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Title:

An architectural plan for creating ideal implant esthetics: a vision for success

Synopsis:

Conventional concepts in aesthetic restorative treatment generally focus on establishing ideal tooth form and colour. Often overlooked is the challenging interplay with the surrounding gingival framework. An understanding of how to treat and enhance tissue form in conjunction with conventional restorative and implant treatment is a crucial element to a highly successful aesthetic result.

Objectives:

This course will emphasize strategies to idealize the aesthetic outcome of treatment from surgery to case completion.

- Fundamentals of implant placement and restoration; focusing on the unique requirements of the partially edentulous patient.
- Hard tissue regeneration ... what is realistic?
- Atraumatic extraction techniques, immediate implant placement, flapless and guided implant surgery.
- Improving hard and soft tissue stability through implant design and abutment timing.
- Implant positioning: the critical impact on aesthetic success.
- Soft tissue management to ensure long-term tissue stability.
- Provisionalization: Fine tuning the soft tissue form. Easily implemented techniques:
 - Pontic site development and implant site development.
 - Chair-side provisionalization strategies.
 - Final abutments placed at the time of surgery.
- Techniques to transfer accurate information to the laboratory about soft tissue form around implants.
- Optimizing gingival tissue health and aesthetics: zirconia abutments and all-ceramic restorations.
- The inter-implant papilla: the persisting challenge of side-by-side implants.