



CANNABINOIDS AND THE DENTAL PATIENT

NEW CONCERNS, INTERACTIONS, AND PATIENT MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES

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Have you ever had to face the prospect of treating a medically-complex patient? Have you ever had a patient needing treatment for a dental emergency who has more than one underlying chronic disease? What about your patients of record who are on more than five medications? Now what if these same patients are also experimenting with cannabinoids or illicit drugs? How does the recreational use of marijuana or the medical use of cannabinoids change your treatment plan?

Drug abuse remains a major problem in our society. According to The National Survey on Drug Use and Health conducted by SAMSHA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration), between 2010 and 2016 an estimated 4.3 million (4.7%) adults aged 50 or older had used an illicit drug in the previous year. Moreover, the organization's combined data from 2002 to 2017 showed that over 8.3 million children (11.9%) lived with at least one parent who was dependent on or abused alcohol or an illicit drug during the past year. Among that population almost 2.1 million (3.0%) lived with a parent who was dependent on or abused illicit drugs. Young adults aged 18 to 25 have been shown to be the most likely to use methamphetamine, but the older generation continues to lead with cannabinoid usage and the recent decriminalization in Canada means that young people will not be far behind.

Providing dental care to anxious, fearful and medically-complex patients continues to be a major challenge facing dentists. Now more than ever, dental professionals are faced with the additional challenge of treating these patients' oral health needs in the face of recently deregulated cannabinoids such that the simple approach to, "drilling and filling" has just been cranked up a few more notches.

If substance abuse, dependence and particularly cannabinoid use affects one in ten North Americans, this means one in ten of your patients. This interactive program looks at some of these most challenging patients, their most common negative sequelae due to cannabinoids and the management of these patients with a particular focus on the dental realm. Case studies will augment the delivery of key points and a problem-based learning approach is encouraged so that each participant's questions are addressed. Most importantly, you will learn directly applicable strategies to successfully treat these medically-complex patients on Monday morning. After all, our goal is to make sure all dental appointments are not just successful for your patient, but also for you and your staff.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

1. Discuss the four main challenges of medically complex dental patients
2. Understand the concept of risk and how to select and de-select appropriate patients
3. Describe the risk factors to consider when treating patients using cannabinoids
4. Recognize some of the oral signs of cannabinoid use and how to better manage these patients
5. Learn how to help make all of your appointments successful for you, your Team and your patients



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Mark Donaldson, BSP, RPH, ACPR, PHARMD, FASHP, FACHE received his baccalaureate degree from the University of British Columbia and his Doctorate in Clinical Pharmacy from the University of Washington. He completed a residency at Vancouver General Hospital, and has practiced as a clinical pharmacy specialist, clinical coordinator and director of pharmacy services at many healthcare organizations in both Canada and the United States. He is currently the Senior Executive Director, Pharmacy Advisory Solutions for Vizient, in Whitefish, Montana. Dr. Donaldson is a Clinical Professor in the Department of Pharmacy at the University of Montana in Missoula, Clinical Associate Professor in the School of Dentistry at the Oregon Health & Sciences University in Portland, Oregon and Adjunct Professor, in the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of British Columbia. He has a special interest in dental pharmacology and has lectured internationally to both dental and medical practitioners. He has spent the last 20 years focusing on dental pharmacology and dental therapeutics, and is a leader in the field. Dr. Donaldson has published numerous peer-reviewed works and textbook chapters. He currently serves on the Editorial Boards for the Journal of the American Dental Association, Compendium and ACHE Healthcare. He is board certified in healthcare management, was named as the 2014 recipient of the Bowl of Hygeia for the State of Montana and was the 2016 recipient of the Dr. Thaddeus V. Weclaw Award. This award is conferred upon an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the art and science of dentistry by the Academy of General Dentistry.

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OCTOBER 24, 2019

TUITION:

	until Sept 19	after Sept 19
Dentists	\$170	\$190
Allied Dental Professionals	\$90	\$125

Tuition includes: handouts and coffee break

2.5 hours of instruction

TIMES:

Registration Begins:	6:30 PM
Lecture Begins:	7:00 PM
Lecture Ends:	9:30 PM

LOCATION:

Lecture Room TBA
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