Course Descriptions

Gingival Pathology in a Dental Office
A case based discussion of differential diagnosis and management of common and challenging pathologies affecting the gingiva in a dental office including lichen planus, leukoplakia, carcinoma, herpetic and aphthous ulcers will be presented.

Speaker: Dr. Nagamani Narayana is an associate professor in Oral Pathology at UNMC College of Dentistry. She is dually trained in Oral Medicine and Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. She is a diplomate of the American Academy of Oral Medicine and American Academy of Oral Pathology.

Risk Factors for Periodontal Disease: An Update on Inflammation
An up-to-date discussion about the current concepts regarding risk factors for inflammatory periodontal disease. This presentation will include the topics of obesity, gender, genetics, socioeconomic background and inflammatory systemic disease.

Speaker: Dr. Amy Killeen is an Assistant Professor in Periodontology at UNMC College of Dentistry. She is a member of the American Academy of Periodontology, the Academy of Osseointegration and a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral Pathology.

Course Objectives
At the completion of this course participants will be able to:

1. Evaluate gingival pathology and develop a differential diagnosis and treatment plan.
2. Identify risk factors for gingival inflammation.
3. Be able to confidently diagnose and treatment plan for endodontic success in the general dental practice.
4. Be able to restore an endodontically treated tooth to serve as an adequate core for a fixed restoration.

Confident Endodontic Case Selection: Why are you referring?
This course will include a clinical discussion of endodontic treatment philosophy and when it makes sense to do the endodontic treatment yourself and when to refer. Included in the discussion will be overview of endodontics including diagnosis, root canal anatomy, treatment options, patient evaluation and case selection. Numerous clinical cases will be shown and discussed.

Speaker: Dr. Thomas J. Beeson, DDS is a 1983 graduate of UNMC College of Dentistry, received his Endodontic Certificate in 1996 from Virginia Commonwealth University and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Endodontics. He completed his 22 year AF career in 2006 as the Chief Military Consultant to the USAF Surgeon General for Endodontics. He is currently Associate Professor and Chairman of the Creighton University Endodontic Department and also maintains a private practice in Omaha and Grand Island.

Restoration of the Endodontically Treated Tooth
This course will include philosophies, techniques, and materials to restore endodontically treated teeth. Numerous clinical cases will be shown and discussed highlighting the "rules" and factors relevant to successful restoration.

Speaker: Dr. Scott DiLorenzo is an Associate Professor of Prosthodontics at the Creighton University School of Dentistry in Omaha, NE. He is a diplomate of the Federal Services Board of General Dentistry, the American Board of General Dentistry, and a Master in the Academy of General Dentistry. He completed a 2-year general dentistry residency at the Wilford Hall U.S.A.F. Medical Center, San Antonio, TX. Dr. DiLorenzo also maintains a private practice in Omaha and is active in dental research centered around dental bonding and restorative materials.