Continuing Education to Prevent Professional Decay

Is continuing education an obligation to maintain license(s), privileges and board certification or a way to continue to grow professionally and stay excited about pediatric dentistry? Likely both! Despite new clinical techniques, materials and practice management tools developing as this is read, it is easy to get into the habit of practicing the same way every day, especially when your systems are working well for you. As members of the AAPD there are virtually unlimited resources at our disposal at AAPD.org including but not limited to: publications, Oral Health Policies and Recommendations, a catalog of Education Meetings, and Podcasts.

Board certified pediatric dentists engaged in the Renewal of Certification Process (ROC-P) also have additional resources to assist in continuing education organization and enhancement. Your ROC-P Dashboard can function to organize all the CE you input, not just the minimum for maintaining board certification. Continuous Quality Improvement Modules (CQIs) are available at ABPD.org via your log-in and ROC-P Dashboard. Only two CQIs are required for your ROC-P; however, you may do as many as you like or all of them for more CE!

Learn more with these CQI Modules:

- Assessing Changes in Quality of Life and Dental Anxiety for Children After Dental Rehabilitation Under General Anesthesia
- Comparing GMTA and DFC in Pulpotomized Human Primary Molars
- Antibiotic Usage
- Hypophosphatasia
- Indirect Pulp Therapy
- Do early dental visits reduce the need for and cost of treatment in children?
- Documentation and Risk Assessment for Operating Room Care
- Adverse Events During Anesthesia
- Dental Bleaching for the Child and Adolescent Patient
- Bleeding Disorders and Dental Care
- Heritable Dental Developmental Anomalies
- Pain Management
- Patients with Special Needs
- Preformed Metal Crowns
- Local Anesthetics in Pediatric Dentistry
- Management of the Developing Dentition and Occlusion
- Eating Disorders in the Pediatric and Adolescent Population
- Prescribing Dental Radiographs
- Protective Stabilization
- Pulp Therapy
- Prevalence of Sleep Bruxism and Associated Factors in Preschool Children
- Preventive Effect of Fluoride Foam on Enamel Decalcification During Orthodontic Treatment
- Sedation Emergency Scenarios with Video
- Pulp Treatment Primary Incisors
- Restorative Pediatric Dentistry
- Sedation and Monitoring
- GI Disorders and Dental Care
- The Effect of Acid Etching Time to Bond Strength
- Soft Tissue Pathology and Considerations
- Effects of Glass Ionomer Temporary Restorations on Pulp Diagnosis & Treatment Outcomes in Primary Molars
- The Role of Glass Ionomer Cement on the Remineralization of Infected Dentin: An In Vivo Study
- Evaluation of Primary Carious Dentin after Cavity Sealing in Deep Lesions
- Trauma to Permanent & Primary Incisors
- Treatment Options for Incipient Decay Found in Anterior Teeth
- Use of Fluoride
- Use of Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) for Dental Caries Management
- Pediatric Psychopharmacology and Local Anesthesia: Potential Adverse Drug Reactions with Vasoconstrictor Use in Dental Practice

As a friendly reminder, the ROC-P Dashboard needs to be complete by November 30th and resets annually on January 1st. As convenient as remote learning is, knowledge gained in professional fellowship and collaboration during breaks and social outings is missed.

The ABPD hopes to see you in Chicago at the AAPD Annual Session!

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