

Webinar

Elevating Patient Comfort with Needle-Free Subgingival Anesthesia

Course Description

Pain experienced during periodontal procedures can lead to irregular attendance, cancellations and poor oral health outcomes. Managing gingival discomfort is essential and can be achieved with needle-free anesthesia (NSA). Join Sarah, a bilingual independent dental hygiene practitioner, in this exciting case-study based course as she shares her experiences with NSA and how to enhance the overall patient experience and the success of your dental hygiene treatment outcomes. The course will include an anesthesia overview, NSA dosage, delivery, clinical images, and personal anecdotes.

1. Stein Duker LI, Grager M, Giffin W, Hikita N, Polido JC. The relationship between dental fear and anxiety, general anxiety/fear, sensory over-responsivity, and oral health behaviors and outcomes: a conceptual model. Int J Environ Res Public Health. 2022;19(4):2380. doi:10.3390/ijerph19042380. PMID: 35206566; PMCID:PMC8872083.

Learning Objectives

- Compare injectable and non-injectable anesthesia for periodontal debridement and discuss their benefits and limitations.
- Describe how the application of NSA impacts the delivery of patient care and time management. Learn how to maximize the anesthesia effect.
- Examine how patient-operator positioning, HVE use, and communication can improve the patient's overall experience and acceptance of periodontal treatments.

Featured Speaker



Sarah Opetz

Sarah is a bilingual dental hygiene practitioner with over a decade of clinical experience, focused on delivering quality patient care and advancing standards in oral health. A graduate of the University of British Columbia, she has cultivated her expertise across various settings, including general dentistry practices, private dental hygiene clinics, and educational institutions.

Sarah currently practices in independent dental hygiene and values building meaningful connections with her patients and colleagues. She actively contributes to the profession by sharing her expertise through live presentations, webinars, and assisting in hands-on courses on ultrasonics.

Outside of work, Sarah enjoys camping and exploring the natural beauty of Vancouver Island with her family, appreciating the region's outdoor opportunities.

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Program Details

Date & Time

Date: May 28th, 2025

Time: 8:00 PM - 9:15 PM EST

Registration Deadline: *May 28th, 2025, 7:00 PM EST*

Location

Live Zoom Webinar

Tuition & CE Credits

Tuition: Complimentary

CE Credits: 1

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Method: Lecture

Registration & Contact

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