Pediatric Dentistry: What’s in it for Me?
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This program will describe and discuss the following:

1. The etiology of common oral diseases in children and provide anticipatory guidance and education to parents/caregivers.
2. The basic knowledge regarding the incidence, etiology, management and prognosis of traumatic injuries to the young primary dentition.
3. The scientific evidence, clinical indications and procedures involved in medical management of caries in children using silver compounds, Hall crowns and interim therapeutic restorations.
4. The medical management of caries in young children and the clinical steps involved in various medical management options.

At the conclusion of this program, participants should be able to:

- Feel comfortable performing oral health screenings and applying fluoride varnish on infants and toddlers.
- Understand the incidence, etiology, management and prognosis of traumatic injuries to the young primary dentition.
- Describe the etiology of common oral diseases in children.
- Evaluate the literature and scientific evidence regarding the medical management of caries in children including silver compounds, Hall crowns, and interim therapeutic restorations (ITR)
- Understand the clinical indications, protocol, consent, and codes related to medical management of dental caries in children
- Be familiar the clinical steps involved in various medical management of caries options.

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