Esthetic Periodontal Surgery for the General Practitioner: A Hands-On Course

Four Points by Sheraton Sacramento
Module I: Saturday, September 19, 2009
Module II: Saturday - Sunday, October 24 - 25, 2009
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration Fees

Before August 10, 2009
- Module I (Sacramento): Dentist $235/Auxiliary $115
- Module I (Los Angeles): Dentist $235/Auxiliary $115
- Module I & II: Dentist $1,695

After August 10, 2009
- Module I (Sacramento): Dentist $265/Auxiliary $145
- Module I (Los Angeles): Dentist $265/Auxiliary $145
- Module I & II: Dentist $1,795

Refunds are granted only if a written cancellation notification is received at least 21 days before the course. 50% of the tuition minus processing fee will be refunded if cancellation occurs within 14 days before the course. No refund is granted afterwards. A $60 fee is withheld for processing. For additional registrations, xerox this form and send.
The goal of esthetic reconstruction is to provide patients with naturally-looking restorations and healthy surrounding soft tissues. Often, patients present with gingival deformities such as tissue deficiency or excessive gingivae thereby posing a challenge to the treating clinician. Proper handling of the gingival tissues can determine between treatment success and failure. This hands-on course is designed to provide clinicians with the scientific background and surgical techniques to perform esthetic periodontal surgery. It will address the methods to attain esthetic success from a soft tissue perspective. Diagnosis and treatment planning tools, complication management and when a referral is indicated will be emphasized. Participants will acquire knowledge in minimally invasive surgery and control of the soft tissue profile around teeth and implants leading to more esthetic and predictable outcomes for their patients.

*This course is intended for general dentists, periodontists, prosthodontists, oral surgeons, dental assistants, dental hygienists and other members of the dental team.

Hands-On Workshop (On Models):
- Flap Design
- Suturing techniques
- Soft tissue harvesting and grafting (free grafts)
- Crown lengthening
- Dermis allografts and enamel proteins for root coverage
- Increasing the zone of attached gingivae
- Osseous surgery

Topics to be covered:
- Diagnosis and treatment planning in the Esthetic Zone
- Treatment options for the "Gummy Smile"
- Esthetic and functional crown lengthening
- Soft tissue grafting for gingival recession
- The use of dermis allografts and enamel matrix proteins avoiding donor site morbidity
- Coronally repositioned flaps for root coverage
- Soft tissue management around implants
- Periodontal surgery for pocket reduction (Osseous Surgery)
- Surgical lip repositioning
- Esthetic surgery instruments
- Flap design and suturing techniques
- Management of complications
- When and what to refer to a specialist

Participants in Module I & II will receive a free Esthetic Surgery Bur Kit!

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Dr. Simon is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology and a Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada. He obtained his dental degree and Bachelor of Medical Sciences degree from Tel Aviv University, where he held a teaching position in the department of prosthodontics. He received his periodontal graduate degree and a Master of Science from the University of Toronto. He has conducted research and published on bone engineering, dental implants and smile design. He lectures nationally and internationally on gingival esthetics, advanced hard and soft tissue reconstruction and implant dentistry. Dr. Simon is the founder of the Beverly Hills Multidisciplinary Dental Study Group and taught as a clinical assistant professor at USC. Dr. Simon maintains a private practice limited to periodontics, dental implants and reconstructive surgery in Beverly Hills, California.

Module I of the course will be held at both USC Campus and Sacramento. In Sacramento it will be held at:

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