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Ceramics 2018: Concepts and techniques

Ceramic restorations have become more popular in recent years given the growing esthetic demands of patients and a more holistic view of a 'metal-free' mouth. This presentation will focus on ceramics in private practice to give the clinician a better understanding of the selection, fabrication techniques, and anticipated performance of these materials.

Course Goals:

Recognize the various types of commercially available dental ceramics.

Compare and contrast the physical properties as they relate to indications for use.

Appreciate how these differences translate into important consequences that can impact treatment planning and clinical practice.

Biography

Leora Walter received her prosthodontic degree from New York Hospital Queens. She completed her general practice residency at Long Island College Hospital, Lutheran Medical Center and graduated from Columbia University College of Dental Medicine with numerous honors including a National Institutes of Health Fogarty International Clinical Research Scholarship, International Center for AIDS Care and Treatment Program Scholarship, Quintessence Award for Research Achievement, and the American Academy of Implant Dentistry Award. She received her bachelor of arts degree in English from Brandeis University in Waltham, MA. She has lectured at a variety of study groups on topics relating to fixed and removable prostheses. Her current area of research is on zygomatic implants and treatment of the worn dentition. She received a scholarship through the International Center for AIDS Care and Treatment Programs where she traveled to Ethiopia teaching clinicians how to recognize oral manifestations of HIV. She has published her findings in both medical and dental journals.

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