



Continuing Dental Education – CE Day

Morning session 1: 8:30 am to 11:00 am

Title: Dentistry’s role in cleft lip/palate management and the evolution of pediatric dentistry in China

Instructor: Dr. Theresa. P. Chiang, BSc, DDS, PhD (Dental Medicine), MSc (Epidemiology)



Dr. Chiang undertook post-doctoral work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and was a teaching fellow in pediatric dentistry and a fellow at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine/Boston Children’s Hospital. She is president of the Canada China Child Health Foundation and served

as China’s consultant on the Preventive Dentistry Steering Committee. Dr. Chiang is an associate professor at the University of British Columbia. She also holds numerous honorary positions, including: president of China’s Nanjing Stomatology hospital, Nanjing Medical University; professor/ consultant at the Beijing Children’s Hospital, Beijing Institute of Pediatrics, Harbin Children’s Hospital; Guangzhou Maternal and Child Health Institute, Guangzhou children’s Hospital; Tianjin children’s Hospital, Children’s Hospital of Dalian, Nanjing Maternal and Child Health Hospital; Maternal and Child Health hospital of Wuhan, Suzhou health College; and at the Chongqing Medical University Children’s Hospital. Dr. Chiang is a recipient of the WUSC Lewis Perinbam Award for International development.

Description

Cleft lip and palate are a common congenital maxillofacial deformity. There are serious tissue defects with the loss of maxillary bone segment and tissue displacement involved, affecting both appearance and function. This deformity causes major challenges because of associated problems, such as feeding, conduct disorder, high treatment cost, ear infection, hearing loss, and language difficulty. Prevalence varies among different countries and even within the same country among different ethnic groups. With the advancement of science and technology, new surgical techniques and treatments have greatly improved the effectiveness of the treatment of cleft lip and palate. Current approaches to cleft lip and palate treatment go beyond simple surgical repair, including the restoration of physical appearance and function, assessing psychological problems, and monitoring changes in growth and development.

This CE session will cover the optimal management of cleft lip and palate treatment using an integrated and collaborative/multidisciplinary approach, now almost standard in the US and Canada. The session will also present a specific program that was initially introduced to China in 1999 through multiple exchange programs with Canada and the US, beginning at the Guangzhou Children’s Hospital and later followed by children’s hospitals in Harbin, Qinghai, Beijing, and Chongqing.

Learning objectives

At the conclusion of this presentation, the attendee will:

- Learn about cleft lip and palate in children and the challenges associated with this congenital maxillofacial deformity.
- Understand recent science and technology advancements in the treatment of cleft lip and palate.
- Understand current treatment using a multidisciplinary approach.
- Learn about the evolution of projects between Canada and China in the treatment of cleft lip and palate.

CE Day Schedule 6 Credit Hours	
Registration: 8:00 am to 8:30 am	
AM Sessions	
Session 1 (8:30 am to 11:00 am) Dr. Theresa Chiang Dentistry’s role in cleft lip/palate management and the evolution of pediatric dentistry in China	Session 2 (8:30 am to 11:30 am) Dr. Aaron Burry Lessons learned from COVID-19 for Dentists
PM Sessions	
Session 1 (12:30 pm to 3:30 pm) Dr. Robert Roda Cracked teeth: A modern epidemic	Session 2 (12:30 pm to 3:30 pm) Dr. Eraldo Batista and Dr. Aditya Patel Update in periodontics

