DENTAL HYGIENE VIRTUAL PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSE

Infection Control: How to Protect Ourselves, Our Patients, & Our Families

*Presented by Ken. R. Tilashalski*

**March 19, 2021 | 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

With the current COVID-19 pandemic, the significance of infection control has been heightened and will be at the forefront of any dental practice. This course will emphasize the ways diseases are spread and how to prevent transmission of infectious pathogens. The latest recommendations from the CDC, OSHA, and the ADA will be presented. We will highlight what is COVID-19, why did this strike now, what we can do, and how might the practice of dentistry change tomorrow. The concepts covered are immediately applicable to keep our patients, ourselves, and our families safe from infectious diseases.

**Course outline:**

I. Introduction: How to prevent disease transmission
   a. Chain of infection
   b. Herd immunity
   c. Vaccinations: successes, requirements, recommendations, & concerns

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III. Standard precautions
   a. Bloodborne pathogens
   b. PPE
   c. Hand hygiene
   d. Surface disinfection

IV. COVID-19
   a. What, why, how, & symptoms
   b. How to decrease risk
   c. The impact on the future of dentistry

**Educational objectives:**

- Understand the nuances of COVID-19
- Appraise the impact of respiratory pathogens on the practice of dentistry & dental hygiene
- Describe the components of Universal and Standard Precautions
- Identify modes of disease transmission and the components of the chain of infection
- Understand the concept of herd immunity
- Apply vaccination requirements and recommendations
- Apply strategies to reduce disease transmission

**ABOUT THE SPEAKER:** Dr. Ken Tilashalski ("Dr. T") is quite unique in that he has earned specialty certificates in both oral & maxillofacial pathology and endodontics. He is Professor and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs at the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Dentistry, and also holds an appointment at the School of Medicine. After receiving his D.M.D. from Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine, Dr. Tilashalski completed both of his residencies along with an American Cancer Society fellowship at the University of Alabama. Dr. T is passionate about educating dental health care professionals. He lectures extensively nationally and internationally in the areas of oral pathology, oral medicine, and endodontics. Through his command of the material, Dr. T has gained a reputation as one of the dental school’s most popular professors. He was honored as a recipient of the UAB President’s Award for Excellence in Teaching for his dynamic, high-energy, entertaining, and interactive style.

**Registration Deadline:** March 15, 2021

**Cost:** $40 for 3-hour course

Register using the attached form, or online: westliberty.edu/dhce

Handouts (if offered) will be available for download and printing on 3/12/21 at westliberty.edu/dhce

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*CE credit will not be awarded to any individual who does not fully complete the course.*

*Registration fees are non-refundable.*
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Registration Form
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Please provide current email information to receive the link for the Zoom presentation and your certificate upon completion of the course, Also, all future continuing education brochures from the West Liberty University Dental Hygiene Program will be sent by email.

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Seminar Fee

$40 for the 3 hour course (Due no later than March 15, 2021)

You may register and make online payment by visiting the Dental Hygiene web page at westliberty.edu/dhce (complete the form which will re-direct you to the payment site).

If you are unsure your payment was accepted and/or did not receive an email confirmation of payment, please contact the Business Office at 304-336-8013. Do not enter payment information again. Or complete the above registration form and remit check (made payable to West Liberty University) along with registration form to:

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