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February Monthly Meeting: Medical and Dental Implications of the Most Prescribed Medications



Harold Crossley, DDS, PhD

Many physician prescribed medications used by patients have dental implications and side effects that may affect the treatment plan. Many of those medications are the drugs of choice of "doctor shoppers" and one of these medications is the most prescribed medication abused by adolescents. This presentation includes the indications, contraindications and side effects of the most commonly prescribed medications. These medications represent 30% of all prescriptions taken by dental patients and familiarity with these drugs will provide the dental practitioner with a better appreciation for the health profile of the dental patient.

Dr. Crossley is professor emeritus at the University of Maryland Dental School. He was awarded his master of science degree (1970) and a doctorate degree (1972) in pharmacology from the University of Rhode Island and his dental degree (1980) from the University of Maryland Dental School.

Dr. Crossley has been a consultant for the United States Drug Enforcement Administration and other law enforcement agencies since 1974.

The **Monday, February 13, 2012** scientific lecture will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner and a business meeting at 7:15 p.m. To register for the lecture please call the Society office, complete the registration form on page 2 or send an email to info@dcdental.org with your name. When registering, please indicate if you are staying for dinner.

Upcoming....

~ March Monthly Meeting: CBCT: Diagnosis & Treatment in the 3rd Dimension

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Is It Time to Rethink Give Kids a Smile Day?

On December 14, 2011, volunteers from the D.C. Dental Society and students from Howard University College of Dentistry met at Chamberlain Elementary School in Ward 6 to screen children for the 10th annual Give Kids A Smile (GKAS) Day in Washington, D.C. Approximately 330 children were screened, with about one fourth scheduled for treatment at Howard University College of Dentistry on February 3rd.

Most of the dentists participating in the screenings have been involved for several years and they are observing an interesting evolution. Each year it seems that more children have visited a local dentist than in the previous years, and many present with excellent restorative treatment. When thinking about this trend, a number of questions come to mind. If this actually is occurring, why is this happening? Is it a result of GKAS? Are we undercutting the local dentists who are now treating these children? Is GKAS perhaps becoming irrelevant?

Give Kids a Smile was designed to provide free dental care to children who were not getting care due to economic hardship. Dentists all across our country made a commitment to donate at least one day each year to provide dental care to children. It was impossible for dentists to voluntarily treat the needs of every child, but the program brought attention to the access to care problem and the fact that organized dentistry was willing and anxious to be a part of a solution. Locally, Howard University College of Dentistry and the District of Columbia Dental Society collaborated with local school officials to select the most appropriate school each year to be involved. In addition, several members of the D.C. City Council became aware of the program and added their support. The visibility of the program and the commitment shown by the dental community for GKAS was instrumental in the fight to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for children's dental treatment within the city. With the increase in reimbursement, more dentists were able to provide care to needy children and the result has been evident in the screenings over the past few years.

Is GKAS undercutting the local dentists who have begun to treat the previously underserved children? Not a chance. The patient base is such that the hundred or so kids treated at GKAS one day a year is insignificant when compared to the entire patient pool. Has GKAS become irrelevant? Definitely not.

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Monthly Membership Meeting Reservation Form

Monday, February 13, 2012

Washington Marriott Hotel
1221 22nd Street, NW

Scientific Lecture

Dinner Meeting

5:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

7:15 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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2012 Delegation to the ADA

Give Kids a Smile every year continues to show our city leaders that the dental community is still committed to the ongoing plight of the underserved dental community. And most importantly, the recent policy changes in Medicaid reimbursement show how important continued awareness and advocacy efforts are in making good dental care more accessible to all.

To learn how you can lend your support to this vital program, contact the D.C. Dental Society at (202) 547-7613.

Larry A. Crisafulli, DDS
Editor

The elections for delegate and alternate delegate positions took place at the January 10 monthly meeting. The following nominees were elected:

Delegate - Dr. Patrick M. Grogan
Alternate Delegate - Dr. Alan H. Singer

The 2012 Delegation to the ADA is as follows:

Dr. Sally J. Cram, Delegate
Dr. Patrick M. Grogan, Delegate
Dr. James G. Richeson, Jr., Alternate Delegate
Dr. Alan H. Singer, Alternate Delegate
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Do You Have Community Spirit?

The Foundation is currently seeking nominations for its "Community Spirit Award". This award was developed to recognize a D.C. Dental Society member who has unselfishly supported the underserved dental needs of our community and stands as an example for their colleagues. We know many of our members do great things in our community and the Foundation wants to recognize them for it. Nominees must have demonstrated one or all of the following criteria:

- a) Devoted time and expertise in improving the oral health of the D.C. Community
- b) Created partnerships within the dental community to provide oral health care
- c) Impacted dental organizations which advocate for oral health and disease prevention
- d) Benefited patients by volunteering their time and expertise in treating the underserved within the D.C. community
- e) Made generous financial donations to programs that supported oral health initiatives in the D.C. community

Please submit nominations to Dr. Sally Cram, foundation president, at drscram@yahoo.com or to the Society office. All nominations should include a brief paragraph which details how the nominee meets the criteria for the award and may also include testimonials or other letters of support.

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Dentist's Needed

The D.C. Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) is interested in purchasing endodontic services from a dentist trained and experienced in performing root canal therapy and other pulpal treatments. The DYRS provides dental care to juveniles in secure prison detention. DYRS has medical and dental staff onsite; however specialty services are not available currently.



The age group is typically 15-20 years old. Root canal treatments would be primarily performed as an urgent care service with limited return visits due to the fluidity in placement. The patient would be transported to the dentist's office by youth development specialists and would present in handcuffs. The DYRS has the need for approximately 6-8 patient visits a year. The dentist would be paid for their services directly by the D.C. DYRS.

If you are interested in providing root canal treatments to adolescents on a limited, urgent need basis, please contact Ms. Kris Laurenti.

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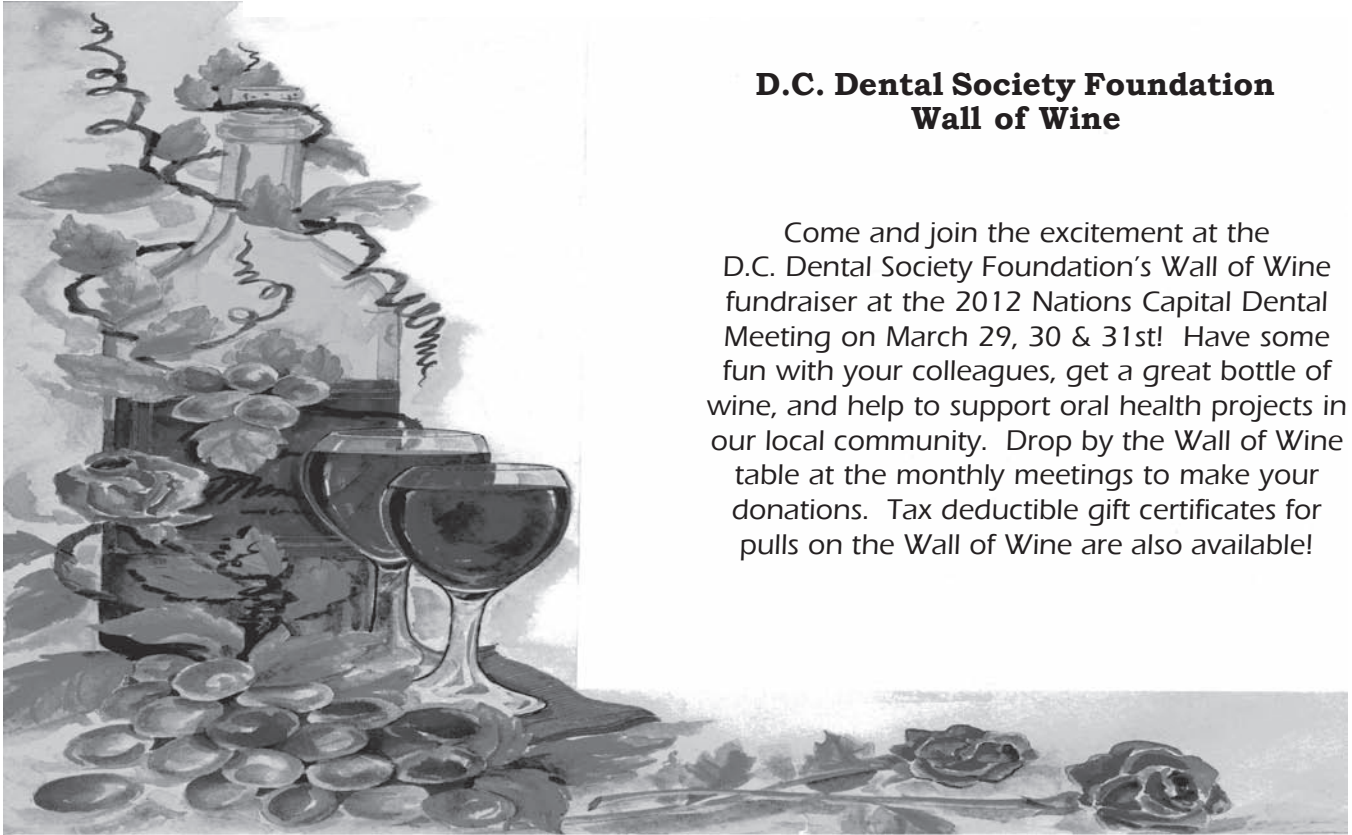
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D.C. Dental Society Foundation Wall of Wine

Come and join the excitement at the D.C. Dental Society Foundation's Wall of Wine fundraiser at the 2012 Nations Capital Dental Meeting on March 29, 30 & 31st! Have some fun with your colleagues, get a great bottle of wine, and help to support oral health projects in our local community. Drop by the Wall of Wine table at the monthly meetings to make your donations. Tax deductible gift certificates for pulls on the Wall of Wine are also available!

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- Dr. Gary DeWood and Dr. Lee Ann Brady
- Darrell Cain
- Jill Moore

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June 14-16, 2012

Williamsburg, Virginia

The Awards Committee is Accepting Nominations

The Society Awards Committee is accepting nominations for the 2012 Annual Awards. The awards will be presented at the Society's Annual Awards dinner on June 5, 2012. Nominations may be submitted to the Society office. The awards are as follows:

Sterling V. Mead Award

The nominee must be a dentist who has made distinguished contributions in any one area or all of the following areas: embracing the Society and the dental profession, education, research and civic organizations. The Sterling V. Mead Award is the Society's highest award.

Special Recognition of a Member

The nominee must be a member of the Society who through their efforts has brought recognition to the Society, their profession or themselves by contributions and accomplishments in areas such as public service, dental research/education, heroism, altruism or similar activities.

Humanitarian of the Year

The nominee should have demonstrated by his or her acts and/or accomplishments, a concern for mankind and for the alleviation of suffering. The nominee need not be a member of the Society.

Committee Member of the Year

The nominee must be a member of the Society who has distinguished himself/herself by volunteer committee work which is innovative, exceptionally voluminous and successful in involving others in participating in committee work.

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Nation's Capital Dental Meeting Highlight

Nation's Capital Dental Meeting
March 29 - 31, 2012

Lets take a look at this years doctor track broken down into areas of clinical interest:

Restorative Dentistry:

The Dawson Academy - Functional Occlusion from TMJ to Smile Design
Dr. Markus Blatz - Ceramic Update
Dr. Steven Goldstein - Digital Photography
Dr. Donald Antonson - Resin Composite Technology
Dr. Michael Blicher / Dr. John Drumm - Temporaries with Ease
Dr. Robert Lowe - Composite Restorative Dentistry
Dr. James Patsis - Resin Composite Technology
Dr. Flavio Rasetto - All Ceramic Restorations
Dr. Terence Donovan - Restoration of the Worn Dentition
Dr. William Wilson - Prosthetics & Combat Injuries
Ms. Dyan Jayjack - Equipment Repair Workshop
Dr. Gary Schumacker - Straight talk about restorative materials
Dr. Paul Feuerstrein - 3-D Technology / High Tech Product Review

Endodontics:

Dr. Barry Musikant - Common Sense Endodontics
Dr. Gary Glassman - Endodontic Solutions
Dr. Martin Levin / Dr. Anastasia Mischenko - CBCT in Endodontics

Implant Dentistry:

Dr. Dennis Tarnow - Esthetics & Implant Dentistry
Dr. John Davliakos - Restoring with confidence
Mr. Tony Prestipino - 3-D Imaging Guides

Leadership & Ethics:

Dr. Don Patthoff - Leadership and Ethics in Contemporary Practice

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery:

Dr. Michael Turner - Oral Surgery Techniques
Dr. Eric Weiss - Socket Preservation
Dr. Michael Will - Maxillofacial War Injuries

Oral Medicine and Pathology:

Dr. Uche Odiatu - Inflammation 911 / Get Fit - Get Smart
Dr. Donald Lewis - Medical Emergencies
Dr. Ellen Bryne / Dr. John Svirsky - Great Cases, New Faces
Dr. Ronald Brown - Allergies and Dentistry
Dr. Barry Glassman - Dental Sleep Medicine
Dr. Warren Tewes - Forensic Odontology
Dr. Christos Loukaitis - CMD
Dr. Louis DePaola - What's Bugging You: Infection Control

New Member

Dr. John Svirsky - Drugs I have know & loved
Ms. Maryann Schneiderman - Salivary Diagnostics
Dr. Gary Kaplan - Introduction to Acupuncture
Dr. Gary Warburton - TMJ Disorders
Dr. Kenneth Newkirk - Early Detection & Treatment
Advances in Oralpharyngeal Head and Neck Cancers
Dr. Reza Farshey - Mechanisms of Pain
Dr. Kambiz Fotoohi - From boomers to geriatrics
Dr. Elliot Alpher / Dr. Joel Rosenberg - Sleep Apnea

Orthodontics:

Dr. Richard Boyd - Invisalign Clear Essentials I
Dr. Jacqueline Fulop-Goodling - Invisalign Clear Essential II
Dr. Linda Hallman - Orthodontics

Pediatric Dentistry:

Dr. Ricardo Perez - Pediatric Dentistry Today

Periodontics:

Dr. Samuel Low - "New" Periodontal Disease
Dr. Georgann Apgar / Dr. Karl Rose - LANAP

Practice Management:

Dr. Mark Hyman - The "Top Gun" Dental Team
Dr. Donald Lewis - Embezzlement & Fraud
Ms. Adele McAlear - Content for Engaging Social Media
Mr. Darin McCue - The 21st Century Office
Ms. Lois Banta - Insurance Strategies
Dr. Sally Cram - Keys to a stress free practice
Mr. David Norton - Word of Mouth: Social Media

Mark your calendars and check your mail for the preliminary program which will mailed this month.

The Nation's Capital Dental Meeting Committee

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But which laser to choose? Now that FDA approved lasers are more affordable and available for multiple dental applications, our members are asking “Is it time to add a laser or another laser wavelength to my practice?” On March 9th and 10th,2012 Dr. Robert Convissar will help you answer that question.

Day One: The first day is lecture only with unlimited enrollment, receiving 7 CE credits. Dr. Convissar will detail laser use in: Non-Surgical, Surgical and Regenerative Periodontal Therapy, Surgical and Restorative Implantology, Fixed and Removable Prosthetics, Oral Medicine, Oral Surgery and Oral Pathology, Pediatric and Adolescent Operative Dentistry, Endodontics, Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics, Esthetic/Cosmetic Dentistry and Practice Management and Marketing. There will be NO formal hands on participation but there WILL BE DEMOS of the lasers during breaks and lunch.

Day Two: The second day is an optional day limited to the first 25-30 enrollees at the adjusted registration fee (includes both lecture and hands-on participation). This day includes hands on experience with various laser wavelengths, the option to receive Academy of Laser Dentistry Certification and a total of 12 CE credits. Each participant will gain hands-on experience with various FDA approved laser wavelengths, performing surgical procedures on in-vitro models. Real time videos of routine laser procedures will be part of the in-depth discussion of specific instrument settings and techniques for laser surgical procedures.

Schedule of Events

March 9th, 2012

Registration	7:30 - 8:30
With Continental Breakfast	
Lectures	8:30 - 4:30
Buffet Lunch Included	
AGD Regional Officers Meeting	4:30

March 10th, 2012 (optional)

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Laser Certification	8:00 - 12:00

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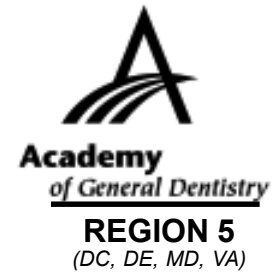
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