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**Annual Meeting
Brochure Inside!**

President's Message



Frederick J. Grassin, D.D.S.

Greetings fellow members! The WCDDA is off to a great start for the 2014-15 year. So much has happened and so much is going on that you can be proud of the work your association is doing for you. It is truly an honor to visit the affiliates and meet so many of you. Thank you for your thoughtful interactions and warm receptions.

The WCDDA Officers and I appreciate the trust you have placed in us. We are consistently working on the goals set forth in our vision and strategic Plan. These are the guiding principles of our organization. It is our responsibility to promote them and develop them for everyone's benefit. We are here to "Help Members Succeed."

We have a new look! The FDA, its components and many affiliates have adopted a commonly themed logo. This gives our members and the public a consistent visual recognition of our association. This kind of visual "branding" has been shown to provide better identification and is intended to create the type of uniformity that is beneficial in reaching large audiences. It is the right move at the right time. Now everyone can see that we are one organization supported by its many parts. Take some extra time and enjoy the extra content in our expanded newsletter. Each issue will have something to pull-out and take home or post. What me worry? The back page will have a special editorial for a bit of Mad Fold-in fun to get you to think differently about the profession.



We enjoyed a tremendously successful summer meeting in Naples. As always, the destination was terrific for family and professional pursuits. Our CE program was very well attended and so popular that we were asked to bring the speaker back. We listened to our members and did just that! On December 12 and 13, 2014 we will be hosting Dr. Mark Setter at the CAMLS center in Tampa. We believe that this state of the art facility will serve as a great backdrop for the interactive course "The Team Approach to Maximum Case Acceptance." Please take advantage of this incredible opportunity. We look forward to another day of education and fun at our Annual Meeting at the St. Petersburg Hilton Bayfront on January 16, 2015. We are fortunate to have Dave Weber and Dr. Henry Gremillion presenting. These internationally known speakers are joining us to share their knowledge on this special weekend. We look forward to your participation and hope you will come see the multitude of things St. Petersburg has to offer. There is sure to be a big turnout so register you and your staff early.

Winter sports lovers should join us January 28-February 1, 2015 in Copper Mountain Colorado. Copper Mountain is a great family destination offering skiing, tubing, snowmobiling, zip lining, and so much more. We have secured a room block with terrific rates on accommodations, lift tickets, and rentals. Please see page 14 for more information. This will be an amazing time of camaraderie, family fun, and continuing education.

This past spring, the FDA sponsored the "Non-covered services" bill which was passed by the Florida legislature and signed by the Governor. It took an incredible effort, but this bill will prevent insurance companies from dictating fees on services they won't even pay for. This and other legislative successes cannot be held high enough. It is your active participation in the political process that allows the FDA, WCDDA, and its affiliates to be THE VOICE of dentists in Florida. All Florida dentists and patients benefit from our advocacy. Please encourage non-member dentists you know to join. Ask them to help continue to be that voice. Recently, Governor Scott reappointed **Dr. William Kochenour**, of Clearwater, to the Board of Dentistry. He will continue his role on the board serving with our own **Dr. Leonard Britten** of Lutz. The work of these WCDDA members demonstrates some of the great leadership we possess here at the WCDDA. The FDA and FDAPAC has decided to support Gov. Scott on his re-election campaign. Governor Scott has proven himself a friend of our profession. It is through relationships like these that we can maintain our strong political advocacy. Help us continue our relationship building and where possible participate in fund raising campaigns for FDA and FDAPAC supported candidates throughout our state. To echo words of the association leaders "We are not red or blue, we are the Tooth Party." Please support those who support us.

Again, thank you all for the opportunity to serve you and our profession. We are all beneficiaries of many blessings. Being WCDDA President is one of mine. I encourage you to expand your own participation with this incredible organization. Ask a new or non-member to a meeting, join us in a visit to a dental school to share your practice experiences, donate your time and services at a clinic for the indigent. There are so many ways you can serve dentistry. When you do, you will find that no other group cares so much about you as a dentist in Florida.

Let's all help our members succeed! 🍌

Sincerely,
Frederick J. Grassin, D.D.S.

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2014 Summer Meeting Highlights

5K Fun Run Results:

Dr. Carey Bonham – 20:41
 Autumn Stalf – 23:10
Dr. Dan Prasatthong – 23:30
 Trevor Hamm – 25:10
 Joe Anne Hart – 25:50
Dr. Amy Bonham – 28:34
Dr. Doug Jungman – 29:21
 Joey Zuknick – 30:00



5K Fun Run Group



Cycling Group

Special thanks to
Dr. Carey Bonham,
Dr. Chris Bulnes
and Dr. Bob Klement

for organizing these events.

Golf Tournament Results:

1st Place 2 Man Blind Quota
 +11 - **Dr. Leonard Britten** and
Dr. Larry Staff
1st Place Gross
 78 - **Dr. JB Hansen**
1st Place Net
 65 - Ms. Cathy Hodge

Skins:

Dr. David Burch, Courtney Rogers
Dr. David Shelton and
Dr. James Walton



(L: R) **Dr. Matt Burton,** **Dr. Larry Staff,**
 Chris Pate and **Dr. Jeremy Albert** enjoying
 WCDDA's Annual Golf Tournament at
 Mediterra in Naples.



WCDDA President, **Dr. Fred Grassin** and family.



Affiliate President Round Table

(L: R) **Dr. Michael Sutton,** **Robert Heydrich,**
Joseph DeJongh, **Susan Hudak Boss,** **Andrew**
Agnini, **Larry Lieberman,** **John Metz,** **Frederick**
Grassin, **Diana Barajas,** **Ashley Reynolds,** **Beatriz**
Totzke and **James Hansen**



Officer's Planning Session

(L: R) **Dr. Hugh Wunderlich,** **Terry**
Buckenheimer, **Bob Churney,** **Robin Nguyen,**
Fred Grassin, **Paul Palo,** **Sam Desai,** **Doug**
Jungman, **Rudy Liddell,** **JP, Chris Bulnes,**
Oscar Menendez, **Melissa Grimaudo** and **Zack**
Kalarickal



WCDDA Elected Officers 2014-2015

(L: R) **Dr. Hugh Wunderlich,** **Tim Marshall,** **Sam**
Desai, **Oscar Menendez,** **Melissa Grimaudo,**
Chris Bulnes and **Fred Grassin**

If you missed this fun and successful meeting, be sure to join the WCDDA on August 7-9, 2015 for more quality CE and memorable moments. Rooms sell out fast so register today! Visit <http://www.wcdental.org/2015ritz.pdf> to download the reservation form. To reserve Club Level rooms, contact the WCDDA office at (813) 654-2500 or Kelsey@wcdental.org. Don't miss out on more great times at The Ritz-Carlton!

Margaritas Under the Sun Reception



(L: R) **Dr. Andrew Prousi,** **Dr. Larry**
Lieberman and **Dr. David Shelton**



(L: R) **Dr. Ernie McDowell,** Katie McDowell,
 Nicole Doerner, **Dr. Tim Doerner** and
Dr. Bob Churney

To view more meeting photos, visit <http://wccddaphotoalbums.shutterfly.com/>.

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Health care coverage is guaranteed and required.

Even if you have a pre-existing medical condition, you can get coverage.

You may qualify for financial assistance. Based on your income, if you're eligible, you will need to re-enroll in your plan to get your maximum 2015 tax credit.

If you choose not to have coverage, you'll pay a penalty. For 2015, the fee is 2 percent of your household income or \$325 per person, whichever is greater.

Children, up to the age of 26, can be covered under your plan.

Early enrollment is available for those not eligible for financial assistance. If your income does not allow you to qualify for a tax credit, you can enroll in a plan beginning Oct. 1. Otherwise the health insurance Marketplace opens Nov. 15.

Talk with someone you can trust.

Important dates to remember:

1
OCTOBER
2014

Early enrollment begins

15
NOVEMBER
2014

Open enrollment for 2015 begins

15
DECEMBER
2014

Last day to buy coverage for health coverage that's effective Jan. 1, 2015

15
FEBRUARY
2015

Last day to enroll in a health plan for 2015.



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Continuing Education Programs/Annual Meetings/Affiliate Meetings: Each association hosts meetings that provide high quality continuing education to members and their staff at a significantly reduced rate. WCDDA's Annual Winter and Summer Meetings, WCDDA Affiliate Meetings, Florida Dental Convention (FDC) and America's Dental Meeting (ADA).

CE Broker Tracking: Continuing education attendance records are uploaded into www.CEbroker.com for each member who attends a meeting at the FDA, WCDDA and affiliate levels. 



New Members

Jesse Alonso, DMD, Brandon
Melissa Alvarado-Romero Pou, DDS, Lakeland
Monika Aneja, DMD, St. Petersburg
Anna Auletta, DDS, South Pasadena
Christian Becker, DMD, North Port
Brian Bernier, DDS, Land O' Lakes
James Bloom, DDS, Fort Myers
Tyler Branscombe, DMD, Sarasota
Ivo Bushati, DMD, St. Petersburg
Kenia Campos, DDS, Naples
Amir Daoud, DDS, Seminole
Caroline Dau, DDS, Madeira Beach
James Doerner, DDS, Clearwater
Mira Dudek, DDS, Apollo Beach
Lauren Dupre, DMD, St. Petersburg
Maria El Khoury, DMD, Cape Coral
Jhony Espinoza, DDS, Fort Myers

Matthew Freedman, DMD, Naples
Lucia Greer, DDS, Ruskin
Michael Gribbin, DMD, Tampa
Andrew Haidet, DMD, Naples
Harold Hopkins, DDS, Dunedin
Martin Jenkins, DDS, Lehigh Acres
Elias Josephs, DDS, Naples
David Jurocko, DMD, Tampa
Naresh Kalra, DDS, Tampa
Ashley Keen, DDS, Ruskin
Keith Kiskaddon, DMD, Tarpon Springs
Apolonio Lirio, DMD, Sarasota
Deborah Lowry, DMD, St. Petersburg
George Mantikas, DMD, Naples
Nancy Montgomery, DMD, Lakeland
Lisa Nguyen, DMD, Winter Haven
Shannon Novak, DMD, Cape Coral

Minalben Patel, DMD, Fort Myers
Thach Pham, DMD, Lakeland
Ganesh Rajagopalan, DDS, Zephyrhills
Luisa Rodriguez, DDS, Bradenton
Maryam Rostami, DMD, Clearwater
BJ Sams, DDS, Fort Myers
Alan Shoopak, DMD, Clearwater
Mohammad Shuayb, DMD, Spring Hill
Jason Snyder, DMD, Holmes Beach
Dorothy Theogene, DDS, Brandon
Jong Um, DMD, Bonita Springs
Toby VanLandschoot, DDS, Lithia
Karen Wasko, DMD, Naples
Jennifer Waters, DMD, Bradenton
Sean Wesley, DMD, Cape Coral

Membership

WCDDA Members Show Commitment

Congratulations to the following doctors for their continued commitment!
The year 2014 marks their major milestone in supporting organized dentistry.

25 Years

Gregory Aldrich
Rodney L. Anthony
Edward F. Augustyniak
Wayne M. Baker
William Thomas Bell
Don Black, III
Robert Brockett
Louis P. Cerillo
Robert Chuong
Donald Wood Cooper
Richard N. Devita

Stephen David Eingorn
John Ferullo
Douglas G. Genninger
Nathan Graddy
Jeffrey M. Greenhill
Jeffrey A. Hameroff
Dave W. Heaton
Philip Neal Heinecke
Loren K. Hofer
Susan Jane Hogan
Barry Jacobs

Felix Jimenez, Jr.
David A. Kailing
David A. Kimmel
Anthony J. Kopczyk
Michael A. Lamp
Sandra Jean Lilo
Kenneth S. Liszewski
Philip LoGrippo
William H. McElveen
Andrew Peter McKeveny
Blake Moores

Jill M. Morris
Timothy Muscaro
Cara Lane Overbeck
Robert W. Payne
Rose F. Piazza
Mary Porter
Helmut A. Richardt
Ernest A. Rillman
Kenneth B. Rogers
Thomas G. Rubino
Randy J. Ruscini

Hans R. Salheiser
Carol W. Stevens
Phuong-Chau Vu
Steve Warner
Kurt Weber
David E. Willey
Robert M. Williams

35 Years

Joel T. Alford
Paul E. Anderson
Stephen F. Anderson
Leonard Britten
Larry B. Butler
Nicholas D. Catsos
Robert M. Christ

Joseph R. Craig
Dennis W. Dalton
Frank Delgado, III
Glenn E. DuPont
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Stephen Michael Krist
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Michael K. McRoyan
Douglas E. Milsap
Stephen J. Peirce
Dale R. Pellot
Robert Perez
Edmund E. Rahal

Paul Stanford Saari
Markus Sherry
George Michael Womble
Clark J. Wright

50 Years

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Seldon T. Childers
Ralph Garcia, Jr.

Ronald W. Higel
Niles Henry Kinnunen, Jr.
William Jones McCallie

Daniel Gordon Noland
Austin G. Riddle
Sidney L. Swindle

Donald Herbert Wadsworth
William Paul Weber

60 Years

Donald R. Gorby
Henry Giddens King
James Everett Paulk
John Charles Stanton
Thomas E. Suta
Charles Johnson Younger

Life Members

Joel T. Alford
Nolan W. Allen
Stephen F. Anderson
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John C. Belcher
Richard W. Blake
Mark Joseph Brunswick
Donald I. Cadle, Jr.
Daniel C. Cohen
Joseph R. Craig
Gregory T. Dickinson
Thomas A. Fellner

Jonathan Feltham
C Robert Fort
Burton M. Golub
James B. Hodge, III
William B. Holbrook
Theodore W. Kaduk
Richard I. Karpay
Gerald M. Kluff
Jeffrey R. Lash
John L. Loschiavo
Glen A. Loudermilk
Daniel J. Melker

Thomas Michael Millman
Jack W. Morrison
Rodney Duncan Owens
George Thomas Peak, III
Ronald M. Pross
Edmund E. Rahal
Edward J. Sarrine
Leslie Thomas Schwarz
David G. Shelton
Edward Joseph Smith

Milestones

We are deeply saddened by the death of our colleagues.

John Crimmel, DDS of Naples – January 13, 2013

Thomas E. Holbrook, DDS of Tampa – May 6, 2014

James Mongoven, DDS of Dillsboro, NC – April 5, 2013

A contribution has been made to the West Coast Fund in their memory. If you would like to make a contribution, please make your check payable to the Florida Dental Health Foundation, indicate WCDDA Fund in the memo and mail to: Florida Dental Association, Attn: Foundation, 1111 East Tennessee Street. Tallahassee, Florida, 32308-6914.

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Association Business - Official Calls

Accepting Nominations:

The WCDDA is accepting written nominations for component leadership positions. Any West Coast member may be nominated for WCDDA Secretary and Program Committee. Please forward written nominations to the WCDDA Executive Cabinet prior to February 16, 2015.

Nominations are being accepted for the following award nominations:

Distinguished Service Award: This award is given to a member for outstanding service toward the dental profession and the West Coast District Dental Association.

Dan Bertoch Leadership Award: This award is given to a young dentist who has proven leadership skills.

Affiliate of the Year Award: This is given to an affiliate that has contributed the most towards improving the WCDDA by increasing membership numbers, having the most volunteers, and supporting the ideas, activities and meetings of the WCDDA.

Please submit nominations to the WCDDA office by December 1, 2014.

Awards will be presented in conjunction with WCDDA's Annual Meeting on January 15, 2015. 🇺🇸

Official Calls

There will be a caucus of the West Coast District Dental Association's Delegation on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. via conference call. There will be twelve sites throughout the West Coast district.

The West Coast District Dental Association will hold a breakfast caucus in conjunction with the Florida Dental Association's House of Delegates meeting Saturday, January 24, 2015 at 7:00 a.m. at the Tampa Airport Marriott.

The WCDDA Executive Cabinet recently voted to increase WCDDA membership dues from \$120.00 to \$135.00, beginning for the 2015 dues cycle.

Dr. Oscar Menendez
WCDDA Secretary



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WCDDA Fund & Memorial Grant

Dan Bertoch Memorial Grant:

Dr. Dan Bertoch devoted much time to advocacy for the dental profession. It is in his spirit that a Memorial Fund in Dan's name has been established to provide funding for a first-time attendee to Dentists' Day on the Hill in Tallahassee on March 25, 2015. The grant can be used towards transportation to and from Tallahassee and accommodations at the host hotel.

For questions regarding the WCDDA Fund or the Dan Bertoch Memorial Grant, contact the WCDDA Office at (813) 654-2500 or email: wc.dental@gte.net

The **WCDDA Fund** supports access to care events and clinics, accredited dental programs and dental health education in thirteen counties. By supporting local events and education, the association is able to impact various important missions and support the profession.

The WCDDA would like to thank the following for their donations towards our successful raffle event held in conjunction with the summer meeting in Naples!

Colgate	Pinellas County Dental Association
Crest & Oral-B	Polk County Dental Association
Henry Schein	Dr. Sam Desai
Hillsborough Community College	Dr. Paul Miller
Hernando County Dental Association	Dr. Neeraji Jasthi
Lee County Dental Society	Ultradent Products, Inc.
Manatee Dental Society	UF Executive Practice Management
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DENTISTS' DAY ON THE HILL 2015

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Tuesday, March 24, 2015
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Wednesday, March 25, 2015
Capitol in Tallahassee

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Aloft Hotel Room Block: \$154.00 per night (with a \$5.00 per night parking fee). The block closes on March 1, 2015.

How Can You Get Involved?

Volunteer your time or donate to the WCDDA Fund. The following clinics throughout the district are volunteer based clinics. Contact the clinic directly to volunteer 1 day of your time, this effort goes a long way. If you are unable to volunteer your time, donate to the WCDDA Fund. Grant requests are received annually from clinics requesting funding for supplies. This year the Fund was able to fulfill multiple grant requests: Campo Family YMCA \$1,000.00, Florida Mission of Mercy \$2,000.00, More Health \$1,000.00, Mission Smiles Tampa \$1,000.00 and Today's Blessing Ministry \$500.00.

Crescent Community Clinic of Hernando	Spring Hill	(352) 610-9916
Dental Outreach of Collier, Inc.	Naples	(239) 434-0030
Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco, Inc.	New Port Richey	(727) 848-7789
Gulf Coast Dental Outreach	Dunedin	(813) 579-3935 ext. 105
Healthy Teeth - Mid County Clinic	Largo	(727) 524-4410 ext. 7685
Homeless Emergency Project Dental Office	Clearwater	(727) 442-9041 Ext. 112
Judeo Christian Health Clinic	Tampa	(813) 870-0395
Kid's Dent of Highlands County	Sebring	(863) 385-1911
Lakeland Volunteers in Medicine	Lakeland	(863) 688-5846 Ext. 116
Mission Smiles Tampa/mobile	Tampa	(813) 236-6237
Neighborhood Health Clinic	Naples	(239) 261-6600
PCDA Mission	St. Petersburg	(727) 821-1200 Ext. 148
PDC of Southwest Florida	Fort Myers	(239) 332-9689
Polk County Volunteer Dental Network	Polk County	(863) 519-7900
Samaritan's Touch Care Center, Inc.	Sebring	(863) 471-1870
Senior Friendship Center	Naples	(239) 566-7425
Senior Friendship Center	Sarasota	(941) 556-3237
Senior Friendship Center	Venice	(941) 584-0041
Turning Points	Bradenton	(941) 747-1509
We Care of Polk County	Lakeland	(863) 701-8070

Please note every effort is made to include all volunteer based programs. If you are aware of a volunteer clinic that is not included, please contact the WCDDA office at (813) 654-2500 with the appropriate information.

How to Donate

To make a donation to the WCDDA Fund, mail a check to WCDDA, 1114 Kyle Wood Lane, Brandon, FL 33511 or make a secured online donation by visiting bit.ly/13F2EuN.

Members & Local Dental Students in the Spotlight



(L:R) **Drs. Leo Cullinan, Natalie Carr and Oscar Menendez** were inducted into the American College of Dentists at America's Dental Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. (not pictured; **Dr. Kristen Burch**)



(L:R) LECOM School of Dental Medicine attendees, Sarah Vargas, Jenna Pascoli, Kaylee Wilcox, Margie Bell, **Dr. Mark Romer** and Jennifer Quist.



Dr. Greg Rutherford and Marcia Foote



Dr. David Stein and **Dr. Craig Oldham**



(L:R) LECOM Dental Student, Neha Chakravarti, UF Dental Resident, **Dr. Blake Burnett**, UF Dental Resident, **Dr. Anthony Sconzo** and LECOM Dental Student, Sandra Santos.



(L:R) **Dr. Rick Rasmussen III**, Joe Marshall from the Bank of Tampa, **Dr. Kevin Melker** and **Dr. Ron Yarborough**.



(L:R) UF Resident, **Dr. Deborah Lowry**, Dr. Courtney Worlinky and Megan Haggerty.

CASE REPORT

Unusual Radiographic Finding During Routine Periodontal Maintenance: A Case Report

Ahmed El-Halaby, DDS, MSD

Michel V. Furtado Araújo, DDS, MSc, MDS

Case Presentation

A 60-year-old female patient presented for her periodontal maintenance appointment, during which a full mouth series of periapical and bitewing radiographs were obtained. Approximately 16 months prior to the appointment, the patient's lower left first molar (#19) was extracted due to recurrent decay (Figure 1). A ridge preservation procedure was performed using freeze-dried bone allograft (Maxxeus – Kettering, Ohio) and a non-resorbable membrane (Osteogenics Biomedical – Lubbock, Texas), that was removed 1 month post operatively (Figure 2). The procedure and subsequent healing were free of any complications.

Radiographic image acquisition using a digital sensor showed a radiopaque artifact in the shape of lines running on a sinuous trajectory in the lower left first molar region (Figure 3). This artifact extended over the edentulous alveolar ridge and continued to traverse the interocclusal space between the upper left first molar (#14) and the alveolar ridge of the lower left first molar (#19). This unusual finding was present in several radiographs taken of the same general area. On clinical examination, there was no edema, erythema, drainage, or discharge. In addition, no clinically visible lesions or any deviation from normal appearance was evident on the buccal mucosa adjacent to the first molar area. Radiographically, small radiopaque "dots" were seen in the edentulous ridge. These were also noted in the preoperative radiograph and were diagnosed as metal debris remaining



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Dr El-Halaby, private practice limited to periodontics, Longview, Texas.

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ABSTRACT

This case report describes the presence of a radiopaque artifact appearing in multiple intraoral periapical and bitewing radiographs during routine periodontal maintenance, in an edentulous area with a history of a ridge preservation procedure. Clinical examination of the area showed a normal soft tissue appearance. Upon further investigation of the patient's recent past medical history, it was found that the artifact was due to the presence of a dermal filler (Radiesse® — Merz Aesthetics, San Mateo, CA), which remained after a facial cosmetic procedure. This unusual finding is an indication that clinicians should consider facial cosmetic dermal fillers as part of the differential diagnosis when unusual radiopaque objects are found during routine dental radiographs.

KEY WORDS:

Dental radiograph,
Radiographic artifacts,
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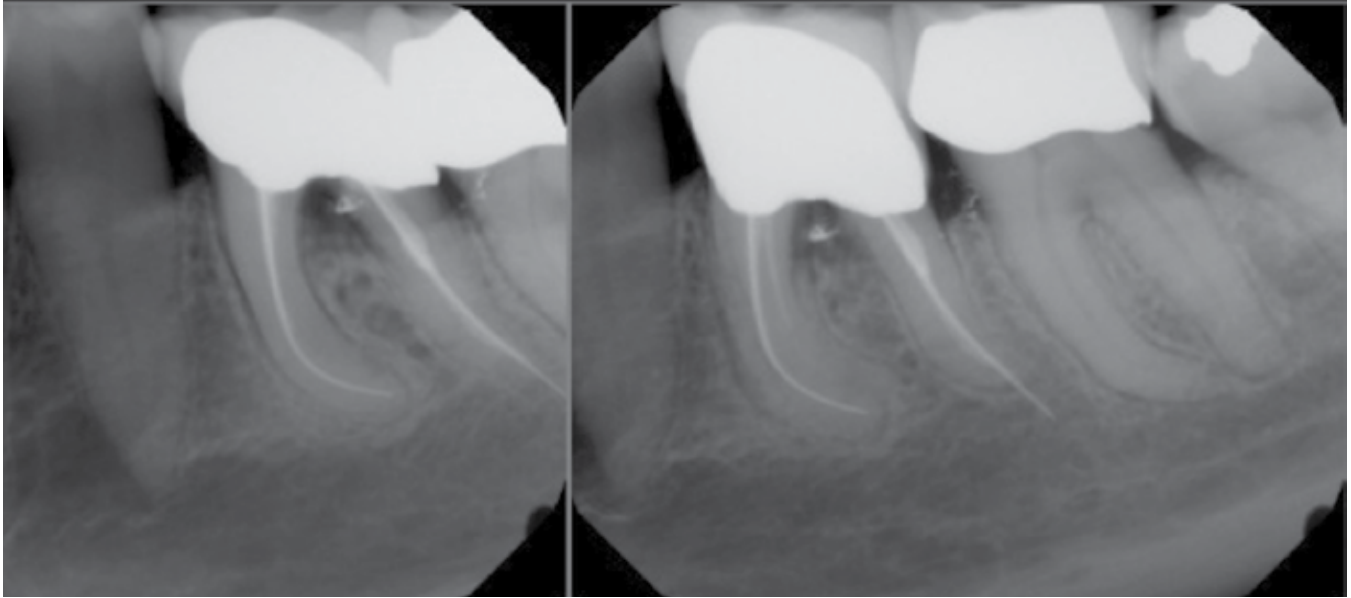


Figure 1. Preoperative radiographs. Extraction of #19 and ridge preservation using a freeze-dried bone allograft combined with a non-resorbable membrane were performed one month after these radiographs were taken.

as a result of previous restorative treatment (#19 – Figures 1,2).

After examining the radiographs, the patient was asked specifically if she had any facial cosmetic procedures performed since her last visit. The patient had undergone facial cosmetic surgery consisting of a single session of injections of a dermal filler (Radiesse®) in the cheek area approximately 3 months prior to the appointment.

Six months after identifying the artifact and during the subsequent periodontal maintenance visit, further radiographs were obtained (Figure 4). The previously identified radiographic artifact was almost completely absent, indicating that the remaining calcium hydroxylapatite (HA) particles from the Radiesse® injection were resorbing.

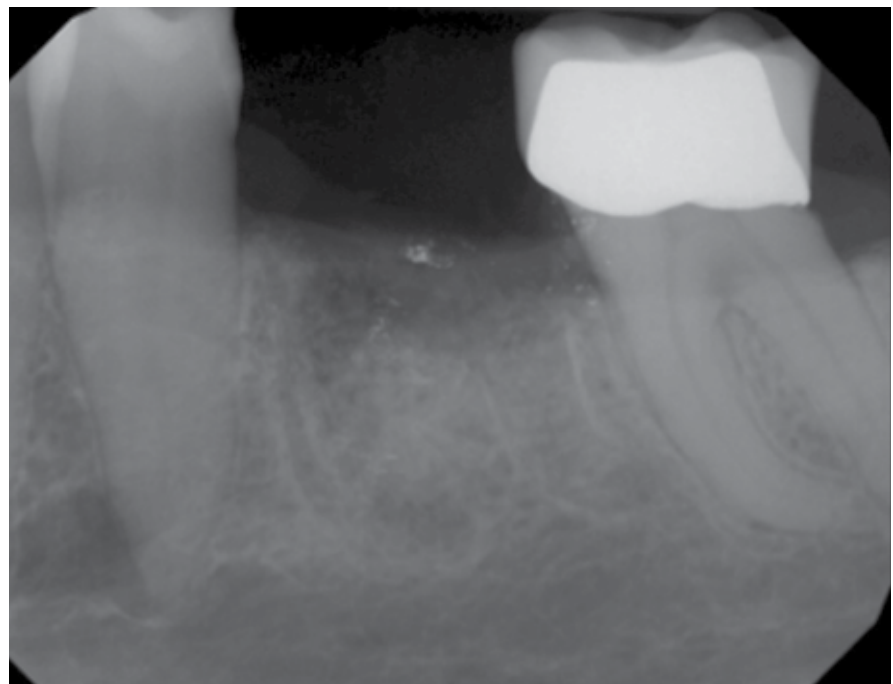


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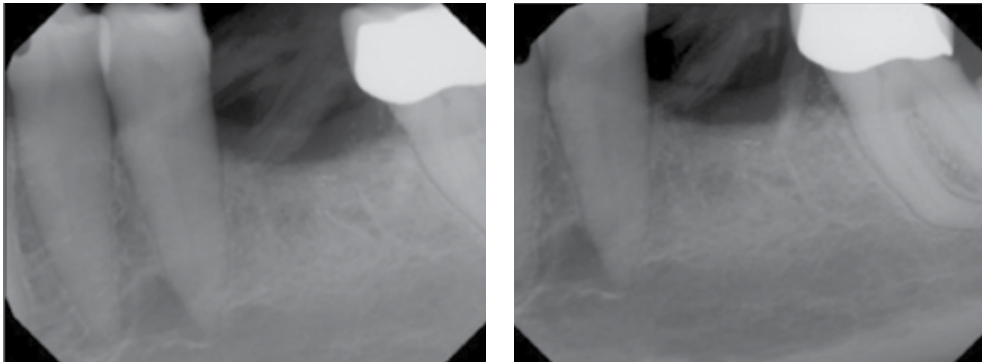
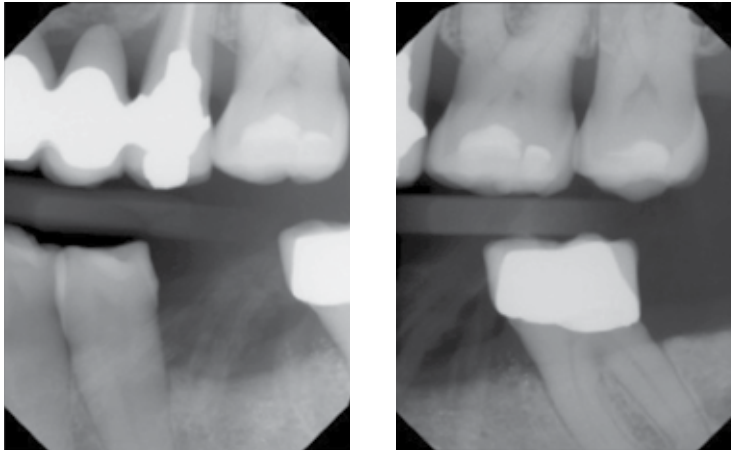


Figure 3. Radiographs taken at periodontal maintenance visit, 16 months after the extraction and ridge preservation. Radiopaque artifact in the shape of lines running on a sinuous trajectory in the lower left first molar region is evident.

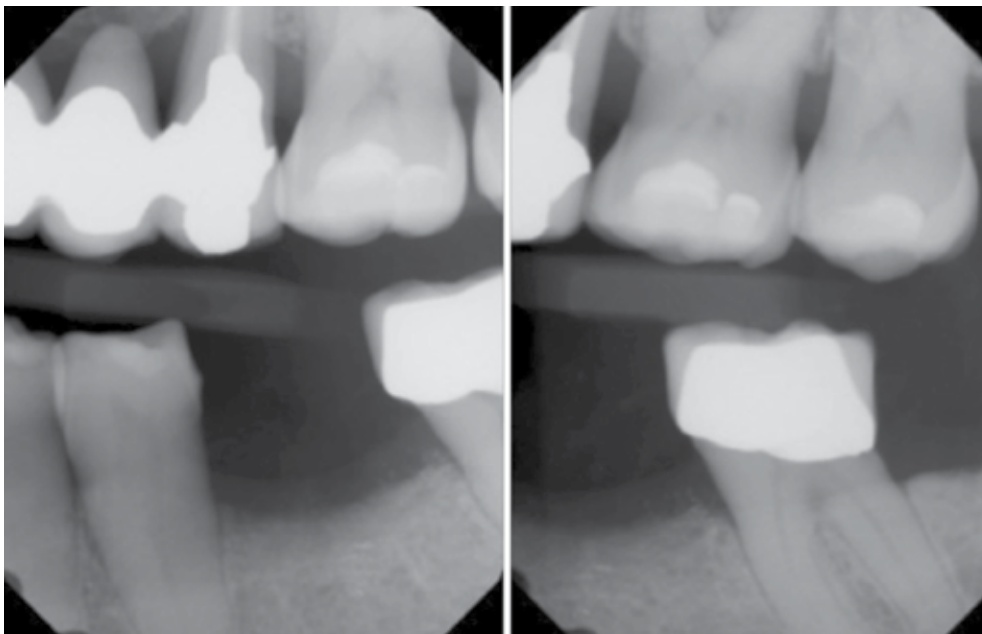


Figure 4. Radiograph at second periodontal maintenance visit. Radio-opaque artifact barely visible.

Discussion

To capture a radiographic image of the lower molars, the structures that the X-ray beams penetrate are: (i) the cheek, (ii) the buccal mucosa, cortex and periodontal ligament space, (iii) the tooth and adjacent alveolar process, and (iv) the lingual periodontal ligament space, mandibular cortex, and lingual mucosa. In the present case, during the course of the x-ray beam, a radiopaque object prevented the unrestricted passage of the x-rays to the digital sensor.

An initial explanation considered was that the x-ray sensor cable was interposed between the x-ray cone and the digital sensor, which could cause the radiopaque artifact. This occurs infrequently and has a distinct appearance characterized by the presence of opaque and uniformly interlacing lines. However, the artifact appeared in more than one radiograph, including a bitewing and a periapical view. This would imply that the sensor cable was misplaced in the x-ray path multiple times, creating an artifact in the same site of the mouth with the same shape, which is extremely unlikely.

The other equipment-related possibility considered was a defective digital sensor. However, a full mouth series of x-rays was taken and the artifact was only visible in one area and not in all the images captured by the same sensor. Therefore, it was found the sensor was working properly.

The other possible explanation is that the artifact is of an intraoral origin. However, thorough clinical examination showed no deviation from normal tissue appearance.

The investigation then led to a possible facial origin, starting with the patient's cheek since it is the first structure to come in contact with the x-rays after they depart the source. The sinuous pattern and shape of the artifact resembled that of a large blood vessel. Therefore, the first suspicion was a calcification of the wall of the facial artery. This artery traverses the area adjacent to the masseter muscle and is anatomically consistent with the radiographic location of the artifact. However, the relatively large size of the artifact was not consistent with that of the facial artery. In addition, it was unknown to the author at the time of the appointment the incidence or possibility of the facial artery, or any other immediately adjacent structure, becoming calcified due to a pathological process.

Another possibility was that the artifact was a result of a cosmetic procedure. Upon questioning, the patient stated she had undergone "cosmetic injection fillings" on both the right and left cheeks. The patient's

plastic surgeon was contacted for details regarding her procedure and it was found that the material used was Radiesse® (Merz Aesthetics, San Mateo, CA). This temporary injectable dermal filler is commonly used to augment facial and other tissues for cosmetic purposes. Radiesse® is a semi-solid suspension of calcium hydroxylapatite (HA) microspheres (25-45µm) in a gel carrier of carboxymethylcellulose. Over time, the HA is purportedly capable of creating a scaffold allowing the patient's own newly formed collagen to accumulate. Radiesse®'s composition could explain the pattern seen in the x-ray artifact. Once injected, the gel carrier penetrates the subdermal layer creating a sinuous path, which is evident in radiographs due to the radiopacity of HA. Interestingly, Radiesse does not consistently appear in radiographs, contrary to computed tomography (CT) studies that show Radiesse in a more consistent manner. One study found that immediately after injections, Radiesse was evident in only 53% of the time in conventional radiographs (3). In this case report, Radiesse radiographically appeared on the left side only, even though the patient had bilateral material injections.

Only one other report exists in the dental literature documenting the radiographic appearance of Radiesse in the dental setting.

Conclusion

Clinicians should perform a thorough evaluation during periodontal maintenance visits. This way,

unusual findings can be diagnosed and properly addressed at an early stage. In this case report, an unusual radiopaque artifact created by the dermal filler Radiesse® was evident in dental x-rays during a maintenance visit. Clinicians should consider facial dermal fillers as a possible explanation for unusual radiopaque artifacts seen on intra-oral radiographs.

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The U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) published a Final Rule putting additional restrictions on hydrocodone-containing drug products, moving them from Schedule III to Schedule II of the federal Controlled Substances Act, effective October 6, 2014. Earlier this year, the ADA joined several other health organizations in expressing concern over the move, which imposes additional regulatory controls and administrative, civil, and criminal sanctions on persons who handle or propose to handle hydrocodone combination products, since hydrocodone drugs are often used to treat severe pain related to dental surgery. ADA is assessing the Final Rule and will provide more information on its impact on ADA members and the patients they serve. Click [here http://www.justice.gov/dea/divisions/hq/2014/hq082114.shtml](http://www.justice.gov/dea/divisions/hq/2014/hq082114.shtml) for the DEA's press release and visit <http://go.usa.gov/mc8d> for the Final Rule. 🇺🇸

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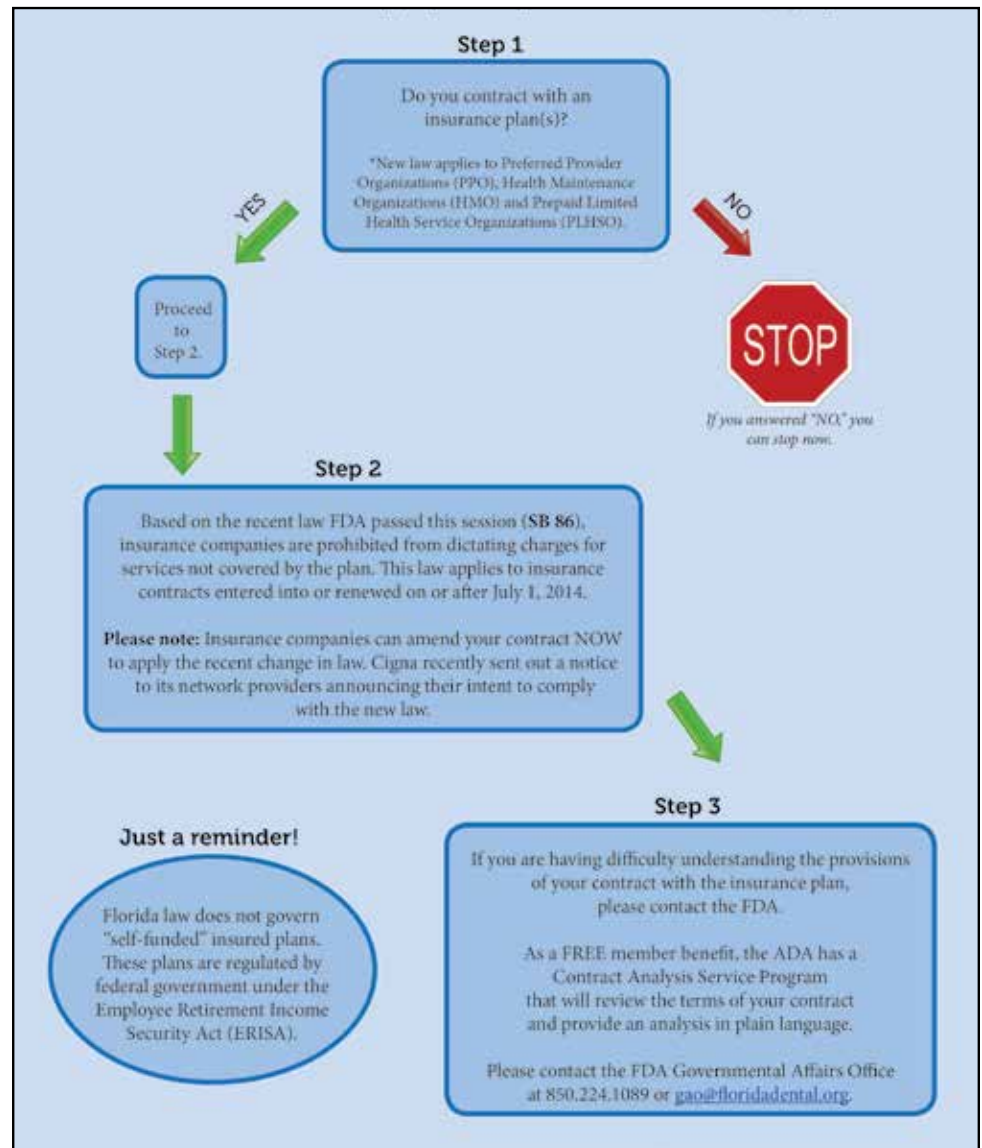
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The Florida Dental Association (FDA) is here to help navigate through the implementation of SB86 on non-covered services. Please review the step-by-step cart to help you understand how this law will benefit your practice.



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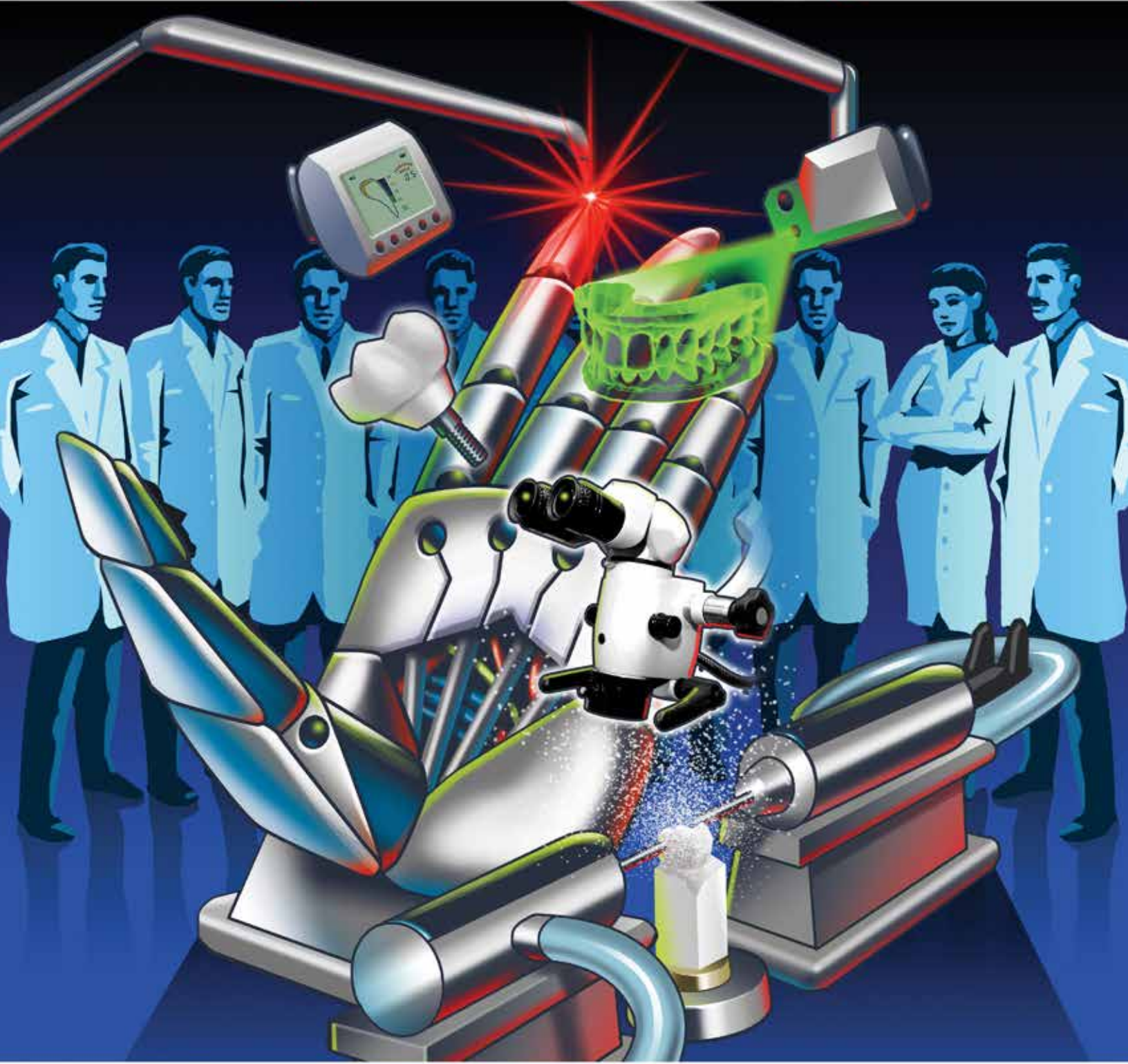


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Speakers

Dr. Henry A. Gremillion is a 1977 graduate of Louisiana State University School of Dentistry. He maintained a private general dental practice in Cottonport, Louisiana from 1977 to 1989. He then completed a 2 year Fellowship in Craniofacial Pain and Dysfunction at the University of Florida College of Dentistry under the mentorship of Dr. Parker E. Mahan. While at the University of Florida College of Dentistry he served as director of the Parker E. Mahan Facial Pain Center and directed a fellowship program in orofacial pain from 1992-2008 and was on the active dental staff of Shands Teaching Hospital during that period. He also held the P. E. Mahan Endowed Professor in Orofacial Pain in the Department of Orthodontics and held an affiliate appointment in the Department of Prosthodontics at the UFCD. He is the recipient of the 2008 Academy of General Dentistry's Thaddeus V. Weclaw Award for contributions to the art and science of dentistry. He received the Dawson Academy Career Service Award in February 2009 and the American Academy of Orofacial Pain Career Service Award in April 2010. In October 2008 he was named Dean of Louisiana State University School of Dentistry and is the E.E. Jeansonne Endowed Professor of Lifelong Learning. He serves as a consultant in the field of temporomandibular disorders and orofacial pain for the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, ADA Council on Dental Practice, and the Comprehensive Dentistry Program at UFCD. He is an associate faculty member and of the Dawson Academy for Advanced Dental Study. He also serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry, Journal of Craniomandibular Practice, and Journal of the Academy of General Dentistry. He has lectured extensively in the U.S. and abroad and has authored/co-authored numerous scientific articles, abstracts, and book chapters. His research interests include temporomandibular disorders, bruxism, and psychosocial aspects of orofacial pain. His major clinical interest is the diagnosis and management of orofacial pain.



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The Dynamics and Function of the Masticatory System: The Multiple (Inter)faces of Occlusion

Henry A. Gremillion, D.D.S. • Seminar A - 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., 6 CEUS

Lunch Session 1 Recommended

The masticatory system functions in a complex, integrated, orthopedic manner. Long-term oral health is dependent on the harmonious function of the dentition, hard and soft tissue supporting structures, temporomandibular joint complexes, and the neuromuscular system of the head and neck. A detailed analysis of the various components with an understanding of anatomy, physiology, and neural pathways facilitates case-specific diagnosis and management. Physiologic occlusal function is recognized to be a key component of orthopedic stability of the masticatory system. A causal relationship between mechanical stresses such as those associated with occlusal parafunction (clenching/bruxing) has been suggested by many. As forces enter the masticatory system they are dissipated through many structures including the temporomandibular joint complex, in some cases resulting in maladaptation and/or pathology. This presentation will include a recommended protocol for patient evaluation. Molecular biological factors currently recognized to result from excessive mechanical stresses applied to these structures will be highlighted. Proposed etiologic and maintaining factors of subgroups temporomandibular disorders and their management will be discussed.

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- Investigate current concepts of mechanisms involved in specific myogenous and arthrogenous TMD subgroups
- Discuss physical, pharmacologic, and pharmacotherapeutic approaches to management of bruxism

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Directions

From Tampa: Take I-275 South to Exit 22 (I-175). The exit will turn into 5th Avenue South. Follow 5th Avenue South to 1st Avenue South. Follow 5th Avenue South to 1st Street South, turn left. Hilton Bayfront is 2 blocks on the left.

From South FL: Take I-75 toward Tampa. At Exit 228, take ramp right for I-275 toward St. Petersburg. Merge onto I-175 via Exit 22 toward Tropicana Field. Turn slight left onto 5th Avenue South. Turn left onto 1st Street Southeast. Hilton Bayfront is 2 blocks on the left. Access door-to-door directions on www.googlemaps.com, www.mapquest.com, etc.

Parking

Parking is available at The Mahaffey, located at 400 1st Street South, \$5.00 a day. Visit www.discoverdowntown.com for an interactive map of the downtown area, including additional parking options.

Meeting Facts

- **Registration:** Pre-register before January 2, 2015 to avoid late fees. Register via mail, fax (813) 654-2505 or online at www.wcdental.org.
- **Late Fee:** It is the policy of the West Coast District Dental Association to charge an additional \$20.00 fee after the pre-registration date 2 weeks prior to the meeting, January 2, 2015.
- **Badges and Tickets:** All pre-registered attendees will receive badges and tickets via mail prior to the meeting date, allowing you to visit the exhibitors and enjoy morning coffee without having to stand in line. Lanyards and on-site programs will be easily accessible.
- **Exhibit Hall and On-site Registration:** Opens at 8:00 a.m. in Lobby II and III.
- **Handouts:** Download your course handouts at www.wcdental.org, click on the 'Professional' area, then click on the '2015 Annual Meeting' in the left column, scroll down to 'Handouts'. Handouts will be available 2 weeks prior to the meeting.
- **Discounts Available:** All public health, government dental personnel, and dental educators receive a 25% discount on seminar fees. **Retired Members:** All-day registration fee for retired members is \$50.00, lunch is not included. Member status must be "Retired" or "Retired Life" with the tripartite to be eligible for discount.
- **Refund and Cancellation Policy:** All requests for refunds or cancellations must be made in writing to the WCDDA prior to the pre-registration deadline. A cancellation/processing fee of 15% will be charged. No refunds will be given if cancellation is received after the pre-registration deadline. No refunds will be given on site. Lunch tickets are nonrefundable.
- **Questions concerning the meeting or registration:** Contact WCDDA at (813) 654-2500 or email Kelsey at kelsey@wcdental.org.

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Seminar	Time	Title	Dentist Fee	Staff Fee
A	8:00am - 4:30pm	The Dynamics and Function of the Masticatory System: The Multiple (Inter) faces of Occlusion *Lunch Session 1 recommended	\$235.00	\$125.00
B	8:30am - 12:00pm	Some Days You're the Pigeon, Some Days the Statue! *Lunch Session 2 recommended	\$95.00	\$95.00
C	1:30pm - 5:00pm	The X Factor: 12 Keys to Set Your Practice Apart (the power of setting goals)	\$95.00	\$95.00
D	11:30am - 1:00pm	Session 1 Lunch Buffet	\$30.00	\$30.00
E	12:00pm - 1:30pm	Session 2 Lunch Buffet	\$30.00	\$30.00
Raffle		Fund Raffle Tickets 1 for \$5, 10 for \$25, 25 for \$50 # of tickets _____ = _____		
	4:30pm	Post Meeting Mixer # of Attendees _____		
	7:00pm	Presidential Reception (Thurs., Jan. 15th) Location: TBD # of Attendees _____		

Prices for each course will increase by \$20.00 on January 2, 2015. Registration policies are included in the brochure.

Registration Instructions: Print primary dentist info. below, indicate seminar letter and fee in boxes below, total across, total down with staff registration, include payment. Fax or mail registration to WCDDA office. You may also register on-line at www.wcdental.org.

All dentists must register as dentists – please print clearly

check category that applies below

Dentist Name: _____ WCDDA Member WCDDA Retired Member - \$50.00 (All CE)
 ADA Number: _____ FDA Mbr - \$25.00 ADA Mbr - \$50.00 Non ADA Mbr - \$350.00
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Email: _____ Telephone #: _____

Dentist Name	Circle	Seminar	Fee	Seminar	Fee	Seminar	Fee	Total
1.	DMD or DDS							
2.	DMD or DDS							

Staff Registration

Staff Name/job title Job title key	Seminar	Fee	Seminar	Fee	Seminar	Fee	Total
Hygienist – H Office Staff - S Assistant – A Lab Tech – L Hygiene Student – HS Assisting Student – AS							
1.							
2.							
3.							
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5.							
6.							
7.							

Total dentist fee plus total staff fee: _____

Payment Information: make check payable to WCDDA Credit Card

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Successful dental teams draw from a variety of communication "tools", from the patient's first contact with the office by phone to the point of getting the patient to commit to the entire treatment plan. Each step in the development of a relationship based examination and treatment plan requires every member of the office team to have a full range of communication tools, knowing why to use them, when to use them and how to use them.

For the dental team that wants to utilize a new skill set, they must not only passively learn the skill set, but must be actively engaged in learning to use the skill set, with "critical thinking", "decision making" and "creative thinking". Role playing with immediate feedback is critical to adult learning of a new skill set.

This program is designed to give the entire office team the Why, Where, When and How of communication systems to achieve the highest levels of customer service and case acceptance. Communication skills starting with the first phone call to the office will not only be discussed and demonstrated, but all team members will actively participate in each step of the communication process, getting a patient from the first phone call to committing to treatment recommendations. A key part of this process is the emotional examination interview and the "own your disease" examination, which must be mastered to achieve high case acceptance.

This program will allow attendees to:

- ✓ Establish the role communication plays from the patient perspective
- ✓ Learn the elements of true, quality communication
- ✓ Develop the goals of every patient encounter to assure "win - win" relationships
- ✓ Verbally guide the patient through a confidence enhancing first appointment
- ✓ Communicate accurate dental health conditions to the patient during the exam
- ✓ Get patients to want the highest levels of dental health and esthetics
- ✓ Allow all team members to answer difficult questions "on the spot"
- ✓ Give all team members the ability to talk about the money

*This 2 day course
will be beneficial to
all team members.*

Survey after survey suggests that most highly skilled dental teams feel that "their patients" will not support (pay for) the high level dentistry they have been trained to provide. Learning more technical skills does not address this problem. This program is really designed for office teams that have a high level of clinical skills, but do not feel their patients want or understand the benefits of the treatment the office can provide. Actual patient data will be used where possible to make Role Play exercises as realistic as possible.

Each attending office should bring a copy of their clinical examination forms and should be prepared to discuss with those attending the difficult questions they encounter in dealing with their patients.

REGISTRATION FORM

Fees:

WCDDA/FDA/ADA Member & Staff \$250.00 pp

Non-Member & Staff \$450.00 pp

Registration fees are all inclusive and includes lunch.

All dentists must register as dentists - please print clearly.

Dentist Name: _____

ADA Number: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Additional Dentist Names

1 _____ DMD or DDS

2 _____ DMD or DDS

Staff Registration: (Staff Name/Job Title)

Job Title Key: Hygienist - H, Assistant - A,

Staff - S, Lab Technician - L

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____

Total dentist fees plus total staff fees: \$ _____

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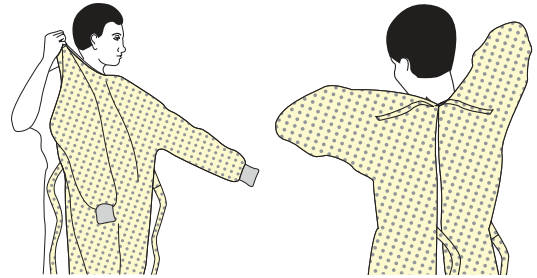
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SEQUENCE FOR **PUTTING ON** PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

The type of PPE used will vary based on the level of precautions required, such as standard and contact, droplet or airborne infection isolation precautions. The procedure for putting on and removing PPE should be tailored to the specific type of PPE.

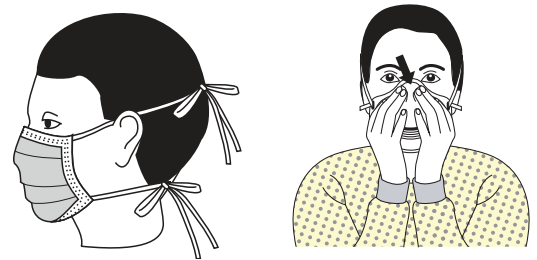
1. GOWN

- Fully cover torso from neck to knees, arms to end of wrists, and wrap around the back
- Fasten in back of neck and waist



2. MASK OR RESPIRATOR

- Secure ties or elastic bands at middle of head and neck
- Fit flexible band to nose bridge
- Fit snug to face and below chin
- Fit-check respirator



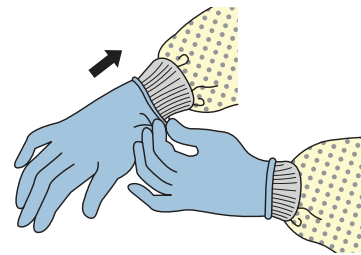
3. GOGGLES OR FACE SHIELD

- Place over face and eyes and adjust to fit



4. GLOVES

- Extend to cover wrist of isolation gown



USE SAFE WORK PRACTICES TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND LIMIT THE SPREAD OF CONTAMINATION

- Keep hands away from face
- Limit surfaces touched
- Change gloves when torn or heavily contaminated
- Perform hand hygiene

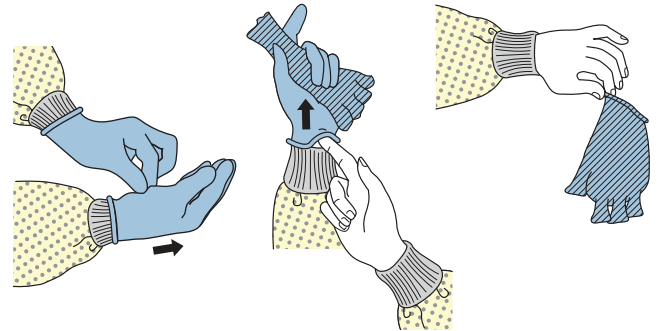


HOW TO SAFELY REMOVE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) EXAMPLE 1

There are a variety of ways to safely remove PPE without contaminating your clothing, skin, or mucous membranes with potentially infectious materials. Here is one example. **Remove all PPE before exiting the patient room** except a respirator, if worn. Remove the respirator **after** leaving the patient room and closing the door. Remove PPE in the following sequence:

1. GLOVES

- Outside of gloves are contaminated!
- If your hands get contaminated during glove removal, immediately wash your hands or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Using a gloved hand, grasp the palm area of the other gloved hand and peel off first glove
- Hold removed glove in gloved hand
- Slide fingers of ungloved hand under remaining glove at wrist and peel off second glove over first glove
- Discard gloves in an infectious* waste container



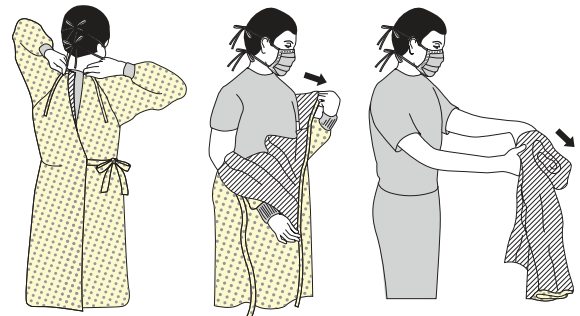
2. GOGGLES OR FACE SHIELD

- Outside of goggles or face shield are contaminated!
- If your hands get contaminated during goggle or face shield removal, immediately wash your hands or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Remove goggles or face shield from the back by lifting head band or ear pieces
- If the item is reusable, place in designated receptacle for reprocessing. Otherwise, discard in an infectious* waste container



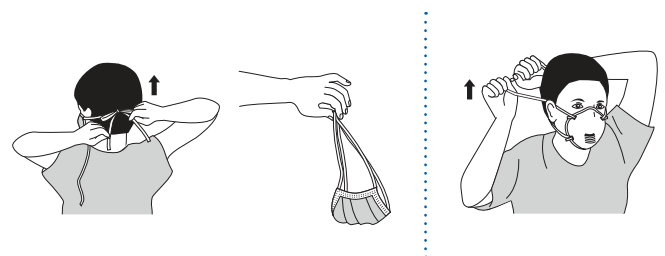
3. GOWN

- Gown front and sleeves are contaminated!
- If your hands get contaminated during gown removal, immediately wash your hands or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Unfasten gown ties, taking care that sleeves don't contact your body when reaching for ties
- Pull gown away from neck and shoulders, touching inside of gown only
- Turn gown inside out
- Fold or roll into a bundle and discard in an infectious* waste container

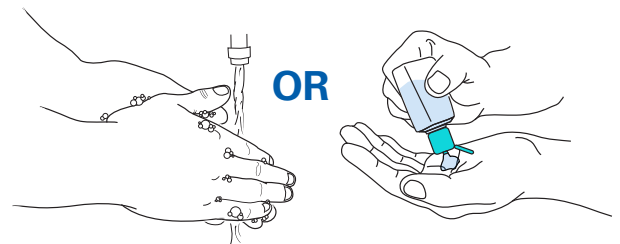


4. MASK OR RESPIRATOR

- Front of mask/respirator is contaminated — **DO NOT TOUCH!**
- If your hands get contaminated during mask/respirator removal, immediately wash your hands or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Grasp bottom ties or elastics of the mask/respirator, then the ones at the top, and remove without touching the front
- Discard in an infectious* waste container



5. WASH HANDS OR USE AN ALCOHOL-BASED HAND SANITIZER IMMEDIATELY AFTER REMOVING ALL PPE



* An infectious waste container is used to dispose of PPE that is potentially contaminated with Ebola virus.

**PERFORM HAND HYGIENE BETWEEN STEPS IF HANDS
BECOME CONTAMINATED AND IMMEDIATELY AFTER
REMOVING ALL PPE**

