

# 2022 Oregon Dental Conference

## COVID-19 Protocol, Code of Conduct, Policies & Procedures

### COVID-19 Protocol as of 3.12.2022

The Oregon Dental Conference® (ODC) will comply with all federal, state, and venue requirements. COVID-19 related protocols may be updated or changed at any time. Any updated COVID-19 protocols or information will be shared with registered attendees via email and posted on our website at [www.oregondentalconference.org](http://www.oregondentalconference.org).

As of March 12, 2022, masks and COVID-19 vaccination verification or a negative COVID-19 test result are no longer required at the Oregon Convention Center.

Masks are welcome but not required. Attendees may wear a mask based on their personal preference.

[For further information and frequently asked questions regarding the 2022 ODC COVID-19 protocol please click here.](#)

### 2022 Oregon Dental Conference Code of Conduct

The Oregon Dental Association (ODA) is committed to providing a safe, productive, and welcoming environment for all conference participants and ODA staff. All participants, including, but not limited to, attendees, speakers, exhibitors, ODA staff members, service providers, and all others are expected to abide by this Code of Conduct. This code of conduct applies to all Oregon Dental Conference® (ODC) related events, including virtual and in-person offerings.

ODA has zero-tolerance for any form of discrimination or harassment, including but not limited to sexual harassment by participants or our staff at the ODC. If you experience harassment or hear of any incidents of unacceptable behavior, the ODA asks you to inform Margy Simco, Director of Education & Events at [odc@oregondental.org](mailto:odc@oregondental.org) or 503.218.2010 x2004 so that appropriate action can be taken.

Unacceptable behavior is defined as:

- Harassment, intimidation, or discrimination in any form.
- Verbal abuse of any attendee, speaker, exhibitor, ODA staff member, service providers, or other conference guest.
  - Examples of verbal abuse include, but are not limited to, verbal comments related to gender, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, religion, national origin, inappropriate use of nudity and or sexual images in public space or in presentations or during live events, or threatening or stalking any attendee, speaker, exhibitor, ODA staff member, service provider, or other meeting guest.
- Disruption of live chats and live program offerings. All participants must comply with the instructions of moderators and ODA staff.
- No attendee shall solicit or distribute business materials on the Oregon Dental Conference® virtual platform or onsite at the Oregon Convention Center, except for registered exhibitors

operating within their virtual and/or physical booth space. Violation of this policy will result in deactivation of your log-in credentials to the virtual ODC platform and expulsion from the in-person conference with no tuition or booth refunds issued.

- Participants should not copy or take screen shots of Q&A or any virtual chat room activity that takes place in the virtual platform.
- Recording of any type (video, audio, live streaming) is strictly prohibited within Oregon Dental Conference® in-person or virtual continuing education sessions. Violation of this policy will result in deactivation of your log-in credentials to the virtual ODC platform and expulsion from the in-person conference with no tuition refunds issued.

ODA reserves the right to take any action deemed necessary and appropriate, including immediate removal from the conference without warning or refund, in response to any incident or unacceptable behavior, and ODA reserves the right to prohibit attendance at any future meetings or conferences, virtually or in-person.

### ***ODA Antitrust Statement***

ODA meetings are conducted in compliance with federal and state antitrust laws and regulations that prohibit associations from price or fee-fixing, agreements to divide patient or market areas, refusal to deal with third parties, and related conduct that is anti-competitive.

## **2022 Oregon Dental Conference Policies & Procedures**

### **ADA CERP**

Oregon Dental Association is an ADA CERP Recognized Provider. ADA CERP is a service of the American Dental Association to assist dental professionals in identifying quality providers of continuing education. ADA CERP does not approve or endorse individual courses or instructors, nor does it imply acceptance of credit hours by boards of dentistry. The Oregon Dental Association designates this activity for a minimum of 45 continuing education credits with in-person participation and 27 continuing education credits with virtual participation. Concerns or complaints about a CE provider may be directed to the provider or to ADA CERP at [www.ada.org/cerp](http://www.ada.org/cerp).

### **AGD Credits**

The formal continuing education courses of Oregon Dental Association are accepted by AGD for fellowship, mastership, and membership-maintenance credit. Approval does not imply acceptance by a state or provincial board of dentistry.

### **Cancellations & Transfers**

All refund, transfer, and cancellation requests must be submitted to the ODA via email to [odc@oregondental.org](mailto:odc@oregondental.org) or written letter received by March 24, 2022. A \$25 handling fee will be charged for all tuition refunds. Registration transfers will be accepted for the same year without penalty. **Workshop and additional course fees are non-refundable. Refund requests will not be granted for any reason after 11:59 pm on March 24, 2022.** If you are ill or have been exposed to COVID-19, please do not attend the in-person portion of the ODC. Email [odc@oregondental.org](mailto:odc@oregondental.org) for assistance with transferring your registration to virtual-only participation.

## **Children at the Meeting**

Childcare is not provided at the conference. Check with area hotels for childcare recommendations. Children under 16 are not allowed in meeting rooms but are welcome in the Solutions Marketplace. All children must be registered to attend the Oregon Dental Conference®. Registration is complimentary for children under 18 and must be completed on-site. Advance registration is not available. For the safety of all attendees, strollers are not permitted in the Solutions Marketplace and meeting rooms.

## **Communications**

By registering for the Oregon Dental Conference®, you give the Oregon Dental Association permission to email you pertinent meeting information and updates. All Oregon Dental Conference® emails will be sent from [odc@oregondental.org](mailto:odc@oregondental.org) and [odc@prereg.net](mailto:odc@prereg.net). Please make sure these addresses are on your safe senders list to ensure you receive all conference communications.

## **Course Credit**

The number of continuing education credits for each course is equal to the number of hours for that course. No partial credit will be awarded. For virtual courses only, a quiz must be successfully passed following each session, with a minimum score of 70%, before CE will be awarded. For in-person courses only, CE completion codes will be given orally at the conclusion of each course and will not be available at any other time. It is the participant's responsibility to verify the requirements of their state/provincial licensing board(s) and to self-report any CE credits earned. Full day courses have two completion codes. ODAA courses are approved for Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) continuing education credits. Complimentary student registrations for pre-dental students, hygiene students, assisting students, and lab tech students will not be eligible for CE credit. If you require CE, please register in a paid category. OHSU dental students and dental residents are eligible for CE but will need to register in the appropriate category and be verified by ODA staff.

## **Course Disclaimer**

The Oregon Dental Conference®, its sponsors, and the Oregon Dental Association make every effort to present high-caliber speakers in their respective areas of interest. The presentations of the speakers in no way imply endorsement of any product, technique, or service. The Oregon Dental Conference® and the Oregon Dental Association specifically disclaim responsibility for any material presented. Programs may be subject to change due to circumstances beyond our control.

## **Course Handouts**

All in-person and virtual course handouts will be available on the ODC registration platform and through the ODC Mobile App starting on March 24, 2022. Please note, handouts are supplied at the discretion of the speaker. Not every ODC course will have a handout available. Handouts will not be printed for distribution on-site.

## **Course Seating**

All full conference attendees must select their courses during the registration process to ensure there is adequate seating. Room assignments will be based on preregistration numbers. Due to fire code regulations, once a course is full, attendees will not be allowed to sit on the floor or bring chairs from another room. For workshops and courses with limited seating, there will be a 5-minute grace period before your seat is released to a waitlisted attendee. Please set all electronic devices to 'silent' during courses.

## **Emergencies**

An emergency medical team is on-site during all conference hours. To summon emergency aid, pick up any house phone and dial the operator.

### **Mother's Room**

The OCC provides two Mamava nursing suites for visitors. These private and secure suites are located near the A and E Meeting Rooms on Level 1. They are ADA-compatible with a comfortable seating area and are equipped with standard AC power outlets and USB charger ports. All Mamava suites come with a Bluetooth SmartLock that syncs with Mamava's mobile app. Download the app at [mamava.com/mobile-app](http://mamava.com/mobile-app).

### **Non-Dental Guests**

Non-dental guests are non-dental attendees (family, friend, etc.) sponsored by a dentist who is registered for the 2022 Oregon Dental Conference®. Dentists must verify that guests are not dentists or student dentists. If it is determined that a guest is a dentist, the dentist agrees to reimburse the Oregon Dental Association for the appropriate registration fee. Non-dental guests must register for full conference or virtual only badge. To purchase a Solutions Marketplace-only badge you must be part of a dentist's group registration.

### **Non-Solicitation Policy**

No attendee shall solicit or distribute business materials on the Oregon Dental Conference® (ODC) virtual platform or in any designated ODC meeting space at the Oregon Convention Center, except for registered exhibitors operating within their designated booth space in the Solutions Marketplace. Violation of this policy will result in expulsion from the in-person conference and deactivation of any virtual platform log-in credentials. Refunds will not be provided if this policy is violated.

### **Notice of Photography, Video Recording, and Computer Screenshots**

The Oregon Dental Association reserves the right to use any screenshot/photograph/video taken at any in-person or virtual 2022 Oregon Dental Conference® events without the expressed written permission of those included within the screenshot/photograph/video. The ODA may use the screenshot/photograph/video in publications or other media material produced including but not limited to: brochures, invitations, postcards, websites, etc. As a virtual or in-person conference participant you release the ODA, its officers and employees and all persons involved from any liability connected with the taking, recording and publicizing photos and videos. You also waive your right to financial claim of payments and royalties in connection with these photos and videos.

### **Recording Policy**

Recording of any type (video, audio, live streaming) is strictly prohibited within Oregon Dental Conference® virtual and in-person continuing education sessions. Violation of this policy will result in expulsion from the in-person conference and deactivation of any virtual platform log-in credentials. Refunds will not be provided if this policy is violated.

### **Registration Materials**

**NEW THIS YEAR:** There will be no physical registration materials mailed to attendees for the in-person portion of the conference. All badges will be printed onsite. Each attendee will receive an email containing a barcode one (1) week prior to the conference for easy badge printing onsite. Badge printing will be available in Pre-Function A during registration hours.

No physical registration materials will be mailed to those attendees who sign up for the virtual-only portion of the 2022 Oregon Dental Conference®. Confirmation of registration and information on how to access the virtual platform will be emailed to the email address used when registering for the

virtual-only portion of the 2022 Oregon Dental Conference® prior to April 7, 2022.

### **Virtual Platform Access**

On-demand continuing education sessions will be available from April 7, 2022, at 7:00 am through 11:59 pm on May 15, 2022. Credentials for accessing the virtual platform will be shared with attendees by email. Please keep this in mind when registering for the conference. The email used during the process will be used for all follow-up conference communications.

### **Special Assistance**

If you need special assistance, please indicate your needs when registering for the conference or contact the ODA at 503.218.2010 or [odc@oregondental.org](mailto:odc@oregondental.org). The Oregon Convention Center complies with the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

### **Time Zones**

All 2022 Oregon Dental Conference® events will be in the Pacific Time (PT) time zone unless otherwise noted.