NEWSLETTER OF MARCH 2023



Save the Date: VIRTUAL CLASS, 7-9PM

Wednesday, March 22, 2023
Caring for the Older Generation



Treating our seasoned patients can pose challenges that may affect daily life of the elderly. With the majority of medications listing xerostomia as a side

effect, the oral implications of aging and disease management is a common concern. Add in dexterity and mobility concerns, and the ability to care for oneself often deteriorates drastically. Having the knowledge to recognize the cause and having solution options to treat the conditions and improve ease of care can create strong trusting relationships with your patients. Objectives:

- Attendees will review the oralsystemic impacts on geriatric
- Review of common ailments affecting the older generation
- Introduce alternative methods to combat common oral conditions
- Discuss recommendation options that may be instrumental for maintaining dentition

Jamie Collins, RDH is a clinical practicing hygienist in Idaho and Washington. She has been in the dental field for nearly twenty years both as an assistant and hygienist. She is also an educator, and has contributed to multiple textbooks, and curriculum development. Additionally, she is frequently published in *RDH Magazine*, *DentistylQ* and *RDH eVillage* among others. Staff members are welcome to participate as this is a great CDE for the whole team. This class will not be recorded.

Register for this free virtual class online on the SCDS website at:

www.scdentists.org/meetingsevents/calendar-of-events



PRESIDENT'S LETTER, Dr. Clio Samia-Lindenauer

Hello fellow Sno-Co dentists!

Running a dental practice has so many challenges, and at this moment it seems some of the biggest are finding and hiring quality staff members, especially hygienists. There simply are not enough hygienists to fill open positions, and the going rate is unstable and often unrea-

sonable. We are our own worst enemies in driving up wages as so many offices are desperate to attract new candidates. This problem has been building for years, and there's no easy answer in sight. For a few years WSDA has been talking about "workforce" as a high priority topic, and you can see current proposed solutions at https://www.wsda.org/member-center/advocacy/workforce.

Many of these proposals are reasonable, though personally I would love to see some promise for a dental hygiene program in Snohomish County. Thus far there is no potential location for said program, and we also need a person/group willing to champion the backing and organizing of a new hygiene school. If any of you have connections to our local community colleges or have ideas on a potential home for a new hygiene school, we need to hear them! If you've got other thoughts on how we can address these problems, shout them out.

Cheers to oral health month and hopefully some well-deserved Spring Breaks.

TOOTHAPALOOZA 2023 - THANKS VOLUNTEERS!







Thanks to our member volunteers who participated on February 17, at Imagine Children's Museum in Everett. Dr. Yanling Liu, Ms. Brittany Bevis-Sciuto, Snohomish Health District, Dr. Daniel Seetin, Dr. Clio Samia-Lindenauer, Dr. Greg Fjeran, Dr. Kerry Olszewski, Ms. Kacy Starkenberg, Dr. Andrew Sholudko, Dr. Daniel Brady, Dr. Crystal Vo, Dr. Aimi Mizutani and Ms. Shelby Case. Special thanks to Frank Nowtash and SeaPort Dental Supply. Also, Burkhart Dental Supply, the ADA Foundation and Give Kids A Smile, and the Arcora Foundation. Special thanks to Kelly Beebout and the Sno-Isle Dental Assisting Program. What a great night for community support and family fun!



SCDS Email Address

As a reminder, we are no longer using the scdentists@comcast.net email address for the Society. This address was retired nearly 3 years ago and is no longer monitored. Please update your records with

info@scdentists.org. Thank you for your attention to this! We want to be responsive to your emails!

SEATTLE-KING CO CLINIC April 27-30, 2023

The Seattle/King County Clinic (SKCC) brings together health care organizations, civic agencies, non-profits, private businesses, and volunteers from across Washington state to produce a giant free health clinic at Seattle Center. Those interested in volunteering at the SKCC can sign up at https://seattlecenter.org/ volunteers/. SCDS member dentists Brittany Dean and Ivy Lin have served as Dental Team Directors at past events. Those who have volunteered in the past say it's an inspiring and memorable experience.

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MEETINGS — PLAN AHEAD!

April 19, 2023 Member meeting at Shawn O'Donnell's featuring new UW Dean Andre Ritter and UW Professor Ali Sadr speaking on digital dentistry.

May 17, 2023 Member Meeting at Shawn O'Donnell's - WSDA State of the State and Election Results. June 15-17 is PNDC in downtown Seattle.

No SCDS meetings in June, July or August.

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