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GENERAL DENTISTRY



MID WINTER MEETING

Embassy Suites, Charleston WV | JAN. 22 - 24, 2026

THURSDAY | JAN. 22

8:30 am

WVDA'S DENTISTRY DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL

5:30 pm

WVDA LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION, CULTURE CENTER



FRIDAY | JAN. 23

8:30 am - 11:30 am

MORNING SESSION

WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T SAVE THOSE TEETH? - 7 HOURS CE



Dr. Edward Feinberg - a graduate of Tufts University and practiced Dentistry in Scarsdale, New York for more than 40 years. Now practicing in Arizona, he is the successor to a unique tradition of restorative dentistry. He was trained by a master and pioneer in full coverage restorative dentistry, Dr. Elliot Feinberg. The techniques used by Drs. Edward and Elliot Feinberg have been documented with more than 100,000 pictures taken during the past 70 years. Dr. Feinberg is currently Director of ONWARD, an online teaching organization for full coverage restorative dentistry (theONWARDprogram.com). To date he has created more than 35 online courses for the site. The site also has an extensive library of downloadable materials a monthly blog.

Dr. Feinberg works with dentists who want to improve their crown and bridgework skills so that they can deliver better treatment outcomes for their patients.

COURSE OBJECTIVES - PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN:

- Why full coverage restorations on natural teeth are often superior to implant restorations
- About basic principles that allow full coverage restorations to achieve an ideal, predictable result
- How to prepare teeth properly in order to create health and eliminate deformities
- How to fabricate provisional and final restorations that fit and do not fall out
- How to virtually eliminate periodontal disease and recurrent decay with full coverage restorations
- How to restore teeth with little or no clinical crowns (*without* posts, buildups, fancy extrusion procedures or extensive crown lengthening)

NOON

WVDA 2026 OFFICER INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T SAVE THOSE TEETH? (Continued)



SATURDAY | JAN. 24
8:30 am - NOON



MORNING SESSION
UN-INDOCTRINATING THE DOCTRINES
OF ORAL MICROBIOLOGY: RIGHTING 7 “WRONGS” - 3 HOURS CE

John G Thomas PhD, Professor Emeritus - recognized as an “International Educator and Global Microbiologist” (globalbugs.com) having lectured in more than 43 countries while a clinical microbiologist in pathology (Professor), dentistry (Clinical Professor) and Graduate School Education (Adjunct Professor) for 54 years, his research emphasizing biofilms and medical devices.

- LEARNING OBJECTIVES:
- Understand human “US” is composed of Macro (Human) and Micro (Microbial) symbionts, and ‘intelligent’ symbiosis between them is the key to health or multiple endogenous diseases, particularly the NCDs, via a common framework.
 - Understand that the oral microbial diversity is influenced by oral bacteriophage, a key member of the microbiome/biofilm as the ‘phageome’, highlighting regulation thru natural CRISPR-Cas schemes.
 - Understand the rhythm of the 2 kingdoms in humans, Macro and Micro, in synchrony will create new opportunities for intervention using time interface between the 2, defined by a new clinical service called chrono dentistry, benefiting the circadian clocks of both.
 - Understand oral management will focus on microbiome first dentistry and interventions will be patient targeted highlighting 4 microbiome goals forgetting “kill” and eliminate microbes, rather: Protect, Preserve, Replace, Rejuvenate (Rewind the microbial clock).
 - Understand that the implementation of the above 4 “learning objectives” will be visualized thru an illustrative patient, a 66 y/o obese female patient with generalized periodontal disease, co morbidities, with multiple office visits.

NOON LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

AFTERNOON SESSION
RISK MANAGEMENT IN THE DENTAL PRACTICE - 4 HOURS CE
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Dr. Adel "Al" Rizkalla - graduated from Georgetown University School of Dentistry with honors in 1988. He also completed a General Practice residency at the Veterans Administration Hospital Center in Washington, D.C. Dr. Rizkalla was the President of the Northern Virginia Dental Society (NVDS) and the President of the Virginia Board of Dentistry.

Dr. Rizkalla is a fellow of the American College of Dentists, International College of Dentists, Pierre Fauchard Academy and the Virginia Dental Association. Over the years, and most recently in 2021 and 2022, Dr. Rizkalla has been named a Top Dentist by the Washingtonian Magazine and the Northern Virginia Magazine. Dr Rizkalla teaches Restorative Dentistry, Ethics, and Practice management. Dr. Rizkalla has the honor to represent the American Dental Association on ASHRAE. He is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Northern Virginia Dental Society.

This course is open to all dentists and staff. For dentists insured by Dentists Choice, you will receive a 10% accreditation for your professional liability premium for 3 years.

- LEARNING OBJECTIVES:
- Identify and Analyze Risks Our course helps you recognize common and emerging risks in dental practice, including malpractice claims, patient safety and compliance.
 - Implement Risk Reduction Strategies Our dental experts talk on how to apply best practices when it comes to: clinical documentation, informed consent, patient communication and infection control to mitigate potential liability.
 - Ethical Considerations Learn how to navigate key legal principles, ethical obligations and state/federal regulations impacting dental risk management.
 - Enhance Decision-Making Develop critical thinking skills to access risk scenarios and make informed decisions that protect both you and the patient.
 - Manage Patient Complaints Implement protocols for handling patient grievances, managing adverse outcomes, and reducing the likelihood of escalation to litigation.
 - Develop a Risk Management Plan We promote and teach a proactive risk management mindset among dental team members to enhance patient care and minimize liability exposure.

OR

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm WVDA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING



Register for
the meeting



Reserve your rooms
at Embassy Suites

