The only thing that remains constant is that everything is constantly changing. At AGD 2015, from June 18–21 in San Francisco, the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) intends to not just embrace that change but celebrate it. Taking place at the Moscone West Convention Center, the 2015 annual meeting will showcase new technologies, new continuing education courses for dentists and staff and a keynote address from Travelocity.com founder Terry Jones.

Meeting highlights

The AGD has announced this year’s keynote speaker is none other than founder of Travelocity.com, founding chairman of Kayak.com and executive chairman of Wayblazer, Terry Jones. In a presentation sponsored by Colgate, Jones will be sharing his knowledge on creating a culture of innovation within the dental practice and embracing the opportunities found in today’s age of information.

Innovation will be on full display at the “Modern Practice for Today’s Patients” presented by Henry Schein Inc. Located in the exhibit hall, this display invites attendees to imagine the possibilities of a technologically enhanced dental office. Visitors will try out cutting-edge equipment, demo patient-management software and catch a glimpse of the esthetic options available for transforming a practice space.

After catching a glimpse of the future in office design, attendees can get up close and personal with the future of the dental profession at the clinical and research e-poster presentations. Dental students and residents will present ideas for shaping the dental landscape of tomorrow on digital displays.

Education highlights

AGD 2015’s celebration of change is most readily apparent in this year’s brand new continuing education tracks. This array of courses will help attendees focus on particular subject areas such as endodontics, implants and special patient care.

New for this year, the AGD is proud to present a 90-minute live-patient dental implant course hosted by Engel Institute founder Todd B. Engel, DDS, as well as fundamental and intermediate Invisalign® courses for dentists and their teams.

Fun and philanthropy

Meeting attendees are encouraged to bring their friends and family to the President’s Celebration to honor fellows and masters while enjoying fine dining and live music and networking with colleagues.

Friends and family are also invited to support oral cancer awareness and research at the 5K Fun Run/Walk presented by the AGD Foundation. Other foundation events include the silent auction and on-site oral cancer screenings designed to emphasize the importance of detecting it in its earliest stages.

Registration and housing

Registration for AGD 2015 is now open at www.agd2015.org. The official hotel of AGD 2015 is the San Francisco Marriott Marquis, 780 Mission St., San Francisco. To guarantee a spot for your family and staff, make your reservations early by visiting resweb.passkey.com/go/AGD2015 or by calling (877) 622-3056. International guests may dial +1 (415) 896-1600.