



THE BASIC RULES OF OCCLUSION

A DIDACTIC/CLINICAL PROGRAM

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When you hear the word occlusion, what do you think about? Teeth coming together, TMD (temporomandibular disorders), a philosophy(s), or are you just plain confused? Unfortunately, many of our colleagues are unclear as to what occlusion means to them or more importantly, what it means for their patients. What might appear at first to be a complex topic, especially with the abundance of apparently conflicting theories and treatments, once simplified to the essential elements, is in reality, fairly straight forward. The essential elements I like to call The Basic Rules of and this Program is dedicated to the outlining of these elements.

The Basic Rules of Occlusion outlines an evidenced-based practical approach to the understanding and implementation of occlusal therapy in everyday practice. Whether a dental generalist, dental specialist (prosthodontist, orthodontist, periodontist, endodontist, oral surgeon, orofacial pain practitioner), denturist or dental technician, The Basic Rules of Occlusion sooner or later will apply clinically as dental practitioners facilitate stomatognathic stability. An understanding of these Basic Rules will enhance all aspects of dental practitioner practice for the benefit of all the stakeholders.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

1. Evidence-based not evidence-biased dentistry: what it is and is not
2. Occlusion: when, what, how
3. Occlusion for everyday dentistry
4. Occlusion for major restorative dentistry
5. Occlusion and implant therapy
6. Occlusion for fixed and removable prosthodontics
7. Occlusion for orthodontics
8. Occlusion and TMD: is there a link?
9. CR: where, when, who's?
10. Myocentric as a treatment position
11. Vertical dimension assessment
12. Occlusion and practical dental anatomy
13. Occlusion and facially generated treatment planning
14. Smile design and occlusal stabilization
15. Envelope of function evaluation and maintenance
16. Articulator/imaging use: when, what, how
17. Orthotics: predictable usage
18. Restorative and prosthodontic material selection

CLINICIAN



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