

The Marriage of Esthetics, Occlusion and Comprehensive Dentistry

A unique lecture experience - 3 1/2 credit hours

Presented by Dr. Gary Alex

Patient demand for cosmetic dentistry has never been greater. This has led many dentists to invest considerable time, effort, and money, mastering various cosmetic procedures and techniques. While this is commendable, it should be recognized that it is one thing to be able to make pretty teeth, and an entirely different thing to make pretty teeth that actually last and function in harmony with the rest of the masticatory system. An acceptable cosmetic result, without regard for function and/or parafunction, will often result in premature case failure. **What the truly successful clinician of today** requires is a logical and systematic methodology in approaching cosmetic/restorative cases that will lead to a reasonably predictable and durable end result. This requires a practical understanding of fundamental occlusal principles, materials, and more importantly, just how to use them. This program will stress the concept of comprehensive dentistry and show how to predictably treatment plan and provide dentistry ranging from porcelain veneers to complex full-mouth reconstructions.

- Envisioning the big picture (total dentistry for total success)
- Cosmetics and occlusion (it looks great, but will it last?)
- The comprehensive exam (the place to start)
- Anatomy and diagnosis of the TMJ (occlusion begins here)
- Introduction to occlusal science (force be with you?)
- Facebow transfers (why and how)
- Centric relation bite records (bilateral manipulation, Lucia jigs, Leaf gauges, and more!)
- Esthetics and function (why you must have both to be successful)
- How to approach a full mouth reconstruction (CR? MIP? NM?)
- When to use CR...and when not to!
- Vertical Dimension - How do you determine where it should be?
- Neuromuscular Occlusion (fact or fiction?)
- Effective lab communication (a critical key to success!)

This program is continually one of the highest rated programs at major dental meetings.

Dr. Alex is past program director in occlusion for Esthetic Advantage and Pac Live.

DATE: May 19th 2010 5:00 - 8:30 PM (Refreshments will be served)

PLACE: Residence Inn, Plainview, Long Island COST: \$185 dentists - \$95 staff

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