PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:
This program will present the biologic events regarding socket sites post extraction of teeth. It will include a classification of socket and alveolar ridge defects, as well as decision making regarding the best time to graft, and the criteria for graft material selection; the biology of healing for different graft materials and the lengths of time required for healing. This program will be of particular interest for general practitioners regarding diagnosis and assessment of clinical conditions and whether or not the patient needs to be referred to a surgical specialist. The goal of comprehensive treatment will be to meet individual patient needs, with excellent sustainable esthetic and functional outcomes. Numerous clinical cases will be illustrated.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:
At the completion of the program, participants should be able to:

• Identify potential complications associated with tooth extractions regarding osseous and soft-tissue anatomy.
• Describe the biologic principles associated with hard- and soft-tissue healing, with and without grafting.
• Describe the benefits and limitations of immediate versus delayed implant placement with simultaneous grafting and be able to implement the most appropriate treatment option.
• Have a working knowledge of the benefits and limitations of the various kinds of products commercially available for grafting procedures.

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