Benjamin Pliska DDS, MSc., FRCD(C) is Assistant Professor of the University of British Columbia Faculty of Dentistry and maintains a private practice in Vancouver as a certified specialist in Orthodontics. Dr. Pliska is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario School of Dentistry, and obtained his Certificate in Orthodontics and Master’s Degree in Dentistry from the University of Minnesota. Dr. Pliska lectures both locally and internationally on his research interests, which include airway imaging and sleep medicine.

Siddharth (Sid) Vora, BDS, MSD, PhD is currently an Assistant Professor of the University of British Columbia Faculty of Dentistry. He obtained his dental surgery degree from the University of Mumbai, India, in 2002; a Doctor of Philosophy (Oral Biology) in 2009 from Boston University; and a Master of Science in Dentistry and a Certificate in Orthodontics from the University of Washington (UW) in Seattle in 2012. Dr. Vora was a faculty member at UW. He was also a senior Fellow at Seattle Children’s Hospital Research Institute.

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TUITION FEE
DENTISTS: $3800

Refreshments and light snacks are included at each session.

All necessary instruments, equipment and expendables are provided, and are included in the course fee. Brackets, bonds, archwires etc. are extra and are billed quarterly through out the year.

A non-refundable deposit of $800 is due upon registration. Costs to supplies will be invoiced separately and must be paid within 30 days of receipt of invoice.

TIMES
Thursday PM 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm*
* Except on Oct 24, Feb 20, Mar 12 when course will be offered in AM (7:45 am - 12:45 pm)
Friday PM 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Saturday AM 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

LOCATION
Patterson Dental Learning Centre
JB Macdonald Building
2199 Wesbrook Mall
Faculty of Dentistry, UBC

PARKING
Parking at UBC is available in the Health Sciences visitors Parkade weekend and evenings. Parking is also available under the Staples Store in UBC village.

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LIMITED ENROLMENT: 9 PARTICIPANTS

Advanced Orthodontics for the General Practitioner

Dr. Benjamin Pliska and Dr. Siddharth (Sid) Vora

September 2019 – August 2020

LIMITED ENROLMENT

Thursday* (Dr. Pliska)
or
Friday PM (Dr. Pliska)
or
Saturday AM (Dr. Vora)

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COURSE OUTLINE

This course provides detailed instruction in diagnosis, treatment planning and specifics of treatment procedures for general practitioners who already have some familiarity with orthodontic procedures. It is emphasized that these sessions provide practical experience, on an ongoing basis, with the practitioner's own patients. This course is not limited to theoretical concepts and laboratory procedures. Case presentations and discussions on treatment planning will be held at each session and will supplement clinical treatment of patients. Participants are responsible for providing their own patients. Through the mentorship provided in these courses, participants will develop a clear understanding of the standard of care for comprehensive orthodontic treatment, from record taking to finishing of the occlusion. Some cases – either with fixed appliances or removable aligners, can be well treated in a general practice when the clinician has taken this course; other patients require a specialist. Dr. Pliska gives careful training as to how to make this important distinction. It should be noted that regular attendance is required in order to maintain proper continuity of service to patients, and to keep abreast of the progress of the participants. Therefore participants will need to be able to make a commitment to attend sessions consistently.

FAQ’S

What is the philosophy governing the Advanced Orthodontic Courses for the General Practitioner?

As an initiation into orthodontic principles and practice, lecture courses are essential and are certainly recommended. When the General Practitioner then embarks on actual treatment of orthodontic cases, explanation and guidance at the “hands on” level is extremely helpful. However, orthodontic treatment is a long-term commitment for both patient and clinician, where frequent visits and ongoing re-evaluation of progress are necessary. For this reason the Advanced Orthodontic Courses operate on a continuous 12 months a year basis, whereas intermittent courses leave the practitioner uncertain as to how to proceed as cases advance toward completion.

Who is eligible to join an Advanced Group?

General Dentists who have taken a Basic Orthodontic Course, or who are recent graduates of UBC, or who have had exposure since graduation to fixed appliance principles and practice. If in doubt, contact Dr. Pliska, or the Director of Continuing Dental Education.

Who provides the patients?

Patients must be “patients of record” in the participant’s practice. UBC Continuing Education does not have a pool of persons awaiting treatment.

What is the scope and format of the sessions held each month?

Approximately the first 2 hours are spent in discussion of detailed records for patients for whom treatment is proposed. After the general outline is given, the entire group is encouraged to participate in the discussion. Dr. Pliska chairs the meeting. The atmosphere is friendly, constructive and cordial! The second 3 hours is spent in the UBC Sutherland clinic, where Dr. Pliska works directly with each participant and his/her patients. Discussion and demonstration to all members are ongoing during the clinic time.

Is it necessary to bring any equipment, instruments, supplies or products to the advanced courses?

No, all instruments and equipment are made available without extra charge by Continuing Dental Education. Clinic sundries such as gloves, masks etc. are also supplied. Brackets, wires, bands etc. are available in the clinic. Each practitioner has an account set up at the beginning of the academic year, and is invoiced for the brackets, archwires etc. quarterly through the year.

REGISTRATION APPLICATION

ADVANCED ORTHODONTICS FOR THE GENERAL PRACTITIONER 2019-20

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Please choose: AM or PM Thursday, Friday, Saturday

First installment (Due August 22, 2019)
Second installment (Due Nov. 12, 2019)
Third installment (Due Feb. 7, 2020)
Fourth installment (Due May 10, 2020)

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Upon registration $800.00 of your payment will be non-refundable at any time.