This course is designed for dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants. Increasing numbers of dental patients are uncontrolled hypertensives or diabetics with complex oral health problems. Many new cardiovascular, central nervous system, and endocrine drugs can interact with dental drugs or affect bleeding or wound healing. Patient self-medication with supplements and over-the-counter drugs has recently been recognized as potentially risky in dentistry. Consequently, more and more patients report chemical and drug allergies and intolerances. Dental professionals are frequently faced with medically complex and chemically challenged patients and need practical strategies for providing safe and appropriate care. The purpose of this course is to identify new drug-related problems encountered in dental practice and to outline practical management solutions. Extensive handouts will supplement discussion of intra-oral drug effects and treatment modifications involving medicated or allergic patients. Drug and supplement references including PDA and Blackberry programs will be compared and recommendations about clinical usefulness will be discussed. Controversial issues related to the new total joint prosthesis guidelines, dietary supplement dangers, and dental drug interactions will be presented. Throughout the program, primary emphasis will be placed on developing consistent strategies for treating medically complex dental patients. An extensive and very current handout will greatly enhance the chair-side value of this fast-paced, comprehensive and practical course.

Course Objectives—As a result of attending this course, you should be able to:

• recognize the specific dental treatment modifications necessary to prevent complications in patients with major cardiovascular or central nervous system disorders,

• prescribe and explain antibiotic pre-medication based on new or updated guidelines,

• modify dental treatment for patients on new chronic medications for diabetes, asthma, gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), and rheumatoid arthritis, and

• identify the chronic medications or dietary supplements likely to precipitate drug interactions

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The day-long lecture is free to all dentists, dental co-professionals, dental faculty and students if the course is not taken for credit.

• If you plan to attend for no CDE credit, you still need to register.

• Seven continuing education credits may be earned by attending the lecture for a $100 processing fee* until March 25, 2015. Please pre-register for credits with the enclosed registration form. *This fee helps to cover the costs of this event that exceed the available annual funds of the Ernest M. Jones Memorial Lectureship Fund.

• Registering for CDE credit the day of the course will cost $110.

• If you register for credit, please bring your AGD or WSDA membership card to the course to receive electronic validation of CDE credits.

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