Pink Ceramics & Composites - Part 1
A 2 Part Hands-On Course for Dentists and Technicians
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Course Description:
Esthetically replacing missing teeth in areas of significant anterior ridge deformities has been a vexing challenge facing clinicians for decades. Heightened esthetic expectations and the addition of implant therapy have only increased the challenge. It is, therefore, necessary for clinicians and technicians to fully understand all the innovative new options now available of where and when to best utilize them. This course will address the existing options to surgically or orthodontically enhance the lost dimensions and esthetics of deficient anterior ridges.

Emphasis will be placed on the analysis, design, benefits and manufacturing of the supplementary option of 3-dimensional prosthetic reconstruction of deficient ridges and its ability to enhance the aesthetic result both in final tooth form as well as lip and facial support. A detailed decision-making protocol will be suggested to guide clinicians and technicians toward creating the most successful outcome for complex esthetic cases.

Objectives:
Following this course, attendees will be able to:
1. Understand how to evaluate the atrophic edentulous ridge in 3-D.
2. Recognize the importance of using CT Scan software to not only to evaluate but to plan for prosthetic gingiva.
3. Perform a comprehensive prognostic esthetic evaluation and develop a diagnostic laboratory wax-up of both the future teeth and the lost gingival complex.
4. Understanding the tooth morphology issues when restoring a deficient ridge.
5. Selecting the ideal materials when incorporating pink gingival restorations.
6. Perform a provisional with pink composite.

Content to be Covered:
1. Pink Classification
   - Restorative planning according to the ridge classification.
   - “The Challenging Zone” concept (Restorative Gingival Interface).
   - Full arch versus partial cases. Material selection.
2. Esthetic challenges when restoring the deformed ridge inside the esthetic zone
   - What we have done traditionally.
   - The cascade of tooth morphology problems associated with ridge deformities.
3. Team Work - Interdisciplinary treatment for ridge reconstruction
   - Team interaction.
   - Prospective treatment versus retrospective treatment.
   - Pink mock-up.
4. The Dento-gingival diagnostic wax-up
   - Face, smile and intra-oral analysis aiming for a realistic and utilizable wax-up.
5. The Dento-gingival provisional – “blueprint for success”
6. The esthetic quadrant concept in CT Scan analyses
   - 3D implant placement directed to “pink” gingival restoration.
   - Cemented versus screw retained prosthetics.
   - Composite versus ceramics.
7. The “Pink” materials
   - Pink composite technique.
   - Pink ceramics technique.
8. Alternative solutions and designs with “Pink” restorations
   - Combining the materials.
   - The pink abutment.
   - Interproximal implant placement technique.

Hands-On Activities will Include:
1. Face and Smile analysis utilizing the patient’s old photos
2. Dento-gingival diagnostic wax-up (6 units)
   - Specific esthetic guide lines.
   - Morphological research.
   - White “tooth” esthetics.
   - Pink “gingival” esthetics.
3. Diagnostic wax-up for try-in (4 units)
4. Stents and guides
   - Dento-gingival stent.
   - Radiographic stent.
   - Surgical Implant placement Stent.
   - Bone Reduction Stent
5. Dento-gingival provisional (4 units)
   - White esthetics with acrylic.
   - Pink esthetics with composite resin.

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