Orofacial Pain Continuum™
A new category of CE for orofacial pain.
in New Orleans

For dentists and other health care professionals who have a desire to enhance diagnosis and management of patients with TMD disorders, sleep disorders, and other types of orofacial pain.

Session 1: Friday – Saturday, June 13-14, 2014
Clinical Application of Head, Neck, and Airway Anatomy with Dissection

Session 2: Friday – Saturday, August 22-23, 2014
Temporomandibular Disorders (TMDs)

Session 3: Friday – Saturday, October 31-November 1, 2014
Dentistry’s Role in the Diagnosis & Management of Sleep Disorders

Session 4: Friday – Saturday, January 30-31, 2015
The Many Faces of Orofacial Pain: Beyond TMD

Session 5: Friday – Saturday, April 17-18, 2015
Patient Case Presentations & Review

Directed, coordinated, and presented by: Drs. Henry Gremillion, Dale Ehrlich, and Gary Klasser with additional faculty in the areas of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Clinical and Health Psychology, Physical Medicine, and Sleep Medicine.

The LSU Health Continuing Dental Education brand name is used to represent the long-standing affiliation and working relationship between LSU Health New Orleans School of Dentistry and The Louisiana Academy of Continuing Dental Education, Inc. for the purpose of developing continuing education programs.
A limited-attendance, 5-session program for dentists and other health care professionals starting June 13-14, 2014 and ending April 17-18, 2015.

Continuum Directors: Drs. Henry Gremillion, Dale Ehrlich and Gary Klasser
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Henry A. Gremillion, DDS, MAGD

Dr. Gremillion is dean of LSU Health New Orleans School of Dentistry. Prior to becoming dean, he served for over 17 years as director of the Parker E. Mahan Facial Pain Center at the University of Florida College of Dentistry and also directed the college's fellowship program in craniomandibular dysfunction. He received his DDS from LSU and maintained a general dental practice in Cottonport, Louisiana for over a decade. Dr. Gremillion has lectured extensively in the United States and abroad and has authored or co-authored over 75 scientific articles, abstracts, and book chapters in the field of orofacial pain. In recent years, he has been instrumental in recruiting a core group of new dental school faculty members to address education and patient care in the area of orofacial pain.

A. Dale Ehrlich, MS, DDS, MAGD

Chairman of the Department of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials at LSU Health New Orleans School of Dentistry and a retired Captain in the Dental Corps, US Navy, Dr. Ehrlich earned his DDS at Indiana University. He completed a fellowship in orofacial pain at the University of Florida Craniofacial Pain Center. Upon completion of this training, he was assigned to the Naval Postgraduate Dental School (NPDS) where he established the Orofacial Pain Postgraduate Program for the Navy Dental Corps and served as the first specialty leader for temporomandibular disorders (TMD) and orofacial pain. At NPDS, he co-founded the Department of Defense Orofacial Pain Center and its residency program. Dr. Ehrlich is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orofacial Pain and the American Board of General Dentistry.

Gary D. Klasser, DMD

An associate professor at LSU Health New Orleans School of Dentistry's Department of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials, Division of Diagnostic Sciences, Dr. Klasser earned his DMD from the University of Manitoba. He earned a certificate in orofacial pain from the University of Kentucky, College of Dentistry, and he completed a fellowship in oral medicine and oral oncology at the University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Dentistry where he served as assistant professor and director and chief of the oral medicine and orofacial pain clinic. Currently, his responsibilities at LSU include: clinical management, continuing education, research, and training of predoctoral and postdoctoral students. He is the author or co-author of 50 peer-reviewed journal articles, two textbooks, and six textbook chapters.
LSU’s Commitment to Orofacial Pain Education

The widespread condition known as orofacial pain often has a devastating impact on a patient’s quality of life. Some surveys estimate that 22 percent of Americans over 18 years of age commonly report pain in the orofacial region. When headache is included, the incidence of orofacial pain is much higher. In response to the high incidence of orofacial pain, LSU has committed significant resources to recruiting educators who can provide patient care, as well as instruct students in the field of orofacial pain. According to Dr. Henry A. Gremillion, dean of LSU School of Dentistry, “As health care professionals, we should be able to diagnose, treat, or at least know when to refer orofacial pain patients to a qualified practitioner.”

Dean Gremillion envisions LSU Health New Orleans School of Dentistry as a place where patients who suffer from recurrent or chronic oral and craniofacial pain can receive quality evaluation and care. Equally important, students and residents will have the opportunity to gain knowledge and clinical experience in the treatment of orofacial pain. Key faculty will also encourage research collaboration between basic scientists and clinicians with a focus on developing new and improved clinical treatments for temporomandibular disorders and orofacial pain. As resources and funding become available, LSU School of Dentistry will continue to strengthen and expand its activities in the area of orofacial pain for both students and practitioners.

Overview & Objective

Because many different types of health care providers treat orofacial pain patients, the target audience for this continuum is inter-professional. Dentists who treat patients with TMD, sleep disorders, or other types of orofacial pain are the primary target audience for this continuum; however, physicians and other allied health professionals are also part of this target audience and are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Because there is a need for a CE program for orofacial pain that is more comprehensive, LSU has developed the following objective for the continuum. The LSU School of Dentistry Orofacial Pain Continuum™ is designed to create a new category of CE for orofacial pain that is more comprehensive; its primary objective is to help practitioners better evaluate, diagnose, and treat their patients.

A limited-attendance program with a low attendee to faculty ratio, the continuum will facilitate more one-on-one learning opportunities and better relationship building and bonding between and among attendees and faculty. Designed around five Friday and Saturday sessions at LSU School of Dentistry, each session starts at 8:30 a.m. daily and ends at approximately 5:00 p.m. and includes breakfast, lunch, and beverage and snack breaks. The continuum tuition fee for all five sessions is $7,950. If you register together with another attendee, your tuition is $6,360 and you save $1,590! If you register with at least two other attendees, your tuition is $5,565 and you save $2,385!

Before the first session and between each session, you will have self-study assignments. Self-study will consist of reading assignments in books and journals that apply to each subsequent session. These reading assignments are a key element of this more comprehensive approach to orofacial pain continuing education. Not including self-study assignments, a maximum of 70 hours of clinical CDE credit will be earned from the five two-day sessions.

On Thursday evening, June 12, 2014, LSU will host a welcoming reception for all attendees at our downtown host hotel. This reception will give you an initial taste of New Orleans and its hospitality and an opportunity to meet and get to know the continuum faculty and the other attendees in a relaxed setting. On Thursday evening, April 16, 2015, LSU will host a dinner in a private dining room for the The LSU School of Dentistry Orofacial Pain Continuum™ Class of 2015 and the course directors. At this dinner, the course directors will announce how the faculty will stay in touch with the Class of 2015. Each class member will receive a certificate of completion acknowledging his/her comprehensive year of study and class work.
The Five Session Experience

Session 1 is Clinical Application of Head, Neck, and Airway Anatomy with Dissection; it provides attendees the opportunity to perform an in-depth dissection of the head, neck, and airway. Each laboratory session will be preceded by a lecture and discussion and will conclude with a clinical summary. The emphasis of this session will be on osteology, the oral cavity, the nasal cavity, the digastric triangle, and the temporomandibular joint. The head, neck, and airway will be dissected to demonstrate the relationship of structures to orofacial pain conditions including TMDs and Sleep Breathing Disorders. Participants will work in two-member teams, each dissecting one-half of a cadaver head.

Session 2 is Temporomandibular Disorders (TMDs); it explains how the diagnosis of temporomandibular disorders may be extremely challenging due to the complexity of sensory innervation of the head and neck, the frequency of referred pain in the region, and the uniqueness of each individual's pain experience. This session presents general principles of examination, differential diagnosis, and management of patients with TMD. The second day will include a lecture and a clinical examination exercise with a student/partner.

Session 3 is Dentistry’s Role in the Diagnosis & Management of Sleep Disorders; it begins with day one focusing on lectures in the morning that present the medical perspective and lectures in the afternoon presenting the dental perspective on Sleep Disordered Breathing. Day two in the morning will consist of lectures focusing on the relationship of sleep to TMDs and sleep bruxism and the afternoon will consist of a clinical session on oral appliance therapy.

Session 4 is The Many Faces of Orofacial Pain: Beyond TMD; it focuses on the advanced diagnosis and management of orofacial pain, current theory and diagnostic aids used in the differential diagnosis of craniofacial pain, and how differential diagnosis is an extremely challenging aspect of dental practice. This session also discusses cranial nerve pathology, vascular pain, otalgia, salivary gland pathofunction, neuropathic pain, headaches, burning mouth syndrome, and movement disorders. Other objectives of this session include the diagnostic confusion that can result from the complexity of neural networks involving the cranio cervical area and discussing the number of conditions that share common symptoms with or may mimic odontogenic pain. Day one in the morning will consist of lectures and live patient case reviews in the afternoon. Day two will consist of lectures in the morning followed by live patient case reviews (videos) in the afternoon.

Session 5 is Patient Case Presentations & Review; it consists of case presentations by continuum attendees with discussion among attendees and faculty. (After session four, all attendees will receive a template to help them prepare their respective patient case presentations.) The template will enable attendees to prepare their cases in a uniform manner for continuity of presentation. For both days, all attendees will separate into small groups with each attendee taking a turn to present his/her own case. Attendees will participate in a Q&A session, and each of the faculty members will engage all the group members in a lively round table discussion while providing feedback based upon evidence based principles.
Registration Form

If you are in need of ADA or special dietary arrangements, please attach a written description of your needs to this registration form, or send an e-mail to kguich@lsuhsc.edu, or call 504-941-8193 by May 9, 2014.

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- Registration deadline: May 9, 2014
- Deposit of 10% of the tuition fee due at registration. Remaining balance due no later than May 30, 2014.

Use this form to register by mail or by FAX. Please print clearly. Please feel free to copy this Registration Form if 2 or more attendees are registering together at the same time.

Attendee:

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