Volunteers Invited

For a University of Iowa College of Dentistry research study. The purpose of this research study is to evaluate the effects of different formulas of fluoride toothpaste and an antibacterial gel on dental decay. To participate, volunteers must be 18 years of age and older, in good/excellent physical health; and in need of a full crown of a lower first or second permanent molar. Please call the Dental Clinical Research Center, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., for information or a screening appointment at (319) 335-7414. Compensation is available.

ADA Campaigns for Early Oral Cancer Exams

The ADA is urging dentists to examine patients for signs of early oral cancer. The ADA campaign will be featured in October during annual ADA session, which will be held in San Francisco. The ADA is also working with state and local dental societies to promote education and awareness among members. Dentists, dental schools, patients and consumers will be targeted.

CDx Laboratories, which provides OralCDx, a computer-assisted, painless brush biopsy oral cancer detection test, is supporting the campaign through an unrestricted educational grant.

Approximately 30,000 new cases of oral cancer are diagnosed each year in the United States. According to the American Cancer Society, oral cancer occurs almost as frequently as leukemia and claims almost as many lives as melanoma cancer. Routine, careful examination of patients, which can easily be achieved during a regular dental visit, is appropriate and necessary. The stage at which an oral cancer is diagnosed is critical to the course of the disease. When detected at its earliest stage, oral cancer is more easily treated and cured. When detected late, the overall five-year survival rate is about 50 percent. (Source: ADA.org, June 2003)

Recent Publications


DSB Calendar

Olga Lopez
Barcelona, Spain
“Effect of surfactant-lipid systems on stratum corneum structure.”
Thursday, noon, 31 July 2003
N443 DSB
Useful Philosophies
The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

Gardening rule: When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes of the ground easily, it’s a valuable plant.