

Learn Online: Continuing Dental Education (CDE) for Doctors and Surgeons

Course Introduction:

Dental Oncology is an area of dentistry focusing on the dental and oral manifestations of chemotherapy, radiation therapy and/or head and neck surgery. The discipline deals with evaluating patients before they undergo stem cell and bone marrow transplants, receive anti-resorptive medications (including bisphosphonates) or chemotherapy, and undergo radiation treatment. Additionally, dental oncologists provide periodic care during and after cancer therapy. Dental oncologists not only provide general dental treatment, including restorative dentistry, but they also treat and manage the dental and oral side effects and sequelae of cancer therapy such as mouth sores, thrush, and dry mouth. (*Lauren Levi, DMD*). Dental Rehabilitative Oncology focuses on Maxillofacial Prosthodontic Rehabilitation as well.

Briefly, Dental Rehabilitative Oncology is a discipline within dentistry that combines general dentistry, maxillofacial prosthetics, oral medicine, and oral pathology to provide a practical/hands on experience and close training along with the Head and Neck Rehabilitation Team.

Course Faculties:



Course Mentor and Faculty
Dr. Girish Rao

Consultant, Oral Onco Surgeon
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Course Mentor and Faculty
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Course Faculty
Dr. Vishal Rao

Chief of Head & Neck Surgical Oncology and
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Aim of the course:

- To provide state-of-the-art training to enable dental care for cancer patients.
- To qualify dentists aspiring to pursue a career in an Oncology Centre.

Eligibility Criteria:

The candidate should be BDS/MDS graduate.

Course Duration:

03 Months

Certification: GHA

Objective of the course:

The certificate program is to enable students:

- To educate and screen patients for prevention and early detection of oral potentially malignant diseases and oral cancer.
- For dental pre-habilitation prior, the start of any cancer treatment (Surgery/ Chemotherapy/ Radiotherapy/ Immunotherapy/ Bone Marrow Transplant/Organ Transplant).
- To prevent, control and treat odontogenic Infections in cancer patients.
- To restore the lost functions of mastication, phonation, aesthetics and psychological comforts with a multidisciplinary approach.
- To restore the functions of the oral cavity post cancer treatment with maxillofacial prosthodontics.
- To manage oro-dental complications caused by cancer and cancer treatment.
- To effectively communicate with the concerned doctors and paramedical staff.
- To refine their research ideologies and skills.

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