Announcing the 2008 BSDHT Conference

This year’s British Society of Dental Hygiene and Therapy (BSDHT) conference at Edinburgh’s ICC, November 21 to 22 gives delegates the opportunity to hear professional speakers deliver topical perspectives ranging from the critical to the clinical. Dr Margie Taylor, chief dental officer, Scotland offers a welcome speech, and a close from Dr Hew Mathewson, president of the GDC.

What’s on offer
On November 21, listen to Professor Angus Walls discuss oral and dental problems of older people with natural teeth in partnership with Colgate and you’ll understand the demographics of ageing and population changes that will impact on clinical practice over the next 20 years, and be aware of changes in disease risk associated with ageing and of the challenges for oral hygiene associated with normal ageing. Or perhaps you’re more interested in radiography for the DCP where Dr Jimmy Makdissi, consultant in oral and dental radiology with look at taking x-rays, the anatomy of dental x-rays and how to identify the most common film faults and their causes.

On November 22, Professor Mike Lewis asks whether there’s a link between the mouth and systemic disease. After this talk, you’ll understand more about the potential relationship between oral disease and systemic disease; gain knowledge of the potential mechanism that link periodontitis with the onset of cardiovascular disease, and the role of members of the oral microflora in the development of ventilator associated pneumonia. Dr Raul Doshi explains how to ensure a successful practice including how to create a five-star new patient experience, the importance of the morning meeting and understanding the importance of nurturing an empowered team.

Not forgetting...
These are just a few of the presentations on offer. For more hands-on learning, there are also workshop sessions on each day too, on subjects from legal and ethical dilemmas in the practice setting, to unravelling clinical papers. There’s also a gala dinner on November 21 at the Sheraton Grand Hotel and Spa.

The conference offers two full days to pick up the salient issues affecting you in a transforming dental market; to meet colleagues and expand your circle of professional contacts. It’s also a chance to earn 9.5 hours of verifiable CPD and receive additional general CPD from attending the exhibition.

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