:00 - 1:00 p.m.  Barriers to Care and Other Treatment Discussion

1:00 - 1:15 p.m.  Final Comments, Questions, and Saturday Course Evaluation

*These are generalized topics, which can change according to audience preference and discussions at the time of the course. Content is led to a certain degree by audience participation and interests.

Location: Southern Virginia Higher Education Center, 820 Bruce Street, South Boston, VA 24592

Attendance on both days is highly recommended and necessary to achieve the entire 11 CEUs. This is an in-person course only.

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