Hands-on training abounds at Pacific Dental Conference

More than 150 sessions and courses, March 5-7, in Vancouver

You can experience the true flavor of the West Coast — and earn C.E. credits at the same time — at the Pacific Dental Conference, March 5-7, in Vancouver, British Columbia.

The PDC has an expert lineup of local, North American and international speakers.

With more than 130 presenters, 150 open sessions and hands-on courses covering a variety of topics, the meeting should be able to offer something for every member of your dental team. According to meeting organizers, you will be able to explore the largest two-day dental trade show in Canada and have the year’s first opportunity to see the newest equipment. The exhibit hall features innovative new techniques demonstrated on the live dentistry stage, and attendees will be able to examine products and services from more than 300 exhibiting companies with representatives who are ready to engage attendees in discussions on creating practice solutions.

At the conclusion of the conference, you can take a day to relax and revital-ize by exploring some of Vancouver’s tourist attractions. The ocean is just steps from the Vancouver Convention Centre, and nearby pristine snow-capped mountains offer up choice late-season skiing.

(Source: Pacific Dental Conference)
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Quality location plus quality education plus quality family time equals Smiles in the Sun 2015 in Longboat Key, Fla., April 22–26. Now you can earn C.E. credit while your family has a vacation that you can enjoy with them. All the programs are in the morning — leaving you the balance of your day to spend time with your family. Reduced rates are available at the family-friendly Longboat Key Club and Resort.


Register at smilesinthesun@verizon.net, www.smilesinthesun.org, or call (830) 423-5200.

An afternoon ice cream social is a typical event at Smiles in the Sun, where mornings are for C.E. and afternoons are for fun. Photo/Provided by Smiles in the Sun

Pediatric dental professionals in Seattle, May 21–24

The AAPD welcome reception venue includes the EMP Museum. Photo/Provided by EMP Museum

Pike Place Market, The Space Needle, the EMP Museum and some of the top thought leaders in pediatric dentistry are among the reasons to be in Seattle May 21–24 for the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) annual session. Scientific sessions are at the Washington State Convention Center, in the heart of downtown, adjacent to hotels, restaurants, nightlife and shopping. Taking advantage of the location, the welcome reception on Thursday, May 21, features exclusive access to the Space Needle, EMP Museum and Chihuly Gardens.

The keynote, on May 22, features Frank Abagnale with “The True Story of Catch Me If You Can.” An authority on forgery, embezzlement and secure documents, Abagnale became an expert of sorts 40 years ago as a world-famous con man, as depicted in his best-selling book, “Catch Me If You Can.” Leonardo DiCaprio and Tom Hanks starred in a Steven Spielberg film based on the book.

Attendees must register for the meeting prior to making hotel reservations to get the meeting rate. Hotels in the AAPD official block are the Sheraton Seattle (headquarter hotel), the Grand Hyatt Seattle, the Hyatt at Olive 8, the Fairmont Olympic, the Crowne Plaza, the Hilton Seattle and the Renaissance Seattle.

Three-day exhibit hall Products and services in the meeting’s exhibit hall will be geared toward pediatric dental practices. An AAPD booth will have a bookstore, which will have copies of the Coding Manual, the new pediatric dentistry handbook. Also in the exhibit hall will be the Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children Donor Lounge, where you can learn more about Access to Care Grants and donate to its supporting foundation.

The exhibit hall schedule provides attendees plenty of time to explore without conflicting with education courses, while also leaving time to enjoy the city. A hospitality area on the exhibit hall floor will offer a continental breakfast and lunch available for purchase.

You can register for the meeting online at www.aapd.org/annual. (Source: AAPD)

Montréal hosts JDIQ, May 22–26

The Journées Dentaires Internationales du Québec, Canada’s largest bilingual dental meeting, according to organizers, is from May 22–26 (Friday through Tuesday) in Montréal. Online registration is available at www.odq.qc.ca.

Meeting apps for Apple and Android phones and tablets can be downloaded through www.odq.qc.ca, the app store or the Play Store. Onsite at the meeting, free WiFi will be available to all delegates and exhibitors at the venue, the Palais des congrès de Montréal.

The meeting’s educational program has more than 255 prominent speakers from Canada, the United States and Europe presenting approximately 175 educational sessions in English and French during the five-day convention.


Many other lectures and workshops are scheduled, with details in the program online.

The exhibition hall will feature more than 255 companies in 500 booths in the 133,563-square-foot space.

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More than 2,000 company representatives will be on hand to help you see, compare and make decisions on new furni- ture, equipment, instruments, tech- niques and other products and services — all under one roof.

One C.E. hour per day can be earned by visiting the exhibit hall. Just be sure to have your badge scanned at the entrance. The exhibit hall hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday, May 25 and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26.

The organizers invite you to join the more than 12,000 expected delegates to meet, learn, share and enjoy this gather- ing of friends and colleagues.

(Source: JDIQ)