

AMEN 2023 Annual Conference

Theme: In His Presence

Surrender – Healing - Power

Seminar Titles and Objectives

Overall Objectives:

At the end of the conference, the learner will be able to:

1. Identify the need for spending personal time with the Creator to allow for greater ability to surrender to His healing power in treating patients.
2. Discuss the need for Spiritual Care (SC) in the clinical setting and develop practical and effective ways to implement SC on a daily basis.
3. Discuss how being involved in ministry improves job satisfaction, increases resiliency, and reduces burnout in physicians leading to a better quality of life for both the provider and their patients.
4. Implement whole person care by sharing principles of living "In His Presence" including the Adventist health message and most importantly, introducing patients to Jesus Christ as the source of true healing and inner peace.

Thursday & Friday October 26 & 27, 2023

Plenary Sessions

Thursday 10/26/23 - 8:00 – 9:00pm

Plenary Session #1 = 1 CDE

John Shin, MD

Title: *A Higher Calling*

Objectives:

1. Identify elements that frequently lead to burnout in the practice of healthcare (specifically medicine and dentistry).
2. Illustrate the importance of a personal relationship with God in giving meaning and purpose to a medical/dental career.
3. Compare and contrast the experience of working as a healthcare professional with and without a sense of calling.

Friday 10/27/23 - 9:40 – 10:40am

Plenary Session #2 = 1 CDE

John Scharffenberg, MD

Title: *Supernatural Health Coaching*

Objectives:

1. Briefly identify major lifestyle changes that could reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease by 80% and diabetes by 88%.
2. Illustrate the health advantages of a plant-based, whole food diet.
3. Discuss the role of SDA healthcare professionals in educating our colleagues in the importance and scientific merit of nutrition in disease prevention.
4. Discuss why we, as SDA health professionals, should use health in our outreach programs and provide practical tips for how to do this.
5. Inspire and challenge attendees through personal examples of how God has worked in my life.

Friday 10/27/23 - 11:00am – 12:00pm

Plenary Session #3 = 1 CDE

Scott Nelson, MD

Title: *In the Presence of the Poor: Adventist Medical Evangelism Where Resources are Limited*

Objectives:

1. Identify how navigating a path into the presence of Christ and experiencing His fullness of joy improves healthcare professionals' effectiveness.
2. Analyze the problem of global poverty and suffering in the world.
3. Engage in a global perspective to encourage meaning and purpose in personal and professional pursuits.
4. Evaluate perspectives on risk to proclaim the kingdom of God and heal the sick.
5. Identify reasons for medical outreach that inspire effective local and global medical outreach in the presence of Christ.
6. Illustrate sustainable high-quality healthcare for the poor at Adventist mission hospitals.

Friday 10/27/23

Breakout Session A: 2:00 – 3:00pm

1 CDE

Daniel Morgan, DDS

Title: *P²: Positive impact through early Prevention*

Objectives:

1. Discuss dental methods utilized to bring long-term oral health to pediatric patients and how to build trusting relationships with your patients and their families.
2. Discuss practical ways to operate a successful dental practice and how the Lord encourages and grows us through failure and/or success.
3. Demonstrate how a strong faith in Jesus has impacted the speaker's life, dental practice, and vision for the future.
4. Challenge dentists and other healthcare providers to grow their impact in their communities and improve patients' quality of life by implementing witnessing methods in their office.

Breakout Session B: 3:10 – 4:10pm

1 CDE

Amber McKeever Shironishi, DDS

Title: *Remaining In His Presence Through the Storm.*

Objectives:

At the end of the presentation, the learner will be able to:

1. Discuss the intricacies of practicing dentistry overseas as a missionary from both a professional and personal perspective.
2. Analyze ways to overcome physical and emotional challenges that come with a career in dentistry and how applying practical ways to be 'In His Presence' in the workplace leads to receiving the fullness of joy in place of fear and anxiety.
3. Implement ways to gently and effectively bring whole-person care to your patients as a busy dentist.
4. Discuss how to effectively create a space in your dental practice that welcomes spiritual and relational growth both inside and outside the office.

Breakout Session C: 4:20 – 5:20pm

These two sessions happen concurrently so attendees would select one = 1 CDE

Jed de la Paz, DDS

Title: *From Clinics to the Cross: Learn how to develop health clinics that transform lives and churches*

Objectives:

At the end of the presentation, the learner will be able to:

1. Identify the key planning steps in preparing a successful community health clinic and discuss how collaboration between pastors and medical professionals is essential to organizing free clinics that make disciples.
2. Recognize effective ways to incorporate holistic health services to patients in community health clinics.
3. Illustrate how free health clinics help our churches grow younger and identify ways to lead patients, volunteers, and employees to baptism.
4. Apply principles that transform churches to become more missional and magnetic.

Jeremiah Holt, DDS

Title: *Three Practical Keys to Provide Whole Person Care*

Objectives:

1. Identify practical steps that lead to spiritual wellness for you as the provider and examine the effects this has on patient outcomes and whole person care.
2. Discuss the importance of staff morale in the dental practice and why your staff should be your first ministry.
3. Identify practical principles to develop a team culture that successfully implements whole person care, medical evangelism, and positive patient outcomes.
4. Discuss effective ways to witness to patients and implement whole person care in a dental or medical office.