Program Speaker – Dr. Wadhwani

Title
Implant success & failure: Where the truth lies

Abstract
We have been led to believe that implants have extra-ordinary success rates with percentages well into the upper nineties, but recent data may indicate these percentages are unrealistic. A multitude of factors including how to monitor implant health, what constitutes disease, and which clinical and experimental tests and tools to use has led to a diversity of opinions regarding implant success. This lecture will explore some of these issues, including a look into how we should standardize tests for monitoring implant health, a discussion on new risk factors related to the mechanics of recently developed implant systems and what issues they present, and the risk of biological issues that are just now emerging as a result of implant component selection. New research conducted by Dr. Wadhwani and graduate students from UW, LLU, OHSU, and UTHSC will also be discussed.

Learning Objectives
1. Instrument selection related to testing of peri-implant health
2. Inappropriate component selection and subsequent biological consequences
3. Modern implant abutment design and potential issues
4. Latest industry advances designed to promote soft tissue health—is this the future?

Biography
CHANDUR WADHWANI
Dr Chandur Wadhwani received his BDS with honors and distinction from University College London School of Dentistry and his master’s degree and certificate in prosthodontics from the University of Washington. Dr. Wadhwani maintains a full-time private practice limited to prosthodontics in Bellevue Washington. His passion is evaluating common, daily clinical practices and evaluating how they may positively or negatively affect treatment outcome, especially as they relate to dental implants. His goal is to provide science based protocols to improve both patient and clinician experience in the field of dental implantology. Dr. Wadhwani holds affiliate assistant/associate professorships in both prosthodontics (UW, LLU) and periodontics (OHSU) and has worked with graduate students from multiple additional universities. He has authored over 50 peer reviewed articles, has chapters in multiple books, and in 2018 was awarded the American College of Prosthodontics Distinguished Lecturer Award.