

Date: November 13, 2024

Place: Radisson Hotel Hauppauge 110 Motor Parkway – registration required in advance!

Agenda:

• 6:00pm Dinner

• 7:00pm Business Meeting

• 7:30pm Featured Education Program (2 CE/No Charge SCDS Members) David R. Scharf, DMD

Treating Advanced Periodontal Disease. Are We In the Postsurgical Era?

## Synopsis

Traditionally, advanced periodontitis has been treated with scaling and root planing followed by flap surgery to either recontour the bone or graft for regeneration. While this treatment is highly effective, patients acceptance is low and morbidity is high. This has led to an epidemic of untreated/undertreated periodontitis. The consequences of this with respect to tooth loss, perio-medical interactions, and professional liability are well documented. This program will discuss the contemporary techniques that allow dentists to treat even the most advanced cases of periodontitis without flaps or suturing. These methods require less chair time and virtually no recovery time on the patients part. These techniques are mainstream and currently used by almost one third of periodontists in the US. Multiple human histologic studies have proven their effectiveness in terms of bone regeneration to be equal to flap with graft. In addition to treating periodontists, these techniques are highly successful in treating periimplantitis.

### Objectives

- 1. Understand the most common reasons patients don't follow the dentist recommendations to treat their periodontal disease.
- 2. Understand the rationale for periodontal surgery.
- 3. Understand the rationale for perioscopy, laser assisted new attachment procedure, and laser assisted periimplanttis procedure.
- 4. Understand how these procedures are capable of creating an environment were bone regeneration can take place.
- 5. Be able to discuss these procedures with patients so that the patient can decide if they want traditional flap surgery or these more contemporary procedures when making a referral for advanced periodontal disease management.

#### About the speaker

Dr. David Scharf is a dual board certified periodontist practicing in Babylon NY. He is a former clinical assistant professor in the department of periodontics and dental implants at New York University and is currently on the faculty at the Institute for advanced laser dentistry in Cerritos California.

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