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WHAT'S AHEAD: FDDS COURSE LINEUP, ECHC
UPDATE AND SO MUCH MORE!



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President's Message



Greetings First District Dental Society Members,
It is a privilege to serve as your president and to continue building on the tradition of excellence established by those who came before us. Our society thrives because of the dedication, professionalism, and camaraderie that each of bring, and I am grateful for the opportunity to work alongside such an outstanding group of colleagues.

Looking back, I am proud of the energy and insight our members, sponsors, and speakers brought to the first three meetings. Thanks to Jay Dziwlik and his always entertaining approach to dental ethics, Dr. Ashley Clark for her vast knowledge of oral pathology, and the Mobile Dental Bus, Evansville Christian Life Center, and Donated Dental Services for giving us exciting information on charitable partnerships that are available.

As we look ahead, we have an exciting calendar of continuing education designed to support you in your professional growth and patient care. Upcoming sessions will feature presentations on OSHA with Kay Maddox and Advanced Adhesion Techniques with Dr. Jose Luis-Ruiz (7 credit hours, do not miss it!). Each of these events reflects our shared commitment of learning, improving, and giving back to the communities we serve.

We would like to continue to encourage you to view your involvement as more than participation in meetings. Mentorship, collaboration, and sharing your expertise with the next generation of dental professionals are essential to keeping our society vibrant and strong. By investing in each other, we ensure that the First District continues to be a place where innovation, service, and professionalism flourish.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and working together to advance our professional and our community.

With appreciation,

Dr. Luke Keusch

President, First District Dental Society

FIRST DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY

UPCOMING EVENTS

2026

Save the Date



January 16, 2026

OSHA (2 CE Credits)

Presented by: Kay Maddox



February 6, 2026

“Applying Advance Adhesion Knowledge” (7 CE Credits)

Presented by: Dr. Jose-Luis Ruiz

Early sign up discount & Group discount available!



March 6, 2026

Dr. Juan Yepes

Update in Dental Traumatology: Where are we in 2026

3 CE credits



April 10, 2026

Dentoalveolar Trauma & Prevention

Treatment of Procedural Accidents in Endodontics

4 CE Credits

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

FEATURING KAY MADDUX, RN

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2026

THE EVANSVILLE COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM

2 CE HOURS / 8:30-10:30 AM / CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 8:00 AM

BREAKFAST BUFFET WILL BE SERVED

2 CEs for
Licensing Requirement



Course Description & Objectives

This presentation will guide dental health teams through OSHA's Bloodborne Pathogens Standards, Hazardous Chemical Standards and Infection Control. Participants will understand how to use SDS documents, how to create a Worksite Hazard Assessment List and how to manage BBP exposures.

Participants will be able to:

- Review of Universal Precautions and PPE
- Manage Necessary Documents & Recordkeeping
- Implementing a Respiratory Protection Program
- Show Evidence of Safe Disposal Practices

About the Speaker

Kay Maddux is a graduate of Indiana University School of Nursing with 50 years of experience in nursing and adult education. She has lectured to dental organizations and IDA Component Societies on OSHA Compliance and Infection Control for more than thirty-five years. She has also presented at the IDA's annual Midwest Dental Assembly Conference.

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Registration Form for Occupational Health & Safety Administration (OSHA) (2 CEs to meet licensing requirement)

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Staff Name(s):	<input type="text"/>
Address:	<input type="text"/>
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Registration for OSHA (includes breakfast & event)

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hours of meeting time.**

FDDS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: DR. JAMIE GREENWELL



- **Name:** Jamie Greenwell
- **Practice Location:** Huntingburg, Indiana
- **Hometown:** Cleveland, Ohio
- **Where did you attend undergrad:** Case Western Reserve University
- **Where did you attend dental school/specialty:** University of Kentucky
- **What year did you graduate:** 2016
- **If you weren't a dentist, what would you be doing?** Owning a farm
- **If you were scheduled to be executed tomorrow, what would you eat for your last meal?** Sushi
- **What is your favorite vacation spot?** Gatlinburg, Tennessee
- **What are your hobbies?** Riding horses, hiking
- **Do you have a spouse or significant other?** My husband and I have been married for 10 years
- **Do you have children or pets?** We have 2 dogs and 3 cats

A Special Thanks



Thank you to Henry Schein, Harding and Shymanski, and Old National Bank for sponsoring our Fall CE Course!

APPLYING ADVANCE ADHESION KNOWLEDGE

Featuring: Dr. Jose-Luis Ruiz

Friday, February 6, 2026

The Evansville Country Club- Ballroom

7 CE HOURS / 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 7:30

7 Credit Hours!



Applying Advance Adhesion Knowledge to Achieve Esthetic and Predictable Direct Anterior and Posterior Composites Restorations, including Rehabilitation

The goal of a responsible clinician is to provide his or her patients with functional, long lasting, and esthetically pleasing anterior and posterior restorations, in the most conservative and bio-compatible fashion; direct composites can be technique sensitive, difficult, time consuming and often financially unrewarding procedures; this may, in large part, be due to the incorrect use of new materials. Some of the new material require a completely new approach, if we are going to be successful with them. Dr. Ruiz presents a completely new, scientifically based, approach to tooth preparation and restoration of the most widely performed procedures in dentistry direct composites, using supra-gingival principles.

Dr. Ruiz will review the latest knowledge in advance adhesion, techniques, materials, and will review the principles necessary to perform exquisite, predictable and simple, direct anterior and posterior composite restorations, including rehabilitation with direct composite.

Learning Objective

- Describe new preparation techniques which maximize success and minimize complications, using supra-gingival principles
- Describe a predictable and simple technique for placing composite, with ideal marginal seal, managing the effects of polymerization shrinkage
- Identify the different composite resins and bonding systems by category and describe when and how to use them.
- Identify the principle of form, texture, color and the use of stains to perform beautiful composite restorations.
- Fully understand adhesives (bonding systems) and how to be successful with them.
- Describe the different matrix, wedge, and ring system and when to use them.
- Identify the principle of smile design necessary to perform beautiful composite veneers and much more...

About the Speaker

Dr. Ruiz is founder of the "Supra-gingival Minimally Invasive Dentistry" movement, as well as founder and director of the **Los Angeles Institute of Clinical Dentistry**. Former Course Director of numerous CE Courses at the University of Southern California (**USC**). He is an Honorary Clinical Professor at **Warrick University in England** and a member of the editorial board for *Dentistry Today*. He is also an Associate Instructor at Dr. Gordan **Christensen PCC** in Utah & an independent evaluator of dental products for **CR (CRA)**. **Dr. Ruiz has been named as one of the "Leaders in CE 2006-Present" by Dentistry Today.**

Dr. Ruiz is the author of the textbook "Supra-gingival Minimally Invasive Dentistry; A Healthier Approach" published by Wiley-Blackwell and edited by Dr. Ray Bertolottie and has also published **several research papers** as well as many clinical articles on adhesive dentistry, occlusion and esthetic dentistry. He regularly **lectures at all major dental meetings, nationally and internationally.**

Dr. Ruiz has been practicing in the studio district of Los Angeles for over 25 years and enjoys a clientele of many stars and entertainers. His focus os on treating complex Cosmetic, Rehabilitation, and Implant cases.

Dr. Ruiz has made numerous television appearances highlighting his Esthetic Dental makeovers, including **NBC Channel 4 News, ABC's News, Good Morning America & Vista La, VH1 and Channel 52's Telemundo and 34 Univision.**

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Registration for Adhesive Dentistry (includes event, breakfast and lunch)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | FDDS Member Staff & Young Dentists - \$229 (Group Discount 5 or more \$150 per person) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Non-Member - \$309 | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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At our most recent Dental Blitz, our clinic was filled with the steady hum of compassion in action. Volunteers including dentists, assistants, hygienists, and support staff came together with one goal: to restore health and confidence to our neighbors who needed it most. By the end of the day, 41 teeth were pulled and 18 clients received the care they had been waiting for. Each number represents a person whose life is now moving forward because of your generosity.

Because of you, our volunteers who gave your time and your expertise, our neighbors can breathe a little easier, having one less medical worry on their plate. Removing troublesome teeth does more than eliminate pain, it's one less barrier standing tall and ominous in front of them.

Our Dental Blitzes are more than a day of procedures. It's a celebration of what happens when skilled professionals volunteer to meet real and urgent needs. Dentists just like you provided care that will ripple far beyond a single appointment.

We Need Your Help: Join Us in Making More Moments Like This

Our clinic is growing, the need is increasing, and we are looking for a licensed Dental Hygienist to join our team. This role is vital to helping us expand our services and continue providing high-quality care to our neighbors who might otherwise go without. If you or someone you know has a heart for service and a passion for dentistry, we would love to talk with you.

We also continue to welcome volunteer dentists and dental professionals who want to make a direct impact.

To volunteer or inquire about our dental hygienist position:

Call us at (812) 426-6152

Or visit our volunteer portal: restoringpeople.com/volunteer/

Together, we are restoring health, restoring hope, and restoring lives, one smile at a time.

"Our Dental Blitzes are more than a day of procedures. It's a celebration of what happens when skilled professionals volunteer to meet real and urgent needs."

UPDATE IN DENTAL TRAUMATOLOGY: WHERE ARE WE IN 2026

FRIDAY, March 6, 2026

THE EVANSVILLE COUNTRY CLUB BAYROOM

3 CE HOURS / 8:30-11:30 P.M / CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 8:00 AM

Breakfast Included

Featuring:

Dr. Juan F. Yepes DDS, MD, MPH, MS, Dr. PH



Course Description & Objectives

This seminar will provide to the attendee with the most up-to-date information regarding the fascinating field of dental traumatology in the primary and permanent dentition. The seminar will use case-presentation as the learning and discussion format and will cover the entire spectrum of dental trauma and the most up-to-date protocols.

Objectives

After attending this seminar, the participant will be able to:

- Understand the classification of dental trauma
- Review the current protocols for dental trauma in the primary and permanent dentition.

About the Speaker

Juan F. Yepes DDS, MD, MPH, MS, Dr. PH is a full professor in Department of Pediatric dentistry and the associate dean for graduate education at Indiana University School of Dentistry and attending at Riley Children Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana. Juan F. is a dentist (DDS) and a physician (MD) from Javeriana University at Bogota, Colombia. In 1999, Juan F. Moved to the USA and attended the University of Iowa and the University of Pennsylvania where he completed a fellowship and residency in Radiology and Oral Medicine respectively in 2002 and 2004. In 2006, Juan F. completed a Master in Public Health. In 2008, Juan F. completed a residency program in Dental Public Health at University of Texas, Baylor College of Dentistry. Finally, Juan F. completed a residency program and a master in pediatric dentistry at the University of Kentucky in 2012.

Juan F. is board-certified by the American Boards of Pediatric Dentistry, Oral Medicine, and Dental Public Health. He is an active member of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, American Academy of Oral Medicine, American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, Indiana Dental Association, and American Dental Association. Juan F. is a fellow in dental surgery from the Royal College of Surgeons at Edinburgh. He is a member of the editorial board of Oral Surgery Oral Medicine, Oral Pathology, and Oral Radiology. Finally, Juan F. is the associate editor of the Journal of the American Dental Association (JADA)

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**THE FIRST DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY (FDDS) AND
THE SOUTHWESTERN INDIANA ORAL HEALTH
FOUNDATION (SIOHF) ARE LOOKING FOR DENTISTS
WHO WANT TO SERVE THEIR PROFESSION AND THE
COMMUNITY. REACH OUT TO MEAGAN MITCHELL BY
TEXTING (812) 465-2093 OR EMAIL AT
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Dentoalveolar Trauma & Prevention & Treatment of Procedural Accidents in Endodontics- LUNCH & Learn

FRIDAY, April 10, 2026

THE EVANSVILLE COUNTRY CLUB BAYROOM

Featuring:

Dr. Paul Sahni, DMD, MSD

4 CE HOURS / 12:00-5:00 P.M / CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 11:30 AM

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

4 CE
CREDITS



Course Description & Objectives

Dentoalveolar Trauma:

This lecture will discuss vital pulp therapy on immature permanent teeth, cracked teeth, various injuries to permanent teeth including the management and treatment of these injuries. Furthermore, we will discuss the long-term consequences of dental traumatic injuries.

Prevention and Treatment of Procedural Accidents in Endodontics:

This lecture will discuss file separation, perforations, transportation, and other endodontic mishaps. In addition, we will discuss techniques to prevent endodontic accidents from occurring, and provide the current treatment options needed to remedy these misfortunes.

About the Speaker

Dr. Paul Sahni graduated summa cum laude from the University of Evansville in 1997 with a double major in biology and chemistry. He then attended Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine, where he earned his Doctorate of Dental Medicine (DMD) in 2001. During his time there he was inducted into the dental honor society Omicron Kappa Upsilon.

After dental school Dr. Sahni completed his General Practice Residency (GPR) at Indiana University Hospital. Following the completion of his GPR, Dr. Sahni served his endodontic residency at Indiana University and the VA Medical Center in Indianapolis, Indiana. In 2004 he received his certificate in endodontics along with a Master's Degree in Dentistry. (MSD)

Dr. Sahni has been on staff as an adjunct professor in the Graduate Endodontic Department at Indiana University School of Dentistry since 2004. There he is a member on the admission's committee for the incoming endodontic residents and plays an active role in the clinical and academic education of the current endodontic residents.

Dr. Sahni has been published in the Journal of Endodontics and General Dentistry Journal. He is a licensed endodontist in the states of Illinois and Indiana, and a member of the American Association of Endodontics (AAE), American Dental Association (ADA), Illinois State Dental Society (ISDS), Illini Dental Society (IDS), and Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU). He has maintained a private practice in Champaign, Illinois for over 20 years.

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Registration Form for Dental Trauma & Prevention & Treatment of Procedural Accidents in Endodontics

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**Registration for Endo Traumatology
(includes lunch & event)**

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