

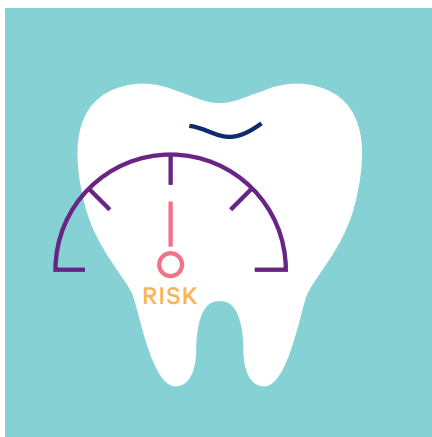
An Introduction to the **DENTAL CARIES MANAGEMENT VIRTUAL PRACTICUM**



WHAT IS DENTAL CARIES MANAGEMENT?

Dental Caries Management (DCM) is a care approach in which patients have a central role in their own health and health care. It emphasizes patient self-management to treat the underlying disease processes that result in caries lesions. The dental practitioner and care team assume a reciprocal role in coaching patients to make changes in dietary and oral hygiene practice, and to track their patients' oral health status. DCM is a complementary adjunct to restorative treatment. The goal of DCM is to reduce new and recurrent caries disease and to utilize cost-effective minimally invasive techniques when appropriate.

WHY IMPLEMENT DISEASE MANAGEMENT?



Practice risk-based care with a focus on non-invasive dentistry



Achieve better patient outcomes



Prepare your practice for a new era in insurance policy and payment reform

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WHAT IS THE DISEASE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK (LEARN, ACT, TRACK, BRING BACK)?

The Disease Management Framework provides a structure to our approach to Dental Caries Management. The DM Framework is a series of steps, that when incorporated together in clinical practice, can lead to a caries reduction in child and adolescent patients.



Our approach to dental caries management is designed to be a self-guided online course in dental caries management.

GETTING STARTED WITH THE DCM VIRTUAL PRACTICUM

The DCM Virtual Practicum was created to support the efforts of dental practices that are implementing a caries disease management program. There are several ways to begin your disease management journey:

CLINICIAN'S COMPANION

For a deeper dive into dental caries management users should turn to the **Clinician's Companion to Dental Caries Management**, an in-depth guide that provides the rationale for caries disease prevention and management, created by providers and clinics who have implemented disease management in to their practices.

WEBINARS

Visual and/or auditory learners can access the **DCM Webinar Series** which covers key aspects of dental caries management. These webinars are recorded from live sessions and include a variety of presenters and Q/A from the audience. These are a great resource for groups or teams who are taking on disease management together.

RESOURCES

Additional supporting resources available include:

Faculty Publications, peer-review articles which make the case for/demonstrate the impact of disease management

Measurement Tools, a downloadable Excel file and an online tool designed to get your practice started with tracking the disease management occurring in your office.

All Practicum Resources, a searchable library of resources, tools, presentations and videos developed by providers/practices while implementing disease management.