ORAL CANCER: HPV AND TOBACCO-CLINICAL COMPARISON

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This course covers human papillomaviruses (HPV) types and their potential for converting oral and oropharyngeal epithelium into squamous cell carcinoma (SCC). The course will focus on comparing the clinical presentation and prognosis of HPV-associated oral SCC to that of tobacco-associated oral SCC. Over the course of this three-hour talk, we will discuss the pathogenesis of HPV in producing both benign and malignant oral diseases. In addition, this talk will address the life cycle of the virus and the effect of immunization on the variant HPV-associated cancer. The attendee will leave this course with up-to-date knowledge of HPV in general and specifically how it affects the mouth.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES
1. Understand the prevalence of oral HPV in the general population
2. Learn about the life cycle of the virus and how it transforms epithelial cells
3. Differentiate between low-risk and high-risk HPV types
4. Understand the role of HPV in oral SCC
5. Differentiate between the clinical presentation of HPV & tobacco-associated oral SCC

CLINICIAN
Dolphine Oda is Professor of Oral Pathology at the School of Dentistry, University of Washington, and the director of the UW’s Oral Pathology Biopsy Service. Dr. Oda is on the medical staff at the University of Washington Medical Center and Harborview Medical Center. In 2013, she was awarded a lifetime achievement award by the Oral Cancer Foundation for over 30 years of service to oral cancer patients. In 2009, she was awarded the Distinguished Teaching Award, the UW’s highest honor for outstanding teaching, and has been awarded an additional 30 teaching awards within the School of Dentistry. Dr. Oda’s research interests include molecular changes in oral carcinogenesis and HPV and oral cancer. She has 78 papers published in refereed journals and publishes a popular monthly column called Case of the Month. Dr. Oda is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and holds a Washington State dental license.

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