Registration is open for AAE17, the annual meeting of the American Association of Endodontists, taking place April 26-29 (Wednesday through Saturday) at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans. Billed as the world’s largest education, exhibit and networking event for endodontists, AAE17 features a broad range of speakers, an exhibit hall and a number of special events.

This year’s general session will feature keynote speakers James Carville and Mary Matalin, New Orleans residents and one of America’s best-loved political couples. Other special events include the President’s Breakfast, the Louis I. Grossman Ceremony, recognizing the newest diplomates of the American Board of Endodontics, and the Edgar D. Coolidge Jazz Brunch, honoring the AAE’s award winners. Making the most of the Crescent City, the Welcome Reception will feature New Orleans-style cuisine and entertainment, while attendees will join a brass band to march to “Celebrate New Orleans!” at Generations Hall.

On the show floor, attendees will be able to visit with nearly 100 vendors to explore the latest in endodontic equipment, materials and supplies, as well as practice management and other business resources to support endodontic practices. There are plenty of educational opportunities, offered in many different settings.

“My goal for AAE17 is to offer a highly scientific, evidence-based program, and to include speakers new to presenting at the annual meeting,” said AAE President Linda G. Levin. “I also want attendees to enjoy all that New Orleans has to offer — from the sights, sounds and cuisine, there will be no mistaking we’re in the Big Easy.”

AAE17 offers more than 100 educational sessions in a variety of tracks, including “Pulp Fiction,” which will address controversial and misunderstood topics in the specialty; “Saving the Natural Tooth,” sharing the latest evidence and recommended treatments to save patients’ teeth; and “Surgical and Non-surgical Endodontics.” The highlight of the surgical endodontics track is live, 3-D microsurgery. Dr. Syngcuk Kim will perform two live endodontic microsurgeries using 3-D technology that allows attendees to view the procedure as the surgeon sees it through the microscope.

More educational highlights
Dr. L. Stephen Buchanan will offer “CT-Guided Endodontic Procedures” on Saturday from 12:45 to 1:30 p.m. in Room 244. CT-guided implant surgery has been around for more than a decade and has grown as the sine qua non of implant surgery. This technology is directly applicable to endodontics, both for conventional access preparation and apical surgery. This presentation will review CT-guided implant technology and Buchanan’s clinical cases using this method for conventional and surgical endodontic treatment. It will show how clinicians can set up and use this paradigm shift in procedural treatment planning for root canal therapy as well as for implant placement for those endodontists who want to add implant surgery to their practices.

Dr. Anne L. Koch will offer two presentations, starting with “The Single Cone Bioceramic Sealer Obturation Technique: A Historical Perspective” on Saturday, from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in Room 349. Recently, it has been reported that a single cone bioceramic sealer technique has been used in 20 million cases. It is known as an excellent technique, based on science, and one that has gained worldwide acceptance. Consequently, Koch will review this technique from its inception, through its development, and ultimately to where it is today. And, drawing on her personal experiences, Koch will also present “Treatment of the Transgender Dental Patient” on Saturday from noon to 12:45 p.m. in Room 349. As Koch will explain, transgender patients have historically been stigmatized, both in the medical and dental fields. The purpose of this presentation is to educate endodontists, residents and staff about the medical and psychological needs of
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John J. Stropko will present “Alternative Treatments for External Cervical Resorption” on Friday from 10:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Room 254.

External cervical resorption (ECR) is one of the least understood of all dental lesions. The past literature can be confusing, because ECR has been referred to by many names, and is often confused with internal resorption. However, more current research, along with modern diagnostic techniques, has caused a more frequent necessity for treatment. Dr. Geoffrey Heitgras outlined a commonly used treatment protocol utilizing 90 percent trichloroacetic acid (TCA). This presentation will discuss other materials and techniques that can be considered for the successful management of ECR cases. The treatment of an advanced Class III lesion will be presented with a 13-year follow-up.

To view the entire meeting schedule and register, visit www.aae.org/AAE17. Dental professionals who join the AAE receive a 35 percent member discount on meeting registration. Those who register are also invited to make a donation to the New Orleans Musicians’ Clinic and Assistance Foundation, which provides medical and dental care to musicians in the New Orleans area regardless of their ability to pay.

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Speaking on behalf of New York University, NYU President Andrew Hamilton said, “Thanks to Dentsply Sirona and its partnership with the College of Dentistry, we have been able to create this beautiful and most advanced facility of its kind. Just one of the new treatment centers would be impressive, that there are 37 of them is remarkable, and that they are all in the same location and interconnected is even more so. NYU thanks Dentsply Sirona from the bottom of our hearts for the remarkable contribution that this new facility makes to the College of Dentistry and to our students’ education. It is wonderful to know that the future endodontists we are training will have a positive impact on the lives of our patients and on our community because of the splendid environment they now have in which to learn.”

NYU Executive Vice President for Health Robert Berne said, “At NYU, the scarcest commodity is space. The Dentsply Sirona Endodontic Suite is a magnificent example of a brilliant use of space. It is the lodestar for future renovation projects at NYU, the one that people will look to again and again, and it is a major contribution to the education of our students.”

Dean Bertolami expressed both the college’s and his personal appreciation to Bret W. Wise, executive chairman of the board of Dentsply Sirona, noting that when the college approached what was then Dentsply International last spring to propose a partnership on behalf of the renovation, the company was in the midst of a complex, international merger with Sirona Dental Systems. Nevertheless, Bertolami said Wise immediately indicated his support and as soon as the merger was completed, renovation of the existing clinic began.

Wise said, “This was the first project undertaken by the newly merged Dentsply Sirona and represents our commitment to research, product development and clinical education. Now, one of the best departments of endodontics has the most modern clinical suite. With this new facility, the standard has been set, and together we’ve created an unparalleled environment for research and clinical education. Dentsply Sirona is grateful for this opportunity to collaborate with NYU to advance dentistry and improve oral health.”

Dr. Mark Wolff, the college’s associate dean for development, noted that the effort to renovate the endodontic facility had been years in the making, but once the partnership with Dentsply Sirona was underway, the entire renovation was completed in just three months, making it a “fitting testimony to the powerful synergy that can occur when academia and industry partner on behalf of a shared goal.”

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