

# Bay Area Dental Hygienists' Association

## Presents

### **We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer!**

As COVID-19 continues to impact our daily lives and ability to gather, we are offering new virtual experiences so you still have access to CE opportunities and the quality education you expect from Omega Seminars. New topics, all day events, and shorter format webinars. And I will continue to have my same **door prize drawings for Coach purses!**

***PATTI DIGANGI, RDH, BSDH, MHA***

**Friday, October 9, 2020    4 CEUs (two 2 hour CEUs)**



**Patti DiGangi, RDH, BS.** Patti believes dentistry is no longer just about fixing teeth; dentistry *is* oral medicine. As a navigator and long-time clinician, she guides audiences through the rough waters of coding. Her efforts have assisted thousands of professionals to code more accurately and efficiently. In fact, the American Dental Association recognized her expertise by inviting her to write a chapter in its *CDT 2017 Companion* book and again for *CDT 2018 Companion*. Patti holds publishing and speaking licenses with ADA for *Current Dental Terminology*©2019. Patti shares her insights and expertise through a book series called DentalCodeology—books of easily digestible stories about patients we see every day. Patti offers for continued learning and growth through her DentalCodeology Insiders group and DentalCodeology Insurance Navigator online certification program.

## **Navigating Periodontal Care @ 2018 Perio Protocols**

### **9AM – 11am 2 CEUs**

Periodontal disease starts with a biofilm-based infection that creates a wound that, in turn, induces the inflammatory cascade responsible for the disease. This wound must be taken seriously and treated at the earliest possible stages. The American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) Classification of Periodontal and Peri-Implant Diseases and Conditions 2017 defines 4 levels of periodontal health and includes staging and grading system for periodontitis as well as classification of peri-implant disease. This along with recent changes in CDT codes create the necessity for an update.

This interactive workshop introduces the 2018 Perio Protocols Flow Chart© to provide a framework to meet the individualized needs of the patient. This book as well as 2018 Perio Protocols Flow Chart © laminated and safe for our treatment rooms as a discounted cost at this course.

### **Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this course, the participant will:

- Learn and review the ADPIED dental hygiene process of care to identify the causative and influencing factors that can be reduced eliminated, or prevented
- Identify the difference between treatment case types and AAP 2018 Disease Classifications
- Determine the most accurate risk assessment, diagnosis and treatment codes
- Define the difference between D4355, D1110, D4346 and D4910
- Create simple and effective “Twitter-Style” dental-medical necessity narratives

## Flow Chart & Coding Fraud by Accident or Ignorance

11:30am – 1:30pm 2 CEUs

Most dental professionals are caring, ethical, and honest. They would never knowingly perpetrate any type of dental fraud, abuse, or scam. Patients and possibly others you work with may ask if codes can be alternated, treatment dates changed and more to increase dental benefit coverage. This is more than an ethical dilemma. We have worked too long and hard to complete our education and licensure to allow fraud and abuse to jeopardize success. Procedure codes are part of every patient encounter even if there are no dental benefits. Without knowledge of the codes and how they are being applied, there is a likelihood of fraud being committed.

**Learning Objectives** Upon completion of this course, the participant should be able to:

- Protect against fraud being committed even by accident
- Guard against misuse of the game changing D4346 gingival inflammation code
- Grasp the reasons why carriers can remap (down-code) but dental practices cannot
- Identify how dental professionals need to create simple and effective “Twitter- Style” dental-medical necessity narratives



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