

Autism & Strategies/ Silver Products & Non-Surgical Mgt. of Caries - the Old, the New & the Ugly

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This course will have one three-hour session (Autism and Strategies for the Dental Practitioner) in the morning, and one three-hour session (Silver Products and Non-Surgical Management of Caries) in the afternoon. Autism and Strategies for the Dental Practitioner will include a 90-minute lecture, followed by a panel discussion with parents and a pediatric dentist.

Autism and Strategies for the Dental Practitioner

Course Objectives: Attendees will learn

- Information about what autism is, how to diagnose it, signs and symptoms of autism, and general strategies
- Environmental, sensory, communication, social skill, and behavioral strategies
- How to identify ways to decrease anxiety and stress with the individual and have a basic understanding of what triggers some behaviors

Silver Products and Non-Surgical Management of Caries

Course Objectives: Attendees will

- Be familiar with the different types of topical silver products currently on the market, including their purported mechanisms of action in caries management
- Be familiar with the indications, contraindications, and clinical application of silver diamine fluoride
- Understand the scientific evidence supporting the non-surgical caries management approaches and recommendations for their use
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Cathy Dionne - Bio



Cathy is executive director of the Autism Society of Maine. She is a parent of a 24-year-old son with autism, who was diagnosed at the age of 18 months, and a 26-year-old daughter. She became involved with the Autism Society of Maine in 1996, first as a member of the Board of Directors, and then became vice president. Cathy then became a staff member of the Autism Society of Maine. She has now been with ASM for 21 years, during which she has been responsible for developing ASM's fundraising efforts. Her other accomplishments include initiating camp programs at the University of Farmington and in Biddeford, and organizing the annual Autism Family Retreat Weekend.

Dr. J. Timothy Wright - Bio



Dr Wright received his DDS degree from West Virginia University, and completed his specialty training in pediatric dentistry at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He currently is the Distinguished Bawden Professor in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and has served as Pediatric Dentistry Department chair. He is a Diplomat of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and a Fellow of the American Academy for the Advancement of Science. He has published over 200 peer-reviewed scientific manuscripts, edited two texts, and authored 24 text chapters. Dr. Wright has served as the chair of the Council for Scientific Affairs for the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the American Dental Association. He is currently president-elect of the American Association for Dental Research.