The goal of implant therapy is to provide, in an efficient manner, a restorative solution that is long lasting, functional, and aesthetically pleasing. Proper diagnosis and treatment planning make this possible and lead to favorable outcomes. This program will include the presentation of a systematic approach to the examination of the patient and consideration of the biologic and mechanical requirements of implants and restorative materials, as well as the parameters for design and location of occlusal and interproximal contacts of implant restorations and their influence on outcomes.

After completion of the program, participants should be able to:

- List the elements of an oral examination that are appropriate to planning for implant therapy.
- Describe and compare the types of information available from various radiographic techniques.
- Describe the relationships between implants, bone and soft tissue as they relate to stability and appearance.
- Describe the evidence-based evaluation of implant restorations in different locations in the mouth.

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