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1National Kidney Foundation

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Mitigating the risk

Chronic inflammation has been shown to be responsible for a variety of systemic diseases. Periodontal Disease can go beyond the loss of teeth and bone. It should therefore be recommended that all medical practitioners when they identify patients affected with periodontal disease to refer them to a dentist who can provide early treatment.

Dr Eial Makort, Wokingham Smiles Practice Principal suggests that the advantage of a multidisciplinary approach is that it’s a premium service and treat any dentally-related problem fast; utilising the expertise of a team of medical professionals and dental colleagues each skilled within their disciplines.

The advantages to patients are that their treatment is integrated and is all carried out in one place with which they are familiar and comfortable. Wokingham Smiles is such a multi-disciplinary practice, and offers all the usual premium products, including the Sonicare Flexcare toothbrush - which are proven to encourage effective and compliant home management of periodontal disease to ensure that potentially health compromised patients do what they can to mitigate any risk of exacerbating their conditions.

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The dentist can switch from the diagnosis mode to the ther- apy mode by depressing the footswitch. This speeds up the scaling process and leads to en- hanced results. There is less risk that the dentist will over- look concretions – or remove healthy tooth tissue. “So far dentists have had to rely on their sense of touch. If they detected calculus using a manual probe, they had to change to a therapy instrument and guide it pre- cisely to the original site.”

For further information please contact: Sirona Dental Sys- tems 0845 871 5040

British Orthodontic Society Conference

Brighton kept its promise of good weather. There was glorious sunshine on Saturday morning as the delegates made their way to the conference cen- tre. The conference began with the pre-congress course titled “Infection control in orthodontic practice, all you need to know”. It was a now a GDC five- year core subject requirement to update on cross-infection and this well attended course was designed to meet this require- ment.

The conference went on through Saturday and Sunday, with other speakers such as Dr H Shah from Bristol Dental School, Dr M Raines from Guy’s

Hospital, Dr P Fleming from Royal London Hospital and Dr E Al Maatlah from Liverpool gave demonstrations and de- tailed presentations.

Speeches concluded with an ever memorable and entertain- ing song from the BOS Confer- ence Chair Nigel Fox, to whom everyone was very grateful for the hard work and excellent or- ganisation that he and the whole BOS conference team has put into each ever successful conference.

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In April 2009, ten members of the Henry Schein Minerva team will be joined by five dentists on a Bridge2Aid trip to Tanzania. They will carry out a refurbishment project, renovating the inside storey dormitory block at Bukumbi Care Centre, which is home to a community of disabled Tanzanians.

The Henry Schein Minerva Sales Team launched the fundraising for this trip at their last sales meeting, where the Director of Sales, Patrick Allen, was treated to an unexpected beauty treatment for the cause — a chest wax! Through the laugh, screams and tears, Patrick’s extremely hairy chest managered to raise almost £4000.

Patrick, who had no idea that he was going to be the focus of the fundraiser, took the whole event in great humour: “I will certainly remember this sales conference as I am absolutely delighted with the amount of money my pain generated.”

Any contribution to the Bridge2Aid fund is very welcome as this project will make a huge difference to the lives of the Tanzanians at Bukumbi.

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