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Dr. Abdi Sameni is a Clinical Associate Professor of dentistry and a 1991 graduate of USC School of Dentistry. He has been a member of the USC clinical faculty since 1998. He is currently faculty for the new “esthetic selective” at USC and works closely with Dr. Pascal Magne, USCSD’s esthetic director. He was the first faculty member for the USC Advanced Esthetic Dentistry Continuum to serve and direct the portion relating to indirect porcelain veneers. He is the course director for an intensive lecture and hands-on course relating to indirect bonded porcelain restoration at USC. He is the chairman of the USC International Restorative Dentistry Symposium and lectures regularly on topics related to interdisciplinary dentistry, digital photography and its applications in dentistry, and various aspects of esthetic dentistry.

Dr. Sameni is Past-President of the USC Dental Alumni Association, President-Elect of the USC Century Club and a member of the Board of Counselors of the USC School of Dentistry. He maintains a private practice in West Los Angeles, where he emphasizes comprehensive restorative dentistry, including implant reconstruction and esthetic dentistry.

As patients get older, “thinning”, “chipping” and “discoloration” are common esthetic problems. These are often the result of high-acid diet and/or functional and parafunctional wear. If left untreated, the affected teeth will become functionally compromised and ultimately esthetically.

This aging phenomenon coupled with patients’ desire to preserve their youthful appearance, as well as recent media attention to porcelain veneers have generated a “boom” in the area of esthetic dentistry to the point that patients are increasingly demanding them. Current advances in material sciences and biomechanics have produced evidence which supports restoration of these weakened teeth to improve function and enhance esthetics.

This course will familiarize practitioners with the most contemporary evidence-based clinical knowledge concerning bonded porcelain restorations. Furthermore, a treatment philosophy, which respects the vitality and biomechanical properties of the intact teeth while improving the patient’s smile, will be presented. It will also be demonstrated that once the biomechanical considerations are understood and respected, the “Natural Beauty” of the smile can be achieved successfully, naturally, and predictably.

Topics To Be Covered:

- Diagnosis and treatment planning with an emphasis on bonded restorations
- Smile analysis and design
- Case presentation for patients using PowerPoint and photography
- Diagnostic 3-dimensional mock-up previews
- Preparation design using reduction guides and mock-ups
- Immediate dentin sealing
- Provisional techniques and fabrications
- Impressions
- Cementation philosophy and techniques
- Porcelain selection and surface preparation
- Shade taking using photography
- Lab communication using PowerPoint and photography
- Choosing different esthetic materials and matching them
- Bonded restorations’ role in the restoration of vertical dimension of occlusion
- Replacement of failing veneers
- Veneers and periodontally involved teeth
- Smile make-overs in the presence of facial asymmetries
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Lectures will be held on Friday and Saturday, February 6 - 7, 2009 at 7:00pm - 10:00pm

Fee include two-night bed & breakfast for two people in a deluxe double queen room, one continuing education enrollment, refreshments on both course days for enrollees, and Welcome Reception for two. Additional guest tickets for the Welcome Reception are available.

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