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Friday-Sunday, February 16-18, 2024

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Preliminary Program

FRIDAY

7:30

The Future of Dentistry: How Digital Technology is Revolutionizing the Industry

- Explore the diverse range of applications for digital dentistry and assess essential purchases and investments that dental teams should consider when implementing digital dentistry in their practice.
- Analyze the workflow of digital dentistry in a typical dental practice, identify potential areas for optimization and improvement, and evaluate the benefits of digital dentistry for both dental professionals and patients.
- Identify emerging trends in digital dentistry and their potential impact on the industry, and discuss strategies for effectively marketing and promoting digital dentistry services to patients.

9:30

Adjourn

SATURDAY

7:30

The Art and Science of Digital Denture Fabrication

- Understand the advantages of digital denture fabrication over traditional methods, and explore the benefits of digital dentures for patients, including increased comfort, improved fit, and faster turnaround times.
- Develop streamlined processes and checklists to integrate digital dentures into your dental practice.
- Engage with your dental team and patients to discuss the benefits of digital dentures and educate them on the process and advantages of this approach.
- Evaluate the potential impact of digital dentures on your practice, including increased efficiency and profitability, and stay up-to-date on the latest advancements and best practices in digital denture fabrication to continually improve patient care and outcomes.

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SUNDAY

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Implementing Open-source Digital Dentistry and 3D Printing in Your Practice

- Discuss the concept of open-source digital dentistry, its impact on the dental industry, and the benefits of computer-guided surgery in improving patient outcomes.
- Investigate the use of open-source digital dentistry in creating crowns and bridges.
- Compare it to traditional methods while identifying emerging trends in smile design and dental photography and their impact on patient experience and satisfaction.
- Evaluate the costs and benefits of new technologies in digital dentistry, including 3D printing and review case studies demonstrating its potential for customization and precision while assessing what can and cannot be created through this method.

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Meet Our Expert

Arpit Nirkhivale, BDS, MS, CAGS, FICOL, is an Assistant Professor Faculty with the Division of Prosthodontics at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. Specializing in full Mouth rehabilitation, implant prosthodontics, digital dentistry, and dental photography-, he completed his Prosthodontics residency at the University of Florida, College of Dentistry. He advanced his training with a one-year internship/fellowship program at the Department of Graduate Prosthodontics, University of Florida School of Advanced Dental Sciences. He was also awarded the Fellowship of the International Congress for Oral Implantologists. Dr. Nirkhivale maintains a patient-centered, multidisciplinary, team-based, evidence-based approach to patient care. He has been a part of the teaching team for various implant prosthodontics and digital dentistry courses. He is dedicated to training and developing upcoming dentists and dental professionals with the latest evidence-based education and clinical training.

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