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# Second District Dental Society Newsletter

Friday, March 8, 2024 Dr. Ben Alley Lecture

Location: Airport Hilton—2001 Alcoa Hwy, Alcoa, TN. 37701 Registration & Breakfast 8:00– 8:35 a.m. Program 8:30– 12:00 Dr. Joel Laudenbach

Oral Cancer Screening, Lesion Recognition & Oral Manifestations of Systemic Diseases: Improve Your Diagnostic & Management Skills!

\$75.00 per doctor \$50.00 per auxiliary & staff 4 CE hours

\*\*Reservations Required Prior to 3/1/2024\*\*





The oral, head & neck cancer screening examination technique will be reviewed in detail with helpful recognition and diagnostic strategies. Common oral lesions and head/neck pathology observed in general and specialty dental practice will be presented, as well as updated oral cancer statistics, risk factors and screening guidelines. Attendees will learn to recognize when additional testing and/or specialty referrals are indicated. Adjunctive and biopsy techniques will be briefly reviewed: tissue reflectance/fluorescence, toluidine blue dye, cytology, and conventional scalpel biopsy. Lesion management will be discussed throughout the presentation. Learning objectives:

Dr. Joel Laudenbach

- 1. More confidently and effectively perform oral cancer screening and lesion assessment
- 2. Improve recognition of oral lesions/manifestations of systemic diseases encountered in clinical dental practice
- 3. Make better clinical/practice decisions regarding adjunctive/biopsy techniques and specialty referrals.

All oral health providers are confronted daily with oral signs and symptoms that may relate directly to underlying systemic diseases. Patients with systemic diseases require pre-operative medical and dental risk assessment, as well as occasional medical consultation, coordination of care and referrals. Providers will be encouraged to improve clinical skills related to detecting systemic diseases via oral examination and thorough medical history taking. Relevant medical conditions will be presented highlighting oral manifestations, medical testing, conventional medical management and interprofessional medical-dental practice. You will be inspired to elevate your medical diagnostic, interpretation, and physician consultation/referral skills to help your patients' overall health and pursuit of wellness.

#### Learning objectives;

- 1. Recognize and understand how specific oral signs and symptoms indicate the presence of underlying systemic diseases.
- 2. Improve clinical oral examination and medical history taking skills to better detect & act upon oral manifestations of systemic diseases.
- 3. Improve your medical diagnostic, interpretation, interprofessional and physician consultation/referral skills.

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### Notes from the Dresident



Christina Honey

Dear Colleagues,

Spring is upon us as evidenced by the emergence of flowers, ever increasing daylight hours and the Dr. Ben Alley Lecture! Dr. Alley was one of East Tennessee's home-grown jewels. He was born in LaFollette and received his undergraduate degree from UTK and his dental degree from UT College of Dentistry. After serving two years in the AirForce, he completed his oral surgery residency training at the UT Medical Center and University of Alabama School of Dentistry. I feel blessed to have known and worked with Dr. Alley during my time at the UT Medical Center. He was truly a great mentor and a class act! In honor of Dr. Alley, the Second District will be hosting Dr. Joel Laudenbach for a half day program at the Airport Hilton on Friday, March 8th. Dr. Laudenbach practices Oral Medicine at Atrium Health in Charolotte, North Carolina and will present "Oral Cancer Screening, Lesion Recognition and Oral Manifestations of Systemic Diseases: Improve Your Diagnostic and Management

Skills."

Please make plans to attend, with your staff, this 4-hour course commemorating Dr. Ben Alley. Reservations are open until February 16th.

As always, we genuinely appreciate our sponsors for their support, for without them we would not be able to gather and host our programs. Please give gratitude to ZimVie by speaking with them and inquiring how they can help you in pursuing excellence and greater success in your practice. I am looking forward to seeing each of you on Friday, March 8th and throughout 2024!

With appreciation for your service to our profession, Dr. Christina Honey



Dear Second District Members,

As I write this note in early February, I am preparing for a Legislative Day on the Hill in Nashville on February 20. Our TDA lobbyists have been hard at work on our legislative agenda and now it's time to back them up and give faces to the language. I would encourage you to reach out to your local state representatives, both in the House and the Senate in support of this agenda, focusing on how these measures will help our patients and reduce barriers of care and communication between dentists and their patients. In the end, it's a

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win for everyone if the business practices and payment practices favor clarity for all parties involved.

I would also like to encourage you invite a friend and help them get registered for a future SDDS meeting. If you don't attend our local meetings regularly, then this is my invitation to YOU. We have great local meetings that in most cases offer CE, but even more offer great comradery and an opportunity to get to know other dentists. Together we are better!

Here's to great dentistry,

Hope E. Watson, DMD
Trustee, Second District Dental Society



Thursday, April 25, 2024

# OSHA & HIPPA TRAINING

**Installation of Officers** 

Location: Airport Hilton— 2001 Alcoa Hwy, Alcoa, TN 37701 Reception 6:00 p.m. Dinner & Program 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Chip Clayton, TDA President

\$40.00 per person

Reservations required prior to 4/12/2024



Dr. Chip Clayton

Dr. Clayton attended Wake Forest University earning a B.A. in Chemistry graduating cum laude followed by his dental degree at the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. Following dental school, Dr. Clayton then completed two years of prosthodontic specialty training at Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Dr. Clayton was Chief of Prosthodontics in an Advanced Education Program in General Dentistry before entering private practice in 1998. Dr. Clayton is currently Assistant Professor at

Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and also serves as a consultant to several post graduate dental training programs. Dr. Clayton is a Fellow in the American College of Prosthodontists and a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics. He is also a member of the American Dental Association, Tennessee Dental Association, Nashville Dental Society, Academy of Osseointegration, and Governor's Study Club. Dr. Clayton and his wife Pam enjoy traveling. Dr. Clayton is also an avid golfer with a goal of playing all of the Top 100 public golf courses in the United States.

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