Chronic Orofacial Pain, Orodental and Headache Pains for the Dentist
Friday - Saturday, February 24 - 25, 2006
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

EXCELLENCE IN PORCELAIN VENEERS:
A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE LATEST MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES
Friday, January 20, 2006

THE 31ST ANNUAL USC PERIODONTAL AND IMPLANT SYMPOSIUM
Thursday - Sunday, January 26 - 29, 2006

EMERGING DISEASES, INFECTION CONTROL AND CALIFORNIA DENTAL PRACTICE ACT
Saturday, February 4, 2006

COMMON ORAL LESIONS WORKSHOP 1:
SOFT TISSUE DISEASE
Saturday, February 11, 2006

ORAL SURGERY FOR THE GENERAL PRACTITIONER
Saturday, March 4, 2006

LEGAL ASPECTS OF DENTISTRY: HOW TO AVOID MALPRACTICE
Friday, March 10, 2006

PROVISIONAL RESTORATIONS: MORE THAN JUST A TEMPORARY, KEY TO OFFICE AND RESTORATIVE SUCCESS
Saturday, March 11, 2006

COSMETIC IMAGING AND COMPUTER ASSISTED DESIGN USED TO ENHANCE ESTHETIC CASE PRESENTATIONS AND TREATMENT PLANS
Saturday, March 18, 2006

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY IN DENTISTRY
Friday - Saturday, March 24 - 25, 2006

UPDATE IN ESTHETIC RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY
Friday, March 31, 2006

DENTAL DETECTIVES:
FORENSICS AND THE DENTAL TEAM
Saturday, April 1, 2006

COMMON ORAL LESIONS WORKSHOP 2: UPDATE IN EARLY ORAL CANCER AND PRECANCER DETECTION
Saturday, April 1, 2006

USC School of Dentistry is an ADA CERP and AGD recognized provider
Understand the neuroanatomy, neurophysiology and pathobiology of the trigeminal nociceptive system

Understand neurogenous and neurovascular diseases

Conduct a differential diagnosis of neurogenous and headache disorders

Understand the current therapies used for these problems

Understand how neurovascular headaches can convert from episodic to chronic

Understand the latest medications that are used for managing both neurovascular and neurogenous pain

Understand how to make stents, perform intramuscular injections, and conduct a myofascial examination

This course focuses on Chronic Orofacial Pain and headaches (e.g. Neuropathic Pain, Neurovascular Pain, Neuralgia, Neuritis and Neuroma). It reviews underlying mechanisms of pain induction, nerve injury and repair, sensitization and spontaneous ectopic pain generation. Lectures include an explanation of how various analgesic blocks and sensory testing procedures, in combination with historical information, produce a differential diagnosis of neurogenous and headache pain. Lectures will also focus on the appropriate pharmacologic, behavioral, surgical and physical medicine management procedures for these conditions. Finally, real patient cases will be presented with the goal of helping the attendee become more comfortable in diagnosing and treating OFP disorders and providing them with a new understanding of chronic pain.

Topics to be covered:

• Chronic Orofacial Pains (neuralgias, neuromas and neuropathies of the trigeminal nerve)
• Headache disorders which mimic TMD and cause orofacial pain
• Neurology for the novice
• New medications used for pain
• Examination methods for chronic pain

Upon completion of this course you will be able to:

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The course is part of a series being provided by the faculty of the USC Center for Orofacial Pain and Oral Medicine. For specific question regarding this course, please contact Dr. Clark at gtc@usc.edu. For patient referrals, please call 213-740-3410.

Registration Fees

Before February 1, 2006
• Dentist: $395
• Auxiliary: $195 (Limited 2 per dentist)

After February 1, 2006
• Dentist: $425
• Auxiliary: $215 (Limited 2 per dentist)