



DR. MEL HAWKINS

Code	S37
Time	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Tuition	\$0
Credits	3
Audience	D A H O

Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office – Medical Emergencies in Life! (LECTURE)

As health professionals we must be increasingly aware that we are treating an aging and pharmacologically drug dependent and ambulatory population. How can we be expected to respond/react to life threatening situations when they “never occur?” Simplicity! Practical equipment adjuncts, a few good drugs, “red flags” of predisposing medical conditions, vasoconstrictor interactions and local anesthetic overdoses will be assessed. The syncope algorithm is universally applicable to initially treating ANY and ALL emergencies. The team approach is emphasized. Morbidity/mortality case reports, anecdotes including situations encountered in over 40 years in dentistry will cover dental office, family, neighborhood, shopping center and sports experiences.

At the conclusion of this course, the participant will be able to:

- Appreciate the differences between true emergencies, urgencies, annoyances and non-events
- Comprehend the pharmacology of a very few drugs including oxygen and make an emergency kit
- Consider the physiological differences between the adult, the child and the senior citizen
- Assess Case Reports, in the dental office and in day-to-day life

No prior level of skill, knowledge, or experience is required for participation in this course.



DR. BARRY TAYLOR



DR. CAROLINE DEVINCENZI

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Green Dentistry: What You Need to Know about THC and Oral Health (LECTURE)

Marijuana is the most commonly used recreational drug in the United States. 23 states currently have some form of legalized marijuana; eight states have legalized it for recreational use. It is estimated that over 10% of the US population uses it at least once a year. This course will be an unbiased and evidence based presentation of marijuana and its role in dentistry. We will present an introduction to the usage of marijuana in the general public population, the pharmacology of marijuana, and how the use of marijuana by your patients affects their dental care. We will address areas of possible research of THC and dentistry, and an introduction to cannabinoids and ‘medical marijuana.’

At the conclusion of this course, the participant will be able to:

- Understand the pharmacology and pharmacokinetics of marijuana
- Understand how marijuana usage by patients affects their oral health; specific focus on oral pathology, caries risk, and periodontal disease
- Understand interactions of THC with commonly used prescribed medications and be familiar with medical emergencies related to THC
- Learn how to communicate with your patients regularly using cannabis
- Explore future areas of research in regards to periodontal health, wound healing, and caries control
- Have an introduction to ‘medical marijuana’ and cannabinoid

No prior level of skill, knowledge, or experience is required for participation in this course.

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