BioHorizons to host its Global Symposium

BioHorizons will host its 2009 Global Symposium from April 30 through May 2 at the Hilton Chicago. This educational event will focus on recent advances in digital dentistry, treatment planning, implant surface treatments, tissue regeneration and implant specific restorations.

Scientific sessions will bring together the outstanding and diverse expertise of top dental clinicians such as Drs. Carl E. Misch, Michael A. Pikos, Maurice Salama, Edward P. Allen and Scott Ganz to provide insight into today’s most challenging implant and regeneration topics, including technical advances in diagnostic three-dimensional imaging and treatment planning software.

Each clinician-moderated session will feature a panel discussion of audience-submitted questions that fosters a highly interactive learning environment. The three days of continuing education will include hands-on training sessions and dedicated educational tracks for auxiliary and office staff.


BioHorizons continues to be one of the fastest growing dental implant companies in the industry because of unique offerings such as Laser-Lok® microchannels, VIP 2.1 treatment planning software and gold-hued esthetic abutments provided with every bone level implant system. Symposium presentations will illustrate the unique position of BioHorizons to assist dental clinicians throughout the continuum of care.

“Each year, the BioHorizons Global Symposium stimulates invaluable interaction within the dental implant community,” said Steve Boggan, BioHorizons president and CEO. “In the current global economic climate, it is important to develop advanced knowledge and strong relationships to achieve superior esthetic results for patients and generate new opportunities for dental practices.”

To register and view schedules, detailed session topics and hotel information, go to www.biohorizons.com, or call (866) 872-9785.

Register early; attendance will be limited to maintain an environment conducive to learning. This event will offer up to 20 C.E. credit hours.

About BioHorizons, Inc.

BioHorizons is a leading oral reconstructive device company at the forefront of digital dentistry. The company has a broad product offering, including dental implants, surgical planning software, regenerative products, CAD/CAM and traditional dental restorations. BioHorizons has a direct sales force in the United States, Canada, Germany, Spain, United Kingdom, Australia, Mexico and Chile. Products are distributed in the rest of the world via a network of independent distributors.
Prosthesis: Evidence Based Decision Making in the Esthetic Zone
- Dr. J. Terry Green: Integrating Occlusion and Dental Implants
- Dr. Jon Suzuki: Bisphosphonates and Periodontal and Implant Surgery
- Dr. Carl Misch: Extract and Immediate Implant Insertion: Risk and Benefits
- Dr. Hom-Lay Wang: Management of Implant Complications and Peri-implantitis
- Dr. Robert Margeas: Immediate Extraction, Implant Placement and Provisionalization in The Esthetic Zone Using the Patient’s Natural Tooth
- Dr. Brad Potter: Imaging for Implant Dentistry (Life in the CBCT World)

• Drs. Steve Chu and Joseph Greenberg: Treatment Planning Strategies for the Anterior Dentition: Biometric Determinates for Teeth and Implants
• Dr. Alan Sulikowski and Aki Yoshido, CDT: Implant Esthetics, How You Plan for Restorative Success with Your Laboratory
• Dr. Ariel Raigrodski: Abutment Selection in the Esthetic Zone: Current Concepts of Materials and Design
• Dr. Ward Smalley: Implant Position and Restorative Solutions
• Mark Marinbach, CDT: Custom Abutments | To Use or Not to Use | That is the Question

While the general session begins at 1 p.m. on Thursday, earlier that morning, a number of sponsored pre-symposium workshops will be held. IMTEC is sponsoring a course by Dr. Gregory Sawyer and his “Introduction to Mini Dental Implants,” Nobel Biocare and Dr. Bernard Krupp are running a complimentary course on “NobleActive – A New Direction for Implants;” PreXion is sponsoring a course on “Cone Beam at a Glance.”

Additional courses are being given by Dr. Carl Misch, “Two Stage vs. One Stage: Immediate Load Indications;” and Dr. Donald Callan on “Criteria for Selecting a Dental Implant;” and finally, Drs. Dennis Smiler and Muna Soltan will provide a “Prescription for Bone Graft Success.”

The ADIA’s program is equally ambitious. Partially sponsored by Chase Health Advantage, the educational objectives for its 2½-day program are:

- Develop an appreciation for the role of dental implants in the maintenance of oral health;
- Discuss the role of each member of the implant team;
- Develop procedures to ensure the “flow” of patients through the implant practice;
- Identify potential medical and medicinal complications related to implant dentistry;
- Review pharmacology and its role in dentistry;
- Understand the role of herbal therapies during patient care;
- Understand the causative factors of bone loss around implants;
- Describe important techniques for effective case presentation;
- Understand how to discuss treatment fees and present financial options;
- Review the techniques and skills involved in implant maintenance.

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Attendees choose one program; certification programs are conducted simultaneously in three different rooms:

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. — Dental Hygiene Implant Certification Program (DHICP), Lynn Mortilla
Rationale for dental implants; classification and definitions of dental implants; contraindications; implant/tissue interfaces; assessment, diagnosis and treatment planning; implant surgical and prosthodontic procedures; maintenance and evaluation procedures; management of implant complications and failures.

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. — Practice Management Implant Certification Program (PMICP), Karen Young
Terminology and definitions; case presentation and handling objections; commonly asked questions and appropriate responses; fee presentation; financial options and arrangements; risk management, documentation and record keeping; practice plans and marketing; referrals; intra/inter-office communications.

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. — Dental Assisting Implant Certification Program (DAICP), Kathi Carlson
Classification and definitions of dental implants; indications and contraindications; biomechanics and biomaterials; client evaluation, assessment and selection; treatment planning, site selection and implant selection; implant complications and failures; surgical templates and stents; pharmacology and sedation; surgical preparation and infection control; surgical procedures; sinus lifts, bone grafts, tissue regeneration; prosthetic procedures; provisional prostheses and fabrication of temporaries; impressions; laboratory considerations.

To register for this implant symposium, go to the ICOI Web site at www.icoi.org or contact the headquarters by phone at (800) 442-0525 or e-mail icoi@dentalimplants.com.

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