

TOM VIOLA



BIO: Thomas Viola, the founder of “Pharmacology Declassified”, is a board-certified pharmacist who also serves the professions of dentistry as a clinical educator, professional speaker and published author. Tom is a member of the faculty of ten dental professional degree programs and has received several awards for outstanding teacher of the year. Tom has presented hundreds of continuing education courses to dental professionals, nationally and internationally, in the areas of oral pharmacology and local anesthesia and is well-known for his regular contributions to several dental professional journals. Through his informative, humorous and engaging live seminars and webinars, Tom has earned his reputation as the go-to specialist for making pharmacology practical and useful for all members of the dental team.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

“HURTS SO GOOD”: Management of acute dental pain is accomplished through a clinical approach that successfully incorporates opioid and non-opioid analgesics. However, this normally occurs outside the dental office, away from our immediate supervision and we are often faced with the difficult task of managing patient pain while also avoiding adverse outcomes for both our patient and our communities. Thus, it is critical for clinicians to accurately identify the need for pain control, individualize patient care, identify associated risks, and assess the efficacy of the local anesthetic and analgesic agents to be administered. This program will provide an overview of the effective management of acute dental pain. Using case scenarios, special emphasis will be given to appropriate prescribing practices for analgesics. **(FRIDAY MORNING CE SESSION #1)**

“PHANTOM OF THE OPERATORY”: The challenge faced by all clinicians today is to provide safe and effective dental treatment to our medically complex patients. Thus, as dental professionals, we must be equally aware of the medical considerations of agents commonly used in the practice of dentistry as well as the dental considerations of the medications frequently prescribed for the treatment of multiple systemic diseases. This program will present an overview of the basic principles of pharmacology in a format which makes it applicable, practical and useful for all members of the dental team. Using case scenarios, special emphasis will be given to drugs administered or prescribed in dental practice, as well as to medications whose actions, effects, or interactions with other drugs may impact dental therapy. **(FRIDAY AFTERNOON CE SESSION #1)**

TESTIMONY ABOUT TOM VIOLA:

“This is by far the BEST presentation I’ve been to in 30 years of practice! I didn’t want it to end! Really!!!” R.L., Hinman Dental Meeting

“Thank you for making me laugh AND learn! Only you could make pharmacology THIS enjoyable and useful!” D.H., Greater New York Dental Meeting

“So much practical information! So many, many laughs! You held my attention every second! I’m blown away!” M.B., Yankee Dental Congress

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