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SEATTLE STUDY CLUB® OF DALLAS

The Seattle Study Club® of Dallas is a network of professional dentists focused on continuing education and collaboration, meeting regularly.

Our interdisciplinary approach provides members with best practices in general, periodontic, orthodontic, endodontic, prosthodontic, oral surgery, and TMD/sleep/pain.

Dr. Amit M Patel of ROOT – Periodontal & Implant Centers, and Center for Oral Pathology, has been the Director of the Seattle Study Club® of Dallas since 2013.

Earn 40+ CE Credit Hours

- 1 Kickoff Doctor Meeting
- 3 Evening Doctor Meetings
- 2 Virtual Doctor Meetings
- 1 Full Day Full Team Meeting
- Invitation to Seattle Study Club Symposiums

6 ROOT™ Dental Hygiene Study Club Meetings – 2 Virtual and 4 in person meetings

All Hygienists in your practice are invited at no charge to them

Meals, drinks, entertainment to all Seattle Study Club® of Dallas events included.



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Dr. Amit Patel

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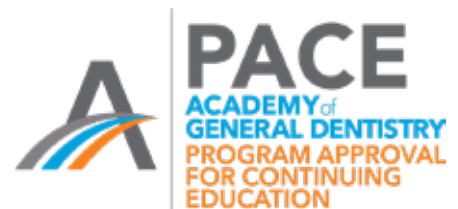
Early Bird Membership

(expires Sept. 14) : \$1,795

Membership Renewal: \$2,195

New Members: \$1,000

Additional Doctors in Practice: \$1,250



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SEATTLE STUDY CLUB® DALLAS SCHEDULE



TOPGOLF

Kick Off Dinner

Thursday, September 25th

Seattle Study Club® Doctors

TIME:

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LOCATION:

Top Golf – Colony

3760 Blair Oaks Dr, The Colony, TX 75056



PROFIT MEETS INNOVATION:

LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGY TO BOOST YOUR BOTTOM LINE

presented by **Dr. Himesh Kana and Dr. Amit Patel**

DATE:

Thursday, October 23

Seattle Study Club® Doctors, Operators, and Office Managers

CHECK-IN:

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

SEMINAR:

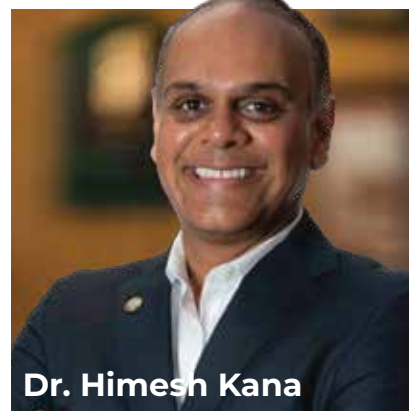
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

LOCATION:

Cane Rosso Carrollton
1301 S Broadway St, Carrollton, TX 75006



Dr. Amit Patel



Dr. Himesh Kana

Course Description:

Join us for a high-impact session where **Dr. Patel and Dr. Kana** will break down the real-world technology tools they're using to elevate profitability and streamline operations in their practices.

From AI integrations to voice automation, we'll explore how platforms like **VoiceStack, OS Dental, SOTA, Pearl, OneStop**, and others are creating measurable value in the dental space. Whether you're looking to cut overhead, improve clinical efficiency, or drive smarter decision-making — this session will give you actionable insights you can implement right away.

NEW THIS YEAR: We're inviting Operators and Office Managers to join the conversation. Their perspective is key in executing the strategies discussed, so RSVP accordingly!

This is one seminar you — and your leadership team — do not want to miss.



AMIT M. PATEL DDS, MSD

Founder of ROOT Periodontal and Implants Center
Co-Founder & Managing Partner of Center for Oral Pathology

Dr. Amit M Patel earned his Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Psychology and Biology as well as his Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) degree from the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor (BIG WOLVERINE FAN – GO BLUE!). Dr. Patel furthered his graduate training by earning his Certificate in Periodontics from Indiana University School of Dentistry, while concurrently earning his Master of Science in Dentistry (MSD) degree along with a minor in Oral Pathology. Throughout his educational career, Dr. Patel has held and currently holds numerous leadership positions and has presided over several committees. He has also been involved in various research projects which have led to several publications and has presented his findings at both the national and international level. Two of his research articles have been published in the reputable Journal of Periodontology.



HIMESH KANA, DDS

General Dentist, Partner-Owner: Dental Depot

Dr. Himesh Kana, originally from London, UK, moved to rural Oklahoma as a child, where he learned the importance of customer service in the hotel industry. A proud Sooner, he attended the University of Oklahoma for undergraduate and dental school. Dr. Kana, now based in Highland Village and Flower Mound, is committed to providing top-notch care, with over 1,000 hours of continuing education. He values community, accessibility, and excellent service. Outside of work, he cherishes time with his family, enjoys travel, sports—especially OU football—and occasionally sneaks in a round of golf. He believes in the significance of nurturing and teaching our children.



ADVANCED TECHNIQUES IN DIGITAL SMILE DESIGN

presented by Dr. Joshua Prentice

DATE:

Thursday, November 13th
Seattle Study Club® Doctors

TIME:

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LOCATION:

Virtual

Zoom link sent out prior to meeting



AGD Subject Code:

780 – Cosmetic Dentistry



Course Description:

This course offers a high-level, practical overview of digital dentistry workflows that support consistent, predictable outcomes across a range of treatments—from anterior smile enhancements and quadrant dentistry to full-mouth rehabilitations and complete dentures. Emphasis will be placed on how clinicians can integrate a streamlined approach using photography, digital scanning, and CAD design to enhance diagnostic precision, communication, and case acceptance.

Attendees will explore both chairside and lab-integrated options for digital design and manufacturing, including 3D printing and milling workflows, and how to adapt them to the clinician's skill set, case complexity, and practice goals. Whether fabricating same-day restorations in-office or collaborating with lab partners for layered aesthetics or removable prosthetics, this course is designed to give clinicians flexible, repeatable systems for delivering excellent care.

Upon completion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Review the key principles of digitally guided treatment planning for aesthetic and functional outcomes.
- Leave with adaptable frameworks to implement or improve digital workflows in general practice settings.
- Learn how to implement photography and intraoral scanning protocols to support comprehensive diagnostics.
- Understand how to coordinate CAD design processes in-office or with remote designers for greater scalability and precision.
- Compare workflows for restorative design—ranging from simple anterior cases to complex full-arch rehabilitations and removable prosthetics.
- Evaluate clinical indications and practice considerations for in-office manufacturing through milling or 3D printing versus lab-based fabrication.

DR. JOSHUA PRENTICE

Owner of Prentice Dental

Dr. Joshua Prentice, originally from Tulsa, Oklahoma, has been passionate about dentistry since spending time at his uncle's dental office as a child. His early love of technology combined with his interest in healthcare led him to the University of Oklahoma, where he earned both his undergraduate degree and his Doctor of Dental Surgery. After practicing for several years in the Pacific Northwest, specifically Bend, Oregon, Dr. Prentice and his family now proudly call Flower Mound, Texas, home.

With over four years of experience utilizing cutting-edge dental technologies like Glidewell Fastmill.io, Dr. Prentice integrates advanced solutions to deliver exceptional care to his patients. His commitment to continuing education is evident in his dedication to completing an average of 150 hours of continuing education annually, ensuring his practice stays ahead of the latest innovations and treatment protocols. Dr. Prentice has gone through extensive training at the Kois Center and graduated with honors.

In addition to his clinical work, Dr. Prentice is passionate about sharing his knowledge with peers, coaching dentists on the latest technological advancements in dental care, and helping them integrate these tools into their own practices.

When he's not in the office, Dr. Prentice enjoys spending time with his high school sweetheart and wife, Ashley, and their four children: Jude, Annabel, Leo, and William. Together, they enjoy traveling, exploring new places, and spending time outdoors. Dr. Prentice also loves running, photography, and staying up-to-date with the latest tech innovations. The family's golden retriever, Cinnamon, is a beloved companion on many of their adventures.



THE KEYS TO UNLOCKING YOUR PRACTICE'S TREASURES

presented by Kay Huff & Laurie Owens

DATE:

Thursday, January 15th
Seattle Study Club® Doctors

CHECK-IN:

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

SEMINAR:

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

LOCATION:

Benco Showroom
501 Lakeside Pkwy, Flower Mound, TX 75028



Kay Huff & Laurie Owens

Lecture of up to 2 hours

Practice Management and Human Relations, AGD Subject Code 550



Course Description:

Dealing with insurance can often be puzzling. In this program, we will discuss the essential pieces of putting your insurance puzzle together. From benefits and understanding fees, to team members' roles—it's always the small pieces that make the big picture come together! Many services provided in your practice are not covered services with dental insurance. Unlock the treasure of how medical billing works to maximize medical benefits while creating patient satisfaction.

Upon completion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Understand the verbiage that shows medical necessity.
- Understand the importance of negotiating insurance fees.
- Examine the application of procedures and how they cross from dental to medical.
- Understand the importance of credentialing and follow up.

LAURIE OWENS

Director of Medical Billing, PPO Profits

With over 18 years of experience in educating dental practices on billing medical insurance, Laurie believes patients should be able to utilize their medical insurance for procedures due to oral systemic conditions. Laurie has assisted dental practices in successfully billing medical insurance to collect benefits that would have otherwise been unclaimed.



KAY HUFF

Practice Solutions Ambassador, Benco Dental

It was over 30 years ago that Kay began helping teams as a Dental Practice Coach, and she has proudly been the driving force for hundreds of practices to reach and exceed their professional goals. Kay is passionate about her work and carries a strong background in dental business systems, team motivation, leadership, and practice profitability.



TRAUMA, TRIUMPH, & TOUGH CHOICES: PUSHING THE ENVELOPE IN THE IMPLANT ERA

presented by Dr. Rajiv Patel

DATE:

Thursday, February 19th
Seattle Study Club® Doctors

TIME:

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LOCATION:

Virtual _____.

Zoom link sent out prior to meeting



Course Description:

The implant era has revolutionized treatment paradigms, creating complex decision-making scenarios between tooth preservation and extraction. With both endodontic treatment and dental implants achieving exceptional survival rates, clinicians face challenging choices requiring systematic diagnostic approaches. Dental trauma management exemplifies these tough decisions, demanding coordinated multidisciplinary strategies, particularly in growing patients. Through case-based analysis of lateral luxation, crown-root fractures, intrusion, and avulsion, this presentation explores pushing therapeutic boundaries while maintaining conservative principles. Success requires understanding when to triumph through preservation versus strategic extraction. Systematic checklists prevent errors in these high-stakes decisions, ensuring optimal outcomes in an era where multiple viable treatment options create both opportunities and dilemmas.



Upon completion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Develop systematic diagnostic frameworks for evaluating tooth preservation versus implant placement in complex cases.
- Master evidence-based trauma management for lateral luxation, crown-root fractures, intrusion, and avulsion scenarios
- Coordinate multidisciplinary care teams for optimal patient outcomes through collaborative treatment approaches
- Identify when to push therapeutic limits versus when conservative approaches are indicated for long-term success
- Create systematic protocols and checklists to minimize errors and enhance consistency in complex treatment planning

RAJIV PATEL, BDS, DDS
Diplomate American Board of Endodontics

The journey began in a small suburb of Mumbai, India, the city which never sleeps with a population of over 21 million today. I was born in India and immigrated to America in the year 2000. After receiving a warm big Texas style welcome in Dallas, Texas, I have returned back home after a break to pursue advanced education in sunny California at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. I had the opportunity to become a Trojan twice with a Doctor in Dental Surgery (DDS) and also a certificate in Endodontics. I graduated with honors and an induction into Omicron Kappa Epsilon, the national dental honor society. As a part-time clinical instructor at USC, School of Dentistry in the Urgent Care Center gave me an opportunity to train dental students in the diagnosis, management and treatment of patients presenting with dental pain.

Being a dentist for 20 years has allowed me the opportunity to enjoy all aspects of dentistry and pursue one of my long term passions which is Endodontics. The precision and advances in the diagnosis and treatment of root canal related conditions had always excited me and continues to do so everyday. Along this journey I was fortunate to have some small and big milestones.

One such big milestone was to be the first Board Certified Endodontist in the Flower Mound area, the highest honor in endodontics awarded by The American Board of Endodontics.

I am a fellow and founding member of The International Academy of Endodontics, faculty at International Endodontic Institute and in addition I am active member of various other specialist organizations. I have the privilege to serve on the advisory board of the DFW dental study club which is an affiliate of the prestigious Seattle study club.

Over the years I have published clinical papers on topics in endodontics and have won several awards for presentations at state and national levels. I have presented at a number of conferences both locally and nationally.

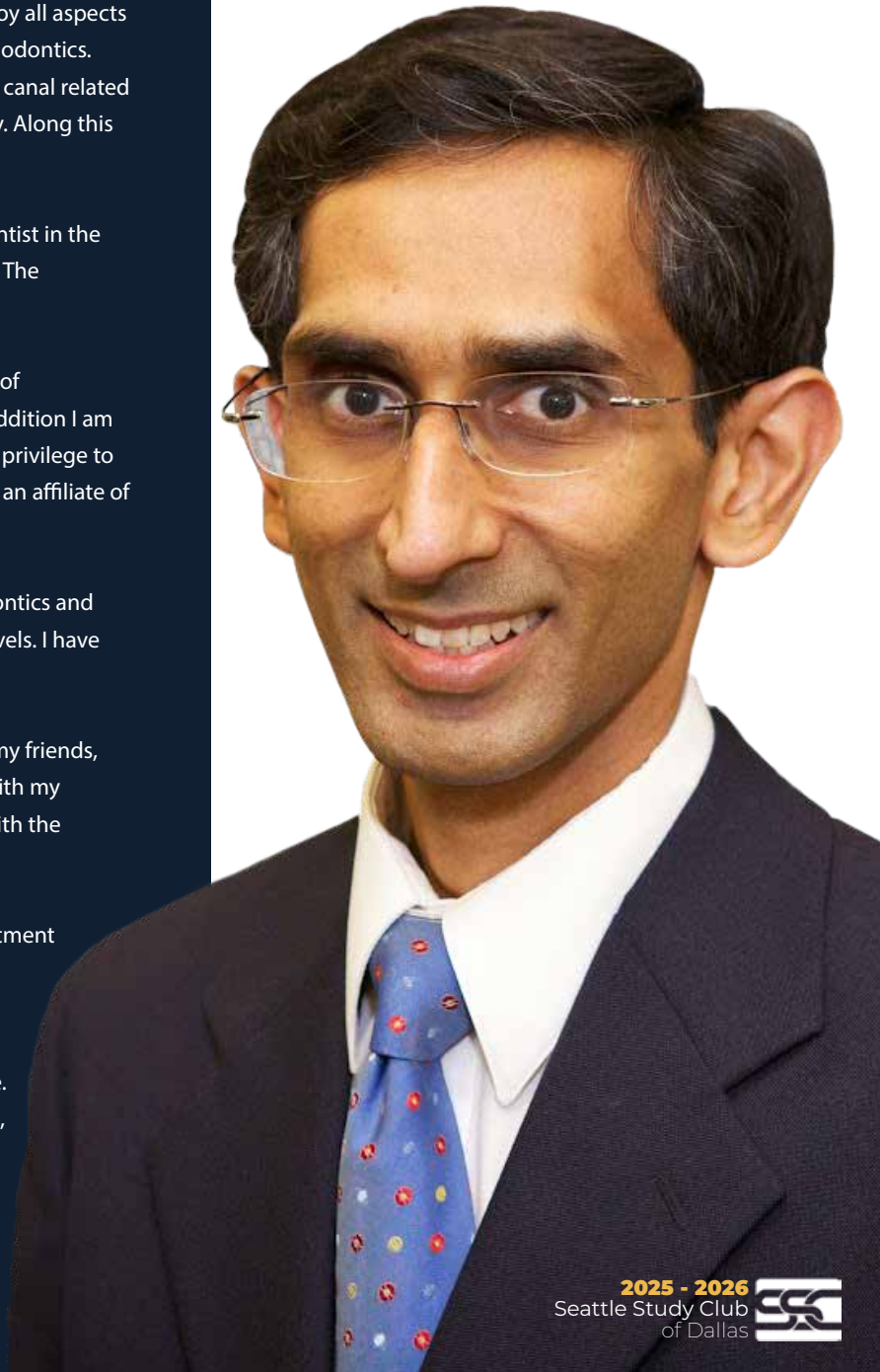
My accomplishments are hollow without the love and support of my friends, family and most importantly my patients! I enjoy the interaction with my patients and accept the challenge of alleviating fears associated with the thought of having a root canal procedure.

My special clinical interests are – 3D imaging in diagnosis and treatment in dentistry, management of dental trauma and challenging variations in root canal anatomy.

My wife and I have two beautiful daughters and call Lantana home. In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, dancing with my daughters, new age music, reading, entertaining and I plan to learn some golf.



Endodontic Excellence
Your experience counts



FULL TEAM EVENT: CREATING A CULTURE OF ACCOUNTABILITY

presented by David Schwab

DATE:

Friday, March 27th

Seattle Study Club® Doctors & Full Team

CHECK-IN:

8:00 am – 9:00 am

SEMINAR:

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

LOCATION:

The Marq at Southlake

285 Shady Oaks Dr, Southlake, TX 76092



REGISTER YOUR
TEAM BY FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 27th!

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David Schwab

Lecture of up to 6 hours

Course Description:

This upbeat and motivational course has a very practical purpose: to help practices fully implement new ideas, protocols, and systems. This lecture gives all members of the team the skills they need to develop and formulate messages and protocols and hold everyone accountable for success. When the practice culture is about accountability, things get done and results are achieved. Attendees will learn how to develop a core marketing message and communicate it effectively to patients; get items checked off their “to-do” lists so you can keep the practice moving forward; make sure that all patients know that you are accepting new patients; and turn every incoming call into a marketing opportunity. Attendees will leave with the skills they need to not just talk about but actually implement practice improvements

Upon completion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Identify strategies to take personal responsibility for job performance and the success of the practice.
- Understand ways to move the practice forward by setting and achieving realistic goals and getting items checked off their to-do list.

DAVID SCHWAB, PH.D.,
David Schwab & Associates, Inc

David Schwab, Ph.D., is a professional speaker, author, and consultant who helps dentists grow their practices, educate their patients, and train their teams so that the practices will be more profitable.

An internationally known seminar speaker, Dr. Schwab presents practical, user-friendly practice management and marketing seminars for the entire dental team. Fast-paced, filled with humor, and overflowing with “pearls,” Dr. Schwab’s seminars are as popular as they are useful. His lecture topics include patient education, marketing, team training and accountability, effectively managing practice transitions, improving verbal skills, and increasing case acceptance.

Dr. Schwab also works extensively with referral-based practices to help dental specialists develop and maintain strong referral relationships. He works with specialists and small groups of general dentists to systematize referrals and develop outreach programs that attract more referral sources.

Prior to starting his own company, Dr. Schwab served as Director of Marketing for the American Dental Association and as Executive Director of the American College of Prosthodontists. He has also worked with numerous dental schools, major corporations, and private dental practices.

At the present time he runs a dental practice consulting firm, David Schwab & Associates, Inc. The company provides practice management seminars and team management and leadership training for dental professionals.

Recognized as a prolific author, Dr. Schwab’s practice management and marketing articles have appeared in numerous publications, including the Journal of the American Dental Association, Dental Economics, the Seattle Journal of the American Dental Association, Dental Economics, the Seattle Study Club Journal, and the Journal of the Canadian Dental Association.

Dr. Schwab holds a Ph.D. in English from Northwestern University.

A native of New Orleans, he currently lives in the Orlando, Florida area.

SCHWAB



COLLECTED PEARLS: A KNOWLEDGE SHARING FORUM

Info sharing session and group
discussion

DATE:

Thursday, April 23rd

Seattle Study Club® Doctors

CHECK-IN:

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

SEMINAR:

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

LOCATION:

Benco Showroom

501 Lakeside Pkwy, Flower Mound, TX 75028



Course Description:

One of the most anticipated events of the year is back! Each SSC of Dallas member is invited to bring:

- **Three Clinical Pearls** – A treatment insight, technique, or product that's made a real impact.
- **Three Business Pearls** – An operational tip, system, or "small-but-mighty" idea that's changed the way you practice.

We're looking for game-changing strategies—whether they're bold innovations or everyday hacks we've been overlooking. All pearls will be compiled into a printed **PEARL BOOKLET**, provided exclusively to attendees.

Attendance Rule: You must submit your pearls at least 1 month in advance to attend and receive the booklet. No exceptions!

This event has been a fan favorite for years—and many of us are still applying pearls we picked up long ago. Don't miss your chance to contribute and grow.



SEATTLE STUDY CLUB® DINNER



End of Season Dinner

Thursday, May 28th
Seattle Study Club® Doctors

TIME:

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LOCATION:

Las Caminos

880 International Pkwy, Flower Mound, TX 75022



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SEATTLE STUDY CLUB® OF DALLAS

Academic Calendar

Thursday, September 25, 2025
Kick Off Dinner

Thursday, October 23, 2025
Profit Meets Innovation: Leveraging Technology to Boost Your Bottom Line

Thursday, November 13, 2025
Advanced Techniques in Digital Smile Design

Thursday, January 15, 2026
The Keys to Unlocking Your Practice's Treasures

Thursday, February 19, 2026
Trauma, Triumph, & Tough Choices: Pushing the Envelope in the Implant Era

Friday, March 27, 2026
Full Team Event: Creating a Culture of Accountability

Thursday, April 23, 2026
Collected Pearls: A Knowledge Sharing Forum

Thursday, May 8, 2026
End of Season Dinner

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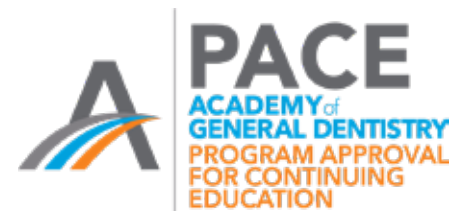
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DENTAL HYGIENE STUDY CLUB
2025 - 2026

ROOT™ Dental Hygiene Study Club

DENTAL HYGIENE STUDY CLUB SCHEDULE

TRUCK YARD

Happy Hour Mixer + 2 CE Credit Hours

Thursday, September 18th

ROOT™ Dental Hygiene Study Club

TIME:

6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

LOCATION:

Truck Yard – Colony

Side Stage Brewery Patio

5959 Grove Ln, The Colony, TX 75056

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Admission for Non-Members: \$35



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REGISTER

CHALLENGING CASES IN ORAL PATHOLOGY

presented by Dr. Paras Patel & Hemali Patel, RDH

DATE:

Thursday, October 9th
ROOT™ Dental Hygiene Study Club

SEMINAR:

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LOCATION:

Virtual



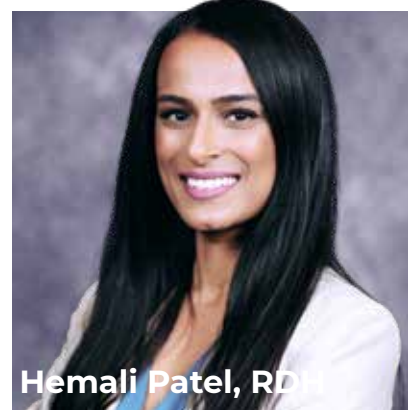
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\$35

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Dr. Paras Patel



Hemali Patel, RDH

Course Description:

This is a non-traditional lecture that is heavily clinical based that will provide insight on a practical approach to clinical pathologic diseases. We will review cases through the eyes of the clinician and provide a methodical approach to obtaining a diagnosis for challenging and somewhat complex cases. We will discuss the value of a good clinical examination and emphasize the necessity of reviewing a patient's medical history. In all, this course will provide a global view of the critical pieces of information that are required to obtain a definitive diagnosis and provide direction to patients with complex oral diseases.



Upon completion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- The attendee will gain knowledge about the etiopathogenesis of specific disease processes and gain confidence in discussing necessary steps as well as their thoughts about these diseases.
- The attendee will understand the importance of a good clinical examination and the necessity of reviewing the patient's medical history. The attendee will learn the relevant questions to ask to obtain critical pieces of information to aid in obtaining a diagnosis.
- The attendee will be able to determine what key pieces of clinical information are necessary to obtain a definitive diagnosis and be able to determine what clinical findings may represent red herrings.
- The attendee will be able recognize the clinical manifestations of specific pathologic diseases.

DR. PARAS PATEL

Chief Medical Officer – Center for Oral Pathology

Dr. Patel is a board-certified oral and maxillofacial pathologist with a passion for patient care and diagnostic precision. He earned his dental degree from Howard University in 2011 and began his career serving underserved communities through a mobile dental unit in Lubbock, Texas.

He later completed his residency at TAMU (Baylor) College of Dentistry, where he also served as a faculty member and surgical pathologist, treating patients with a wide range of oral diseases. Dr. Patel went on to found the Center for Oral Pathology and currently leads the oral pathology division at ProPath. He also serves as an Associate Editor for the Texas Dental Journal.

"Patients are my highest priority, which makes our work at the Center for Oral Pathology so meaningful to me."




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HEMALI PATEL, RDH, BS, MS

Chief Marketing Officer – Center for Oral Pathology

Hemali Patel is a dental hygienist with over 16 years of clinical experience and a multifaceted career in education, research, sales, and leadership. She currently serves as Chief Marketing Officer at the Center for Oral Pathology, combining her clinical background with strategic marketing to elevate the field of oral pathology.

A former Associate Professor at Texas A&M Baylor College of Dentistry, Hemali also brings 12+ years of dental sales experience across pharmaceuticals, implants, and fintech solutions. Her passion for research includes collaborations with Colgate and Cavitron, and she currently works with Dr. Paras Patel on Phase 2 trials for topical chemotherapy patches.

She also volunteers with the North Texas Medical Examiner's Office in forensic dentistry, contributing to her well-rounded commitment to advancing dental care through science, strategy, and service.



ROOT™
DENTAL HYGIENE STUDY CLUB

TRAFFICKING HAPPENS HERE:

HUMAN TRAFFICKING TRAINING FOR DENTAL PROFESSIONALS

presented by **Kandice Swarthout**

DATE:

Thursday, December 11th

ROOT™ Dental Hygiene Study Club

CHECK-IN:

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

SEMINAR:

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

LOCATION:

Denton Women's Club

610 Oakland St, Denton, TX 76201

ADMISSION FOR NON-MEMBERS:

\$75

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Course Description:

Human trafficking is a rapidly increasing public health and safety issue in the United States. It is the fastest rising commerce in the world with over 200,000 minors at risk in the United States. People are forced into labor or sexual exploitation with deception and intimidation. It is reported that up to 80% of victims are seen by a healthcare provider while captive. Often, victims will not identify themselves as such due to the fear of being further abused by their captor. Dental care providers are perfectly positioned to identify the signs and report suspected human trafficking. By educating dental clinicians, victims of trafficking may be more likely to be rescued and receive the appropriate resources recovery. This course will define types of trafficking, differentiate between sex trafficking and sex work, identify at-risk populations, describe how to identify and report trafficked patients, and discuss trauma-informed care.



Upon completion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Learn the concepts and use of Trauma-Informed Care.
- Identify local and national resources for trafficked persons.
- Understand the procedures in which to report a potentially trafficked person.
- Understand the definition of human trafficking, who is at risk, recruitment techniques, and the different types of trafficking.
- Learn how to identify a person that is being trafficked through screening and observing clinical signs, and when it is mandated to report.

KANDICE SWARTHOUT, RDH, LPC

The Counselor Hygienist

Kandice is a Licensed Professional Counselor and Registered Dental Hygienist. She is a full-time dental hygiene educator in Texas where she teaches community dentistry and research. Kandice is the owner of Inspired Education & Wellness where she is a speaker, writer, and private practice therapist.

Kandice is trained in a trauma-focused therapy called Accelerated Resolution Therapy and a certified QPR Suicide Awareness Educator. She combines her clinical dental and mental health experience to help other healthcare professionals have a fulfilling work-life experience.

Kandice is an approved provider under Texas Health and Human Services for human trafficking training for healthcare professionals. She is also the owner of Muffins & Mimosas Dental Study that offers fun in-person dental CE that brings together friends in an inclusive and relaxed environment.

Read her articles in Dentistry IQ, Today's RDH, and RDH Magazine. Contact Kandice at www.kandiceswarthout.com or on social media @The Counselor Hygienist.



THE PATIENT. THE PERSON. THE PROMISE. THE PROBLEM. DELIVERING CLINICAL & BUSINESS EXCELLENCE BY CENTERING ON THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE

presented by Cary Smith

DATE:

Thursday, January 8th
ROOT™ Dental Hygiene Study Club

SEMINAR:

6:00 am – 8:00 pm

LOCATION:

Virtual  zoom

ADMISSION FOR NON-MEMBERS:

\$35

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Course Description:

This course explores how dental professionals can elevate clinical care, patient relationships, and practice success by intentionally focusing on the person behind the patient. We'll examine how aligning clinical excellence with human-centered care, realistic expectations, and operational clarity can reduce risk, improve outcomes, and drive practice growth.



Upon completion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Establish clear, trust-building patient expectations.
- Apply strategies to optimize patient experience and practice operations.
- Differentiate between viewing patients as clinical cases vs. whole persons.
- Understand how clinical complexity intersects with business performance.
- Identify common problems that arise from misaligned expectations and fragmented systems.

CARY SMITH

Certified Professional in Healthcare Risk Management

Cary Smith is a certified professional in healthcare risk management with over 17 years in the healthcare field helping doctors and dentists open and run successful practices. He has founded three niche companies that work together to create cohesive risk management and compliance-oriented approach to ownership.

At his core, Cary is concerned about helping medical entrepreneurs be confident in managing and tracking their biggest asset: their people.

Previous to the medical world, Cary was an HR professional sourcing top-notch talent for large organizations and after watching his brother, an oral surgeon in Austin, TX, struggle with the compliance and people aspect of ownership, he knew there was an opportunity to help streamline these aspects of ownership.

In the work he does, Cary has found a common theme:

doctors are driven to open a clinic but lack the joy and deep love for ownership that they were promised. The solution is not simple or singular, but with compliance at the forefront of everything he does, Cary presents at study clubs, conferences, and group meetings of all sizes to share insights on risk management, leadership, and talent.

Cary attended the University of Texas at Austin and when he's not at work, can be found cheering on the Longhorns, drinking a Shiner Bock at his family's ranch, or tending to his bee hives with his two daughters.



SYNERGIZING ORAL HEALTH: COLLABORATIVE STRATEGIES FOR RDH + DDS

Treatment Planning Session

presented by Dr. Himesh Kana and Dr. Amit Patel

DATE:

Wednesday, April 15

ROOT™ Dental Hygiene Study Club

CHECK-IN:

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

SEMINAR:

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

LOCATION:

Lancaster Theatre

300 S Main St, Grapevine, TX 76051

ADMISSION FOR NON-MEMBERS:

\$35

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Dr. Amit Patel

Dr. Himesh Kana

Course Description:

This dynamic course is designed to enhance collaboration between Dental Hygienists and Dentists in treatment planning sessions aiming to optimize patient care and outcomes. Recognizing the pivotal roles of both RDHs and DDSs in comprehensive oral health care, this session delves into effective strategies for synergistic treatment planning.



Participants will explore various aspects of collaborative treatment planning including:

- **Interprofessional communication:** learn effective communication techniques tailored to treatment planning sessions, fostering clarity, mutual understanding, and respect between RDHs and DDSs.
- **Patient centered care:** understand the importance of patient centered treatment planning integrated patient preferences values and priorities into decision making processes.
- **Comprehensive assessment:** develop skills in conducting thorough patient assessments, to inform collaborative treatment planning.
- **Evidence based decision making:** utilize current evidence based practices and guidelines to help treatment planning decisions, ensuring optimal patient outcomes and long term oral health.
- **Case based discussions:** engage in interactive case discussions, analyzing complex patient cases to develop collaborative treatment plans tailored to individual patient needs.
- **Ethical considerations:** explore at the comb dilemmas commonly encountered in treatment planning, and develop strategies for navigating these challenges while upholding professional ethics and standards.
- **Practice integration:** discover practical strategies for integrating collaborative treatment planning processes into dental practice workflows, enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness.
- **Continuing education and professional development:** recognize the value of ongoing education and professional development in fostering collaboration between our RHDs and DDSs, And explore opportunities for further learning and skill development.

Through interactive discussions, case studies, and practical exercises, participants will leave this session equipped with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to foster effective collaboration in treatment planning sessions, ultimately enhancing patient care and promoting oral health excellence.

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Happy Hour

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Thursday, May 7th

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Hygienists

TIME:

5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

LOCATION:

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Thursday, September 18, 2025
Happy Hour Mixer

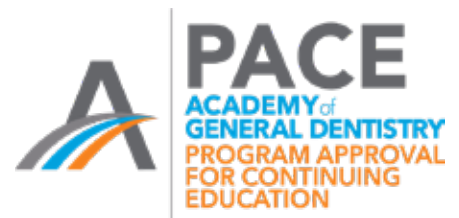
Thursday, October 9, 2025
Challenging Cases in Oral Pathology

Thursday, December 11, 2025
Trafficking Happens Here: Human
Trafficking for Dental Professionals

Thursday, January 8, 2026
The Patient. The Person. The Promise. The Problem.
Delivering Clinical & Business Excellence by
Centering on the Human Experience

Wednesday, April 15, 2026
Synergizing Oral Health: Collaborative Strategies for RDH+DDS

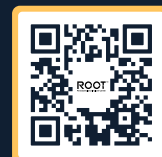
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End of Season Happy Hour Mixer



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