

On the Cusp

October 2020 Newsletter



NV AGD and Dentsply Sirona Present:

Implant Therapy for the Edentulous Patient

Date: Wednesday, Oct. 14th, 2020 // 6-8 pm PST

Location: LIVE Virtual CE event
(2 CE Credits Provided by Dentsply)

[Register Here](#)

Speaker: Jimmy Stegall

Course Description: A review of the latest workflow and treatment options Implant therapy in the edentulous or soon-to-be edentulous patient is an expanding segment of clinical practice. Thanks to advancements in technologies and techniques, dental professionals are now able to predictably increase function, form and esthetics for this patient population. The purpose of this course is to provide an overview of the evolving treatment options and planning concepts that help contribute to successful full arch treatment. Specific challenges with the edentulous population as well as clinical tips and pitfalls found in specific clinical situations will be discussed.

Greetings Nevada AGD Members

As we enter into fall there are so many things to look forward to with cooler weather, an upcoming election and hopefully some downtime with those we love most during the holidays.

We are excited to announce our first CE opportunity with Dentsply Sirona on [Wednesday, October 14th from 6-8 pm.](#)

Join our [Facebook](#) page to find resources, reminders and CE opportunities. If you have concerns, suggestions, would like to attend an officer meeting or have an interest in volunteering for leadership opportunities, please email us at agdnevada@gmail.com.

All the best,

Emily Ishkanian Neal DMD
NV AGD, President



Welcome to our Newest Members

Welcome Students

Dr. Laurenc Kodra

Interested in Leadership with AGD NV?

As we begin to do incredible things, we'd love to have *your* help. If you are passionate about:

- Social media, or contributing an article or case presentation
- Engaging dentists & students
- Shaping dentistry through Advocacy
- Providing relevant CE, want to help determine the CE that is offered or have a CE contact

We could use amazing people to help us...including our remarkable students. Connect with us at agdnevada@gmail.com.



Election Information

Early Voting: October 17-30
NV Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: October 27
Deadline to register is: November 3

For additional voter information, [check here](#).

We Want to Get to Know You?

Now that we are social distancing, it's even more critical to make connections, learn about what makes us so similar but more importantly, we can learn from our differences.

Send a personal photo and a short answer to these questions to agdnevada@gmail.com.

1. Where do you practice?
2. Why AGD?
3. What do you do for work/life balance?

Because Some of Us Aren't Neutral

[Interested to know which Nevada legislators voted in favor of dental therapists in 2019?](#)

As a result of the 2019 Nevada Legislative Session, it became *painfully* apparent that dentists and patients needed a voice in the political landscape. 2019 was the year some Nevada dental organizations claimed neutrality to dental therapists while others valiantly fought in the best interest of our patients and profession by opposing dental therapy and representing the profession we worked so hard to be a part of.

Advocacy is about preparing for every scenario, standing by the ideals and values of your supporting members, continuously educating legislators and developing positive relationships to convey a message... **a dentist's message**. Because we believe after years of education, treating patients and serving the community, your voice is relevant and important to share what's in the best interest of our patients and the profession of dentistry.

So, we're here, banding together with other specialties to begin to have a meaningful voice in the state of Nevada. **Because some of us aren't neutral (and we don't think you should be either), we are asking you to PARTICIPATE in the political process, SUPPORT a candidate that gives you an opportunity to communicate, and finally VOTE!** Our voice is futile without the power to make change.

Studying for the AGD Fellowship Exam

By Daniel Egbert DMD, NV AGD President Elect

I have been an AGD member since graduating from dental school. I did a GPR and started working at a public health clinic in Northern Nevada. Many of my teachers were Fellows of the AGD, and I learned early the advantages of being dedicated to CE and working towards the distinction of AGD awards. As I was far from earning the 500 CE credits, my sights were not immediately on the fellowship exam. But this year, I finally researched the exam, and to my surprise I could have taken the exam from the beginning. **It has been six years since dental school, and now I realize it is recommended to take the exam as soon after school as is permitted.**

I decided to take the comprehensive [Fellowship Review Course](#) and I also used the [AGD Study Guide Materials](#) to refresh my memory. However, several of the instructors recommended studying the Part 2 Dental Decks. I used the comments for each question to learn more about the thought process and focused on the questions I got wrong.

I was fairly nervous going into the exam and wasn't sure what to expect. The exam seemed focused on multifaceted thinking questions based on material, procedures, clinical judgment, and general medical knowledge and weaving them together. And yes, it reminded me a lot of the Part 2 Boards.

Recommendations:

1. Take the Fellowship Exams as soon after dental school as possible.
2. Study Part 2 Dental Decks
3. Use the AGD Study Materials

Upcoming Webinars from AGD

[Implant Dentistry in the New Age of Zirconia Ceramics and Digital Technology](#)

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM CDT

Subject: 690 Implants

Presented by: John A. Sorensen, DMD, PhD, FACP

Fee: FREE - This course is sponsored by Ivoclar Vivadent

[Oral Cancer: An Update - Part 1](#)

Tuesday, October 13, 2020: 7:30 PM - 9 PM

Subject: 730 Oral Medicine, Oral Diagnosis and Oral Pathology

Presented by: Ashley Clark, DDS, DABOMP

Fee: \$37.50 Student, \$75 Members, Non-Members \$125

[Oral Cancer: An Update - Part 2](#)

Tuesday, October 20 2020: 7:30 PM - 9 PM

Subject: 730 Oral Medicine, Oral Diagnosis and Oral Pathology

Presented by: Ashley Clark, DDS, DABOMP

Fee: \$37.50 Student, \$75 Members, Non-Members \$125

[Endodontic Treatment of Geriatric Patients](#)

Thursday October 22, 2020: 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. CDT

Presented by Dr. Manor Haas, DDS, Cert. Endo., MSc, FRCD(C)

Fee: Members: \$75; Member Staff: \$75; Students: \$37.50; Non-Members: \$125