

Dental Postgraduate Department

ALL RIGHT ON THE BITE Occlusion, splints and restoring tooth wear

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<u>Date and venue</u>: Thursday 7th March 2024 The County Ground, County Rd, Swindon SN1 2ED

> <u>Course Organiser</u>: Samantha Braddock

<u>Course Lecturers:</u> Prof Brian Millar and Dr Fariha Hussain

Programme

0900- 09.30	Registration
09.30 -11.00	Seminar: Occlusion without the confusion. Types of splint, when to use them and when they simply make things worse.
11.00 -11.15	Coffee
11.15-12.45	Hands-on: making various splints to treat TMD, clenchers, bruxism, chronic headaches, sleep apnoea, phantom bite and clicky joints.
12.45-13.30	Lunch
13.30-14.45	Hands-on: (a) dealing with localised tooth wear on anterior and posterior teeth. (b) dealing with generalised wear
14.45-15.00	Coffee
15.00-16.15	Hands-on: managing tooth wear cases using monitoring and maintenance; and when to move on from repair, resurface, replace to restore.

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<u>Aim</u>

The aim of this course is to teach the important features of occlusion, to understand when and how to intervene in a safe and ethical way, how and when to use occlusal splints, and provide a deeper understanding of the causes, intervention options and management of tooth wear.

Objectives:

By the end of this courses delegates should:

- 1. be able to explain the clinical records for each splint including impressions, jaw registrations and facebow records where necessary
- 2. be able to demonstrate how to fit and adjust each splint
- 3. recognise how and when to use different splints safely to treat clenchers, bruxists and tooth wear
- 4. describe tooth wear diagnosis and intervention options from monitoring and prevention to intervention.
- 5. explain how to be able to quickly and correctly check the occlusion before and after placing restorations

Learning objectives:

At the end of the course participants will:

- Be able to select and use a splint for a range of clinical situations including clenching, bruxists, TMD,
- 2. Be able to successfully use occlusal splints
- 3. Know how to fit, adjust and monitor splints
- 4. Be able to treat TMD and tooth wear more effectively
- 5. Understand how to check the occlusion and when to change the occlusion when restoring teeth particularly in a tooth wear case
- 6. Know how and when to use Dahl and when not to use it

GDC development outcome:

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The eGDC activity log suggests reflecting on the following during and after this course:

- What did you learn (or confirm) from the activity that was helpful or relevant to your daily work and patients?
- Did you identify any changes/updates needed in your daily work, and if so, what? How did you make these changes?
- If you didn't identify changes needed, what did the activity confirm for you, that you may already know or be doing?
- What was the benefit to your work and/or your patients in carrying out this activity?



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