Title: Pterygoid Implants for Rehabilitation of the Atrophic Maxilla and Maxillectomy Defects: Hands On Surgical and Prosthetic Techniques

Course description:

Atrophic posterior maxilla, sinus pneumatization and maxillectomy defects are challenging factors in the rehabilitation of edentulous maxillae. Pterygoid implants provide a graftless approach to maximizing anteroposterior spread of implants and avoiding distal cantilevers. Successful pterygoid implant-based rehabilitation involves technique sensitive surgical protocols and requires a thorough understanding of the pterygomaxillary anatomy. This course will provide an overview of the advantages, anatomic considerations, and surgical and prosthetic treatment planning for placement of pterygoid implants. Attendees will be guided through two step by step hands-on surgical techniques for a deep conical internal connection and an angle corrected external hex pterygoid implant, and relevant prosthetic components.



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