Dentists and other dental professionals are cordially invited to participate in the Pain Management and Substance Use Disorders Dental ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) program, funded by the SAMHSA State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis grant program. ECHO is a tele-mentoring program that uses videoconferencing technology to combine brief expert presentations with interactive and practical case presentations from participants. The overall goal of ECHO programming is to build new capacity for care at the community level.

The purpose of this 7-session program is to build the capacity of dentists and their teams to identify and manage patients with oral pain or substance use disorders in the dental setting. Topics may include:

- Patient’s Perceptions of Dental Pain and the Need for Opioids
- Identifying Patients with Substance Use Disorder
  - The PDMP: What Is It and How Does It Work?
  - Screening Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment
- Pharmacological and Non-pharmacological Alternatives to Opioids
- Dental Pain Management of Patients on Medication Assisted Treatment
- Difficult conversations with patients

Benefits of participation include:

- No cost to you or your facility
- No cost to you for continuing dental education (CDE) credits*
- The opportunity to present your tough cases and receive feedback from a multidisciplinary team including general dentists, dental specialists, an addiction medicine physician, an emergency room physician, a social worker, a pharmacist, and your peers
- Share and learn with other dental professionals and a multidisciplinary team of specialists on how to:
  - Effectively and safely manage oral pain using evidence-based practices
  - Identify and manage patients who have substance use disorder

Sessions for this cohort will occur via a virtual meeting space on the second and third Wednesdays of each month, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. September 14 – December 14, 2022.

We will select community-based dentists, other oral health professionals, OHSU School of Dentistry faculty, OHSU dental preceptors, OHSU School of Dentistry residents, and other relevant health care professionals to participate based on their interest in the program, geographic distribution, and ability to commit to attend the sessions. Community-based dentists and OHSU dental preceptors are encouraged to invite one other staff member such as a behavioral health specialist, dental hygienist, dental assistant, or practice manager to participate in the sessions with them.

For questions, please contact Dr. Richie Kohli, BDS, MS (Faculty Lead, Dental ECHO Program) at kohli@ohsu.edu.

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