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New look, direction to Lab Expo at PDC

Vancouver's 2017 Pacific Dental Conference, one of the largest dental meetings in North America, is offering a broad selection of C.E., with more than 200 open sessions and hands-on courses, March 9–11 at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

Register at www.pdconf.com. Special hotel rates are available through Jan. 13.

In the exhibit hall, close to 300 exhibiting companies will occupy 625 booths, with the exhibit floor open on Thursday and Friday, March 9 and 10. For the majority of attendees, C.E. credit is given for general attendance (up to five hours) and hour-for-hour credit for individual courses. It's possible to acquire up to 20 C.E. credits.

The PDC Lab Expo, with a new look and direction, will be Saturday, March 11, bringing together dental techs, denturists, dentists and staffs. Expo attendees will be



Vancouver, B. C., is host site of the annual Pacific Dental Conference. Photo/ Provided by the PDC

able to visit the exhibits area between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. and during breaks. A new "Showcase Stage" in the PDC Lab Expo will feature 30-minute demonstrations.

In British Columbia, the tradition of gathering to share information on dentistry began in 1936 when the first BC Study Club was established. As time passed, the need

for an annual meeting became evident and an annual convention was created.

The PDC Organizing Group (nine dentists and one hygienist) volunteers its time to present one of the most reputable dental conferences in North America.

(Source: Pacific Dental Conference)

Cosmetic dentists ready to win in Vegas

The American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry (AACD) 33rd Annual Scientific Session will be held from April 18–21 (Tuesday–Friday), in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The conference, described by organizers as "the world's largest continuing education program for cosmetic dentistry," will feature more than 35 hands-on workshops, 60 lectures and 100 speakers. The annual event typically draws between 1,300 to 1,500 dental professionals and includes courses and events serving dentists, lab technicians, hygienists and den-

tal team members to help them refine their skills, learn the latest techniques, and share ideas.

The AACD is a recognized credit provider for the Academy of General Dentistry, the American Dental Association, and the National Association of Dental Laboratories. The AACD is the world's largest non-profit member organization dedicated to advancing excellence in comprehensive oral care that combines art and science to optimally improve dental health, esthetics, and function.

Comprising more than 6,300 cosmetic dental professionals in 70 countries, the AACD fulfills its mission by offering educational opportunities, promoting and supporting an accreditation credential, serving as a forum for the creative exchange of knowledge and ideas and providing accurate information to the public and the profession.

You can find registration and meeting details at www.aacdconference.com.

(Source: AACD)

Washington, D.C., to host pediatric dentists

The iconic monument, miles of museums and other sights steeped in history will welcome those attending the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) 2017 annual session in Washington, D.C. The event will be held from May 25–28 at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center, which is on the Potomac River in Oxon Hill, Md., just south

of the nation's capitol city.

Online registration is open via www.aapd.org. You can use AAPD's online itinerary planner to find details on the scientific program, social events and organized tour events in Washington, D.C.

New this year for the meeting's exhibit hall are scheduled 20-minute breaks in the overall meeting schedule to enable

visits throughout the day. Also new will be a "Tech Hub," where attendees can ask questions about using smart phone, tablet, apps and tech gadgets in everyday life — both personal and professional — to increase productivity with little-known tips and cutting-edge tools

(Source: AAPD)

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Meeting organizers describe the three tracks as follows:

- On Feb. 23, "The Business Of Dentistry" will feature six speakers that will demonstrate how everything from how you look to how you communicate affects your ability to be successful at the business of dentistry. For more details, see the descriptions at the start of the Thursday course listings.

- On Feb. 24, "The Basics Express: Things They Didn't Teach You In Dental School" will provide seven rapid-fire glimpses into what dental professionals really face on the job after graduating and passing the boards.

- On Feb. 25, "A Day in the Life of the Female Dental Professional" will feature four speakers examining how career expectations and goals can be very different for men and women and how those differences can affect your professional life.

CDS Midwinter Meeting exhibit hall

(You can earn one C.E. credit each day)

Thursday, Feb. 25
9 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 26
9 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 27
9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Online registration for the Chicago Dental Society's Midwinter Meeting is available through Feb. 19, with badges available for pick-up at McCormick Place West at the meeting. CDS members can attend the meeting at no additional charge beyond the cost of CDS membership, but all dental professionals also are invited to register.

Additionally, dental professionals from outside the geographical CDS membership area can join the CDS as associate members to qualify for member registration for the meeting. And, for the

first time, for this year's meeting CDS members who register as "category A" can register a non-member dentist ("category G") as part of their registration. The non-member registration fee will be waived. This provides CDS members an opportunity to introduce or re-introduce the meeting to a non-member colleague. It's described by meeting organizers as a limited offer, with non-members able to attend only one Midwinter Meeting free of registration charges.

(Source: Chicago Dental Society)