THE FUNCTION JUNCTION:
COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT, TREATMENT &
EVALUATION OF OROFACIAL MYOFUNCTIONAL
DISORDERS & TMD TRAINING WORKSHOP

FEBRUARY 19 – 24, 2010
48 HOURS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS
PORT ORANGE • FLORIDA

Course Instructor: Kimberly K. Benkert, RDH, BSDH, MPH, COM (lead instructor)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This comprehensive and intensive training course prepares participants in the assessment, examination, diagnosis, treatment and evaluation processes of treating orofacial myofunctional disorders and the neuromuscular, bio-adaptive aspects of functional and parafunctional behaviors. Course topics include the orofacial environment, dentition, periodontium, temporomandibular joint and musculature, along with their inter-relationship to total health and well-being. The course focus includes instruction on both the clinical protocols and techniques utilized in treating orofacial myofunctional disorders, establishing correct functional patterns and eliminating parafunctional behaviors. Interactive course sessions provide enhanced opportunities for learning through a variety of teaching methods. The impact of function on the bio-adaptability of the orofacial environment, TMJ region, and overall body musculature is included through hands-on learning sessions. The course includes reviewing the neuro-anatomy and physiologic processes contributing to orofacial muscular dysfunction and their affect on systemic health. Interdisciplinary approaches to maintaining periodontal health, eliminating abfraction potential, eliminating parafunctional habits, interceptive muscular along with growth and development facilitation issues are discussed along with digit sucking elimination and functional speech movement patterning issues. This International Association of Orofacial Myology (IAOM), Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) and American Speech Hearing-Language Association (ASHA) approved course exceeds the Level I course content prerequisites necessary to apply for the Certified Orofacial Myologist (COM) examination process administered by the IAOM.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

As a result of this learning activity the participant will be able to:

• Discuss the process to become Certified in Orofacial Myology and the IAOM Code of Ethics
• Review history of interdisciplinary treatment of orofacial myofunctional disorders (OMD), parafunctional habit elimination and functional speech patterns, and muscular temporomandibular joint dysfunction (TMD)
• Define orofacial myology, OMD, functional dysphagia, muscular TMD, and other related terms
• Review anatomical & neuro-physiologic orofacial development and functional patterning
• Assess airway issue interferences, orthodontic interventions & relationships to OMD treatment
• Discuss dental occlusion classifications, frenum assessment & frenectomy, & appliance therapies
• Analyze etiologies & contributing factors involved in OMD, muscular TMD and functional speech disturbances
• Assess structural versus environmental etiologies in OMD & muscular TMD
• Comprehend the assessment, examination, diagnosis, treatment planning, therapeutic implementation and evaluation processes for treating OMD, parafunctional habit elimination & muscular TMD
• Reproduce therapeutic exercises for orofacial myofunctional and oromotor therapeutic interventions involved with measuring and treating orofacial rest postures; establishing a dental freeway space; mastication, bolus formation, saliva/food transfers and deglutition patterns; Range of Motion (ROM) deviations; digit sucking and parafunctional habit elimination of clenching, bruxism, and muscle bracing; implementation of an auto-suggestive habituation program; and differentiation of functional tongue placement patterning for speech
• Formulate an orofacial myofunctional diagnosis
• Develop a treatment plan & implementation of a therapeutic program based on subjective & objective data
• Comprehend principles & techniques to implement an effective non-nutritive digit sucking elimination program

Return completed forms:
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• Analyze myofascial release therapies as adjunctive options for treating muscular TMD and facial pain
• Understand oral and behavioral principles & techniques for eliminating bruxism/clenching & ROM deviations
• Relate practice management strategies to practice building and promotion of an OMD practice
• Analyze the insurance coding & nomenclature process for submission of OMD claims
• Evaluate data collection forms, calibration of measurement taking and DentalWriter software

This comprehensive intensive training experience provides didactic and clinical knowledge regarding assessment, examination, implementation of therapeutic techniques, and evaluation skills applicable to licensed practitioners particularly in the professional areas of dental hygiene/dentistry, orofacial myology, orthodontics, otolaryngology, pediatrics, periodontics, and speech therapy. Course size is limited.

COURSE ENROLLMENT FORM:

Enrollment Form: This is a formatted WORD document. Type directly into the shaded areas indicated. E-mail, mail or fax the completed form to MYO USA, Inc. The return information is provided in the footer below. (Faxed forms accepted until Friday, February 12, 2010). Keep a copy of this registration for your records.

Contact Information (Please type name exactly as it should appear on course certificate):
Name/Credentials: (RDH, BSDH, DDS, SLP, COM, FAADH etc)

Address: ____
City, State, Zip: ____
Phone: ____
Email: ____
State/License Number: _____
Professional area:   □ Dental Hygiene     □ Dentistry (List specialty area): _____
                   □ Orofacial Myology   □ Speech Pathology     □ Other (List): _____

Tuition:   □ $2,700.00   Deposit: $700.00 required; no refund of deposit available after 2/5/10. Balance due on or before 1st day of course. Tuition includes all course sessions, materials & continuing education credits. ****(ADHA member, “It’s Academic” Alumni, and IAOM Certified member discount: $300.00 off full tuition with current proof of membership provided at time of course registration, only one membership discount available per person)****

Payment Information:
□ Check Enclosed made payable to MYO USA, Inc.
□ Visa □ MasterCard □ Discover Card
Name on Card: ____
Card Number: ____
Expiration Date and CVV Code (3 digit code on back of card): ____
Course Schedule:
Friday, February 19 • 8:30am – 12:30 and 1:30 – 6:00pm
Saturday, February 20 • 8:30am – 12:30 and 1:30 – 6:00pm PM Networking Reception
Sunday, February 21 • 8:30am – 12:30 and 1:30 – 6:00pm
Monday, February 22 • 8:30am – 12:30 and 1:30 – 6:00pm
Tuesday, February 23 • 8:30am – 12:30 and 1:30 – 6:00pm
Wednesday, February 24 • 8:30am – 12:30 and 1:30 – 6:00pm
Lunch & dinner are on your own. Morning continental breakfast/afternoon beverages provided.

Hotel: There are several hotels in the area. We recommend you contact:
LaQuinta Inn & Suites: 1791 Dunlawton, Port Orange, FL 32129
Ph: 386-756-3440 or www.laquinta.com

The room rate of $79.00 is available per night for a single/Double ($71.10 for AAA). The hotel maintains a 24 cancellation policy for individual guest room reservations.

Airports: Daytona International Airport is the closest. Sanford Orlando International airport is approximately a 90 minute drive from Port Orange. If flying into Orlando you will need to rent a car or contact: www.doshuttle.com or call 866-947-9947 for the Daytona-Orlando Shuttle. The shuttle is approximately $55.00-$75.00 for round trip between the Orlando airport and the LaQuinta Hotel in Port Orange.

Please let us know:  □ I am seeking a roommate. Please share my name and contact info.
□ I will be staying at the hotel  □ I am not staying at the hotel
□ I will be flying into Orlando  □ I will be flying into Daytona

Attire: Business casual/casual for sessions. Conference room may be chilly.

Questions:
Please contact: MYO USA, Inc.
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Upcoming Course Locations/Dates: IA: March 13; NV: April 18; IL: April 20-May 3; AZ: May TBD; NY: June 4, June 6; IL Aug 13-16

Level I, Level II and Level III Courses & Internships may be arranged for a 1:1 training experience:
Dates and scheduling arranged through MYO USA, Inc. (see contact information above)