

## DIANNE GLASSCOE WATTERSON



**BIO:** Dianne Glasscoe Watterson has had more than three hundred articles published in *Dental Economics*, *Dental Practice Report*, *Dentistry Today*, *Dental Graduate*, *Dental Equipment and Materials*, *Insurance Solutions*, *Woman Dentist Journal*, and *RDH*, as well as several chapters for a national dental hygiene periodontal textbook entitled *Foundations of Periodontics for the Dental Hygienist*. She is well-known for her monthly column in *RDH*, entitled "Staff Rx," which addresses **practice management** problems faced by hygienists across the country. In addition, she authors a bimonthly column called "Practice Wisdom" for *Dental Economics* magazine that is devoted to practice management. Dianne is the author of *Manage Your Practice Well*, a comprehensive **practice management** text for dentists and office administrators and *The Consummate Dental Hygienist*, which is devoted to solving workplace issues for dental hygienists.

In 2005, Dianne was honored as a "Distinguished Dental Professional" by Dentsply. She has been named by *Dentistry Today* magazine as one of the "Top Clinicians in CE and Consulting" every year since 2006. In 2009 and 2010, Dianne was chosen to serve on the Colgate Oral Health Advisory Board as a "Key Opinion Leader."

### **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:**

**"PREVENTION VS PROSECUTION":** The practice of dentistry and dental hygiene involves adhering to strict standards of care. This course examines the best methods for producing desirable results to avoid injury. Clinical standards are reflected in various case histories. **(SATURDAY MORNING CE SESSION #1)**

**"EMERGING CONCEPTS IN PERIODONTITIS & OVERALL HEALTH: SEPARATING FACT FROM FICTION":** For many years, medical and dental clinicians have treated the oral cavity as if it is a separate entity from the rest of the body. However, oral health is part of systemic health. Inflammation and infections in the oral cavity are not confined to the mouth and can affect other areas of the human body. A growing body of evidence points to a wide array of systemic disturbances that are associated with periodontitis. Some associations are controversial. How strong is the evidence? What can we believe? This course examines the evidence associated with the effects of periodontitis on non-oral distant sites and disease processes. We also examine various systemic diseases and medications that have a direct impact on oral health, as well as the role of diet in disease progression. **(SATURDAY AFTERNOON CE SESSION #1)**

### **TESTIMONY ABOUT DIANNE GLASSCOE WATTERSON:**

"The information you presented was not only cutting edge but also "every day" useful. The handout you prepared was extensive, easy to read, and professional. Your presentation style was relaxed, pleasant, humble, and your accent was easy to listen to and so attractive.

"I came away from the seminar energized and ready to re-think why I'm a hygienist and how I can relate to my patients in a more approachable, caring sort of way. You are right that our patients (and our co-workers and jobs) are blessings!

"You are truly an inspiration to all hygienists and I'm grateful that you've chosen to share your wonderful gifts with us!

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