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**CAPP** announces the largest free virtual

## dental conference in November 2021

### By CAPPmea/Dentall Tribune MEA

DUBAI, UAE: Amidst the global COVID-19 pandemic, last November CAPP had the pleasure to welcome 30,546 dental professionals from 149 countries at its annual conference which took place virtually. The month-long dental educational programme featured CAPP's two annual conferences, sub-speciality seminars and 25 multidisciplinary dental hybrid handson training courses. As the pandemic continues, CAPP will once again provide this opportunity to all dental professionals interested to attend the month-long free educational programme in November 2021.

Centre for Advanced Professional Practices (CAPP) was founded in 2005 in Dubai, UAE by Dr Dobrina Mollova with the purpose of delivering excellence in CE in dentistry in the Middle East, Africa, Asia and beyond. CAPP is an American Dental Association Continuing Education Recognition Programme recognised provider.

In 2020, despite the effects of the COVID-19 global pandemic, CAPP was committed to continuing to organise its two annual worldclass scientific conferences, supporting dental professionals globally. When initial plans to host the year's in-person events were disrupted, CAPP swiftly redirected its efforts towards the organisation of two of the largest-ever virtual, scientifically accredited dental conferences instead - eight days, 11 hours per day, 56 continuing education (CE) credits, over 90

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speakers from six continents. Delegates also received dedicated sponsored virtual infomercials during the breaks with the latest updates on the innovations from the dental industry. Thanks to the advancements in virtual meeting technology, CAPP partnered with Zoom Webinars who was able to customize a special platform capable of hosting up to 50,000 participants users.

Despite global efforts to bring down ongoing COVID-19 infections in 2021, the pandemic continues to bring uncertainty for face-to-face international conferences and exhibitions. Dr Dobrina Mollova commented "With dentistry being a high-risk occupation during the global pandemic, it is of utmost importance that health and safety of our members and attendees remain our top priority. We were hopeful that by November 2021, we would be able to once again host our annual conference face-to-face in Dubai, UAE, but after a survey amongst our dental professionals and partners, we decided to once again provide these conferences on a virtual platform. The conferences will be available on a complimentary basis to anyone interested in high level continuing dental education". CAPP will still continue to host numerous face-to-face and virtual hands-on training courses throughout the year at its training facility in Dubai, whilst adhering to all COVID-19 precautionary measures set by the United Arab Emirates government.

Ever since the beginning of the pandemic, CAPP has continuously held weekly complimentary accredited livestream sessions from conferences, seminars to short webinar focussing on various multi-disciplinary topics and welcoming on average around 3,000 attendees a session. Several sessions even included a professional interpretation to serve non-English speaking dental professionals. In 2020 alone CAPP educated 43,475 international dental professionals. This was a sharp increase compared to previous years due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the CAPP November Dental Livestream 2020 - one of the largest scientific online conferences in the entire world

attracting 30,546 dental professionals from 149 countries who joined completely free of charge.

In November 2021, CAPP has announced the following accredited continuing dental educational programme:

CAPP November Dental Livestream 2021

- **o5 November 2021:** Dental Technician International Meeting
- **11-14 November 2021:** 16th CAD/CAM Digital Dentistry International Conference
- **18-21 November 2021:** 13th Dental Facial Cosmetic International Conference
- **26 November 2021:** Digital Orthodontics Symposium 2021
- **26 November 2021:** Dental Hygienist Seminar 2021
- Multi-disciplinary hands-on training courses 2021

With the news recently announced, several international associations, societies, education leading academies and dental universities have expressed interest to be part of this large international dental virtual gathering in November 2021. The conference will be in collaboration with the Emirates Dental Society, Ministry of Health & Prevention UAE, DHA, SEHA Abu-Dhabi, Saudi Dental Society, Saudi Orthodontic Society, Singapore Dental Association, Kuwait Dental Association, iDentalCourses, International group for Oral Rehabilitation, Lebanese Dental Association, The Lebanese Orthodontic Society, Oman Dental Society, Iraqi Dental Association, Saudi Orthodontic Society (Digital Orthodontics Scientific Partner), Association of Orthodontists (Singapore), AALZ Aachen Dental Laser Center, British Academy of Restorative Dentistry (BARD), British Academy of Dental Implantology (BADI), Tipton Training, International College of Dentists, Emirates Dental Hygienist Club, FDC Academy, Q&M Dental Group and Association for Oral Health.

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### **By Dentsply Sirona**

When it comes to restorative impressions, are you delighted with the results-each and every time? Large labs estimate that 70 to 90% of impressions could be better. And practices lose \$900 or more each month due to restoration production inefficiencies.

So what can you do to assure that your dental impressions are as accurate as possible to eliminate remakes? Now is the ideal time to consider digital impressioning with the Primescan intraoral scanner.

### Primescan for predictable outcomes

"In dentistry everything is about predictability," says Dr. Cary Brown, DDS, of StarWhite Dental in Murrieta, CA. "Using Primescan and the Connect Case Center, we can transmit our cases quickly to the laboratory. They can review our cases, give us instant feedback, and this all makes for a very predictable workflow." Here's another statistic to consider: based on more than 150,000 in-

traoral dental scans in the U.S. in 2020, Primescan delivered a 98.83% success rate

"Primescan allows us to have greater speed and efficiency," says Dr. Brown. "I feel like the accuracy is top-notch. And I have all the confidence in the world to do nearly any case with the Primescan.'

### Not a radical move, but a critical one

With the Primescan intraoral dental scanner, optimum results help ensure an ideal fit for any restoration or appliance. Plus, digital models are less prone to errors than analog casts. And no courier can be as fast as a digital data transfer. Every Primescan intraoral scanner includes software for a preferred partner or laboratory for safe, secure transmission of data to support your practice.

Digital impressions can boost precision and efficiency in other workflows as well, including implants and clear aligners. Plus, it puts you on the path to single-visit dentistry. By adding the Primescan intraoral scanner to your practice, you open the door to a host of digital dentistry possibilities.

Practices that make the switch to digital impressions with the Primescan



intraoral scanner never look back. "I can't see myself practicing without Primescan technology," says Dr. Brown. "It's too convenient, it's too predictable, and it just makes our practice and our life much easier."

### Now, see for yourself

Adding digital impressions is as

easy as scan, check, send. Reach out to your local Dentsply Sirona representative to request a Primescan demo to discover how it can benefit your patients and your practice.

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# Why I think the world is rejecting the dental spittoon

### By Nick Olive, A-dec Territory Manager for the Middle East

A lot has changed in the world over the last 18 months and the dental industry is no different. You have probably heard of the growing trend to move away from the use of dental spittoons. In some countries, such as the United States, the use of dental spittoons has been declining for years and the majority of private and government clinics in America no longer use dental spittoons. We now see the rest of the world starting to move in this direction.

Why are so many dental professionals now choosing to work without spittoons? Here a 5 main reasons:

### 1. Hygiene

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The ongoing pandemic has proved that hygiene has never been more important, especially within a dental surgery.

The 'rinse and spit' process involved in some dental appointments is an obvious issue when it comes to reducing cross-contamination. Patients can miss and spit on the floor, down the side of the chair, or even on the dental assistant!

Studies indicate the spittoon as having one of the highest concentrations of pathogens in the dental office. To adequately clean the spittoon between each patient takes a long time and evidence suggests that even with a good cleaning protocol, the spittoon remains the biggest cross-infection risk in dental surgery (Marques et al. 2016).

Instead, try to rinse for the patient with a 3:1 and high quality HVE suction from the treatment position. This can be done if you're working 2-handed or 4-handed. If you are working with this method, consider a 'taste free' water treatment product that helps to maintain water quality



within your dental unit and enhance the patient experience.

If your patients still like to rinse at the end of an appointment, you could consider a funnel attached to the HVE suction system which the patient can hold close to their mouth - reducing the risk of spills and the associated cross-contamination risk. Patients can also find this more comfortable than reaching for a spittoon.

### 2. Efficiency

Save time for more appointments by reducing cleaning times and removing the need to rinse.

Did you know it takes around 90 seconds to stop your procedure, raise your patient for a rinse and spit, and return to treatment? Multiply that by the number of patients you see per day and you may be surprised at how much time you lose every day for what is fast becoming an outdated ritual. Removing the spittoon improves ergonomics for the whole dental team and patients too by reducing unnecessary movements.

In a blind survey of dentists in France (who may or may not work with a -spittoon), 80% said working without a spittoon improves ergonomics in a surgery. 100% reported that asepsis is improved and 75% said patient comfort is improved!

Reduce the time, steps and effort in resetting the room between patients. If you don't have a spittoon, no one needs to clean it!

### 3. Reduce Costs

The spittoon is a significant investment when you purchase new equipment. Removing the dental spittoon could save you around 15% of the cost of your equipment. Why not invest this saving in value by adding accessories such as intra-oral cameras and electric micromotors. You will find that you can achieve saving in other areas too. Think of removing the need for plastic cups, spittoon filters and cleaners. As well as reducing the ongoing cost of consumable items, you can reduce your impact on the environment as well.

The absence of a spittoon also opens you up to more flexibility for surgery design including 'off the chair' solutions, changing patient access points, an easier left-right conversion for shared surgeries and the ability to create a larger working area for your dental nurse.

### 4. Reduce Maintenance

Fewer parts to your dental chair reduce both service cost and down-time.

Without a spittoon, dental chairs have less tubing, solenoids and circuit boards, making them easier and quicker to install – and there is less to go wrong.

This also eliminates the risk of a mains water leak if you are using only a self-contained water system as recommended.

Over the lifetime of your equipment, how much time and money could you save?

### 5. Design a room made for you

The absence of a spittoon improves access for the dental nurse, allowing them to get closer to the equipment and patient, whilst creating space for easier patient entry and exit.

Removing the spittoon improves aesthetics, allowing for a cleanerlooking, less-intimidating dental chair, which can help patients to feel more relaxed.

When you design your operatory without a spittoon you are no longer dictated by restricted access points and service locations.



Should you wish to further discuss how working without a spittoon can improve your facility, please don't hesitate to contact your local A-dec Territory Manager, Nick Olive on +44 (0)7824 021839 or email him at nick.olive@a-dec.com

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