ABO announces exam deadlines

The American Board of Orthodontics (ABO) has extended the registration deadline for its December written examination to November 1. More than 220 have already registered for the exam, according to ABO. Late registrants are not guaranteed of testing locations or time choices.

ABO will conduct a second written examination in 2006 from Dec. 11-15. Applicants may take the examination on any of those days, which will be administered throughout the country by Pearson-VUE Testing Centers.

ABO's written examination will be available to any educationally qualified practicing orthodontist who has never taken the written exam or was unsuccessful on a prior written exam. Residents in an ADA accredited orthodontic program may take the written exam if they have completed 21 months of their program at the time of the exam.

Passage of the written examination will provide an opportunity to accept the ABO Gateway offer, which expires on July 1, 2007. People unable to register for an exam in 2006 can take it from April 9-13, 2007, for which registration is due by Jan. 1, 2007.

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Oral Health America seeks sponsorships

CHICAGO—Oral Health America (OHA), whose 2006 Gala and Benefit attracted more than 800 attendees representing virtually every aspect of the dental industry, is seeking sponsorships for its 2007 event, "Connect in Chicago."

OHA depends upon the Gala, which is held each year in conjunction with the Chicago Midwinter Dental Meeting, to raise essential funds for outreach efforts such as Smiles Across America and to develop further initiatives to improve oral health.

The OHA Gala is a much-anticipated event that features dining and dancing, a silent auction and unparalleled networking opportunities. Sponsorships are available at the Gold Level ($2,000 and up) and the Platinum Level ($5,000 and up). Sponsors will be listed in the event publicity and will be recognized at the event. Payment can be made in 2006 or 2007, depending upon budgeting preference. OHA is also seeking donations of items of value for the silent auction.

Oral Health America is the nation's premier independent advocacy organization dedicated to improving oral health. Founded in 1955, OHA has served as dental foundation, oral health advocate and national leader in raising awareness of oral health's importance to total health.

The annual gala & benefit supports OHA's programs, which are national models for improving the oral health of all Americans. For additional information on Gala sponsorships or auction donations, contact Joseph Donohue at: 512.856.9900, or E-mail: jdonohue@oralhealthamerica.org. Mark your calendar for the 17th annual Gala and Benefit, to be held Thursday February 22, 2007.

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