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# GREATER PHILADELPHIA VALLEY FORGE DENTAL CONFERENCE

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registrations

04.05.24

**FRIDAY** APR 5 VALLEY FORGE CASINO RESORT 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM LUNCH & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST INCLUDED

## THE ART OF DENTAL THERAPEUTICS

Better Medicine, Better Dentistry

If the term "relevant and useful pharmacology" sounds like a program you would like to avoid – think again! Providing dental care to anxious, fearful and medicallycomplex patients continues to be a major challenge facing oral healthcare providers. Now more than ever, dental professionals are faced with the additional challenges of treating these patients' oral health needs in the face of polypharmacology, drug interactions, potential illicit drug use and multiple chronic conditions. Imagine if all of this could be made much easier by just going back to the basics.

Have you ever had to face the prospect of treating a medically-complex patient? Have you ever had a patient needing treatment for a dental emergency who has more than one underlying chronic disease? What about your patients of record who are

#### **SCHEDULE**

Clinically-Useful Pharmacology » 8:30 AM

Cannabinoids, Illicit Drugs and the Dental Patient » 10:15 AM

Money Makes the World Go Round, But Drugs Can Make it Spin! » 1:00 PM

Pharmaceuticals & Nutraceuticals-What do I Really Have to Know? » 2:30 PM

Wrap Up » 4:15 PM

#### DR. MARK DONALDSON

Associate Principal of Clinical Pharmacy for Vizient's Advisory Solutions



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Dr. Donaldson has spent the last 25 years focusing on dental pharmacology and dental therapeutics, and is a leader in the field.

on more than five medications? Now what if these same patients are also experimenting with cannabinoids or illicit drugs? How does the use of marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamine, crack, Salvia divinorum, khat bush, or designer drugs such as MDPV change your treatment plan?

This course will review the pharmacology and current state of medicinal marijuana as it relates to oral health care.

A survey of patients with heart disease, diabetes, psychiatric disorders, and/or hypertension found that 79% were taking supplements concurrently with prescription medications. Among those with cardiac disease, 20% reported regular use of herbals. If this raises your blood pressure, then you need to take this course.

This interactive program is designed for dentists, hygienists and dental assistants, case studies will augment the delivery of key points and a problem-based learning approach is encouraged so that each participant's questions are addressed.

### Register at www.gpvfdc.org

\*Event free to members of Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lehigh, Montgomery and Northhampton County Dental Societies.