

Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office

1 Hour CDE Credit

Clinical Excellence Series 2024: Presented by Zufall Health and Delta Dental



MEET THE SPEAKER

Porchia James, DDS, is a dentist practicing the full scope of oral and maxillofacial surgery for children, teens, and adults. Prior to founding her private practice in Frisco, TX, in 2018, she was a general dentist in the U.S. Air Force for four years. She holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Xavier University of Louisiana and earned her doctor of dental surgery degree from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN. She also completed her dental residency at Meharry, where she was chief resident of oral and maxillofacial surgery. Outside of dentistry, James is active in her community and enjoys public speaking and volunteering in underserved areas.

OVERVIEW

This course provides dental professionals with comprehensive training in recognizing, managing, and preventing medical emergencies that may arise in the dental office setting. Participants will learn how to effectively respond to various emergencies, including but not limited to allergic reactions, syncope, myocardial infarction, and respiratory distress. Emphasis will be placed on early detection, appropriate intervention, and communication strategies to ensure patient safety and optimal outcomes. Additionally, participants will gain an understanding of risk assessment, emergency preparedness protocols, and the importance of maintaining emergency equipment and medications. By the end of the course, attendees will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to confidently handle medical emergencies in the dental office, promoting a safe and secure environment for patients and staff alike.

OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

1. Provide an overview of medical emergencies in the dental office
2. Describe risk factors and prevention strategies
3. Recognize and manage common emergencies including allergic reactions, syncope, myocardial infarction (heart attack), respiratory distress, hypoglycemia, seizures, anaphylaxis, and stroke
4. Master key concepts related to emergency medications and equipment, basic life support (BLS) and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) techniques, communication and documentation during emergencies, and team coordination and roles



Wednesday, March 13, 2024



6:00 - 7:00 PM EDT (one hour)

- 6:00 - 6:05: Introduction
- 6:05 - 7:00: Educational Content



Zoom Events (Registration required and space is limited)



Free; dental credits offered

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