FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

11:00 AM – 11:45 AM

BEYOND CLINICAL AND EDUCATION: EXPLORING THE RANGE OF DENTAL HYGIENE OPPORTUNITIES

Course Description:
Time to explore the wide range of career and leadership opportunities available to you as a dental hygienist. Join us for a panel of dental hygienists who are currently leading the way in settings that you may never have considered. Learn more about their roles in corporate/research, public health, administration, and as an entrepreneur. Following the discussion, panelists will be available for Q&A breakout sessions. Don’t miss this opportunity to take the first step toward mapping out a new career path for yourself.

Learning Objectives:
• Gather information on dental hygiene career opportunities outside of clinical practice and education.
• Learn what needs to be considered before you explore a new career opportunity.
• Discover the importance of developing leadership skills throughout your career.

Panelists:

Corporate/Research:
Deborah Lyle, RDH, BS, MS

Public Health:
Matt Crespin, MPH, RDH

Administrator/DSO:
Tammy Filipiak, RDH, MS

Entrepreneur:
Pam Quinones, RDH, BS
THE EXPANDED SAFETY RESPONSIBILITIES OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS IN THE COVID-19 ERA

Course Description:
As a dental hygienist, you are an oral healthcare provider, educator, role model and cheerleader. You may also be the Infection Control Coordinator (ICC) for your dental practice. If you are taking the lead in infection control or you just take it seriously, as we all should, it’s time to prepare for some big changes as we enter the new normal of COVID-19.

Are you fully prepared to improve your office’s infection prevention program to meet the challenges of this pandemic and the next? Need encouragement when things are not 100% in compliance? Join us as we discuss how to overcome obstacles and get on the right path to safe dentistry.

Learning Objectives:
• Understand the role and responsibilities of the Infection Control Coordinator
• Describe OSHA requirements for the dental practice
• List the resources and training available to guide you through constantly evolving safety requirements
WHERE THERE IS SMOKE THERE IS FIRE! ORAL HEALTH CONCERNS AND EVALI (E-CIGARETTE AND VAPE ASSOCIATED LUNG DISORDER)

Course Description:
Electronic nicotine delivery systems, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes), or vapes first gained popularity in 2004 as a conventional cigarette alternative. Emerging evidence shows that they may not be less harmful after all. Given the potential oral health concerns around smoking nicotine, marijuana and now E-cigarettes and vaping, all oral healthcare practitioners need to know the pathophysiology, latest research, symptom recognition and what EVALI treatment currently looks like – especially since the average age of these patients is just 27 years old.

Join us to learn strategies to successfully identify these medically-complex patients and ensure that all dental appointments are not just successful and safe for your patient, but also for you and your staff.

Learning Objectives:
• Recognize the challenges and trends linking nicotine smoking, electronic cigarettes and the deregulation of cannabinoids on oral health
• Describe the history of vaping related health concerns and EVALI
• Explain the role of vitamin E acetate in the EVALI outbreak
• Summarize CDC treatment recommendations for EVALI
• Learn to identify and be a better resource on vaping-related trends for your patients
SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

CLINICIANS ARE DENTAL TEAM LEADERS

Moderator:
Lynn Ramer, RDH

Course Description:
As a clinician do you consider yourself a leader? During this informative session you will hear from clinical dental hygienists who have taken on leadership roles within their dental team. Learn how these roles have evolved during the current challenges and changes in oral health presented by the pandemic. We’ll discuss the importance of becoming an advocate for your patients and other staff in your practice, and the added importance of this leadership during COVID-19.

Learning Objectives:
• Begin the process of becoming empowered to be a leader within your dental team.
• Change your current mindset and realize you are an oral healthcare leader.
• Discover how leaders pivot during a crisis or a time of change.
• Learn how to become an even better advocate for your patients.

Panelists:
• Tia Meyer, RDH
• Janessa Bock, RDH
• Tiffany Grant, RDH
• Vhari Rust Clark, RDH, BSDH
LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION – THE CHANGING CLIMATE OF DENTAL HYGIENE EDUCATION DURING THE PANDEMIC AND BEYOND

Course Description:
Leaders in dental hygiene education represent a variety of roles and unique perspectives. If you are an educator or interested in education, you will want to hear how these leaders are continuing to navigate the impact of COVID-19 at their institutions. We will also discuss how to best teach students to be resilient in the face of change and empower them to become leaders as they begin their professional careers.

Learning Objectives:
• Discuss the lessons learned from COVID-19 and how we can best respond to a global health crisis moving forward.
• Discuss curriculum changes needed to empower students to embrace the role of independent licensed health care providers and critical thinkers.
• List additional resources (beyond textbooks) to share with students as they prepare for professional leadership roles.
• Discuss strategies for educators to develop their own leadership skills for professional growth and resiliency.

Panelists:
Rebecca Wilder, BSDH, MS  Marion Manski, RDH, MS  Jessica Suedbeck, RDH, MSDH  Brian Partido, MSDH, BSDH  Jessica August, RDH, MS
THE ROLE LEADERSHIP WITHIN ADHA CAN PLAY IN YOUR JOURNEY

Course Description:
Meet dental hygienists turned ADHA leaders. Get inspired as panelists share their unique paths to ADHA leadership and what they learned along the way. If you have been thinking about a leadership position at the local, state or national level, this panel is essential as you begin your own ADHA leadership journey.

Learning Objectives:
• Discover the skills needed to be an ADHA leader.
• Get into the right mindset as you begin or continue your leadership journey with ADHA.
• Explore how to translate ADHA leadership skills into your professional and personal life.

Panelists:
Beth Tronolone, BS, MOL
Cathy Draper, RDH, MS
Jennifer Frame, RDH, BSDH

Amber Lovatos, RDH, BSDH
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12:30 PM – 1:30 PM   |   Lunch & Learn

WHY EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE IN DENTAL HYGIENE MATTERS

**Course Description:**
Navigating COVID-19 and social factors have left many of us feeling conflicted about what we believe and where we stand on the issues both inside and outside of the workplace. As healthcare providers, all aspects of social and emotional awareness affect our ability to achieve career and self-fulfillment. Join us as we take a closer look at the importance of emotional intelligence as a dental hygienist. Together, we'll identify blind spots and learn how to rewrite feelings and reverse triggers that get in the way of our personal and professional success.

**Learning Objectives:**
- Understand the importance of emotional intelligence for dental hygienists.
- Recognize and discover the source of triggers, reactions, and emotions.
- Utilize emotional intelligence to redefine goals and achieve career and self-fulfillment.

**Speaker:**
Dr. Kelly Tanner, RDH
SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

JOURNEYS IN LEADERSHIP PANEL

Course Description:
No matter where you are in your professional and personal leadership journey, get ready to be inspired by our panel packed with dynamic leaders. Join us as panelists share their unique leadership journeys at work and within ADHA. You are sure to leave the session empowered and ready to map out the next steps in your own leadership journey.

Learning Objectives:
• Learn how each person’s leadership journey is unique.
• Explore what leadership opportunities are available outside of the clinical arena.
• Determine next steps as you map out the goals you want to achieve along the way.

Panelists:

Jill Rethman, RDH, BA
Chadleo Webb, MDH, RDH
Deb Astroth, RDH, BSDH