Dentrix G6: Just what clinicians wanted

By Sierra Rendon, today Staff

Ooh-ing, ahh-ing and clapping. That was the response when introducing CDA Presents attendees to the Dentrix® G6 at the Henry Schein booth, No. 1370, as the software was launched this week.

“They basically wanted to know, ‘How soon can I get this?’” said Brad Royer, Dentrix product manager. “The response has been excellent.”

The new release is the latest version of the award-winning dental practice management software. Dentrix G6 offers customers new features that enhance user experience and enable practitioners to easily adopt paperless practices.

“The Dentrix mission, as we head into our 25th anniversary year, is to help the clinician be as profitable as possible,” Royer said. “With all of these improvements, we aim to both increase efficiency and increase profitability for the dentists.”

To help practices further automate frequent tasks, such as scheduling, charting, treatment planning, billing and reporting, Dentrix G6 offers upgrades to its financial analytics, accounting and billing tools that make it easier to manage patient information, Royer said. Dentrix G6 also features a new “click to chat” button in the Help menu, so customers can receive real-time answers to their questions from the Dentrix support team.

Another new button on the Dentrix G6 toolbar gives one-click access to the Dentrix Marketplace, an online store that offers products and services that work with Dentrix, including “Dentrix Connected” apps that integrate directly into the Dentrix system to eliminate duplicate data entry and speed up practice workflow.

“It’s similar to the Apple App Store, where third parties can place apps that integrate with Dentrix,” Royer said. “It gives clinicians the autonomy to find and choose exactly what will be most helpful to their individual practices.”

Updates featured in Dentrix G6 were based on feedback received from users via an online suggestion box, social media polls and industry conferences made available by Henry Schein.

“When we set out to create this, we had two goals: 1) to improve efficiencies in the product and 2) to understand and resolve customer pain points and resolve them,” Royer said. “There are actually 25–30 changes made within Dentrix G6 in specific response to those customer requests.”

Dentrix customers with an active Dentrix customer service plan can upgrade to Dentrix G6 at no cost. Customers who do not have an active plan may call (800) 336-8749 or visit www.Dentrix.com/CSP to enroll and qualify for the upgrade.

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The combination of cone-beam computed tomography (CBCT) images and CAD/CAM technology is becoming the new standard of care for restorative dentistry.

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Planmeca’s imaging and CAD/CAM technology have captured this concept with the ProMax 3D family of imaging units and the PlanScan/PlanMill systems, offering doctors the ability to acquire a data set with more detail than ever.

While digital impression systems are realizing a data standardization solution, the digital X-ray, practice management, CBCT and digital treatment-planning systems found in today’s dental practice require the same sort of attention. To truly maximize the efficiencies and cost savings offered by these technologies, interoperability is imperative among these dental systems.

Data standardization, the transfer of the patient’s information, X-rays, CBCT scans, digital impressions and prescription data between the dental office and the dental lab with the simple push of a button are now possible with Planmeca Romexis open-architecture software and Planmeca Romexis Cloud.

Ultimately, having a common standard that allows the disparate systems used in dental care to function as plug-and-play devices rather than requiring pricy IT solutions will reduce the costs of integrating these new technologies into dental practices and maximize the ROI of the equipment, the company asserts.

Planmeca’s CBCT and CAD/CAM imaging systems, along with open-architecture Planmeca Romexis digital treatment-planning software, are using this idea to improve the efficiency, predictability and cost-effectiveness of restorations, making chairside dentistry a lucrative investment for dentists who wish to grow their practice and offer patients the latest in same-day technology.
Convergent Dental unveils latest enhancements for its Solea laser

By Fred Michmershuizen, today Staff

Convergent Dental, developer of Solea, a computer-aided, CO2 laser system for use in both hard- and soft-tissue procedures, prides itself on constant innovation. During an interview at CDA Presents on Friday morning, Michael Cataldo, CEO of the company, talked about that commitment and offered more information about the laser.

Solea is the first 9.3-micron laser cleared by the FDA for use in dentistry, and this unique wavelength and its computer controls set it apart from other such technology on the market, Cataldo explained. Solea cuts very fast, with very little blood, and can be used with very little anesthesia, he said. These features allow the dentist to increase productivity by performing procedures in multiple quadrants without waiting for a patient to get numb.

“We rolled out Solea a year and a half ago,” Cataldo said, “and in that time we have come up with a whole new generation handpiece and a whole set of internal upgrades.”

Many of these upgrades, he said, are available to all Solea customers without an additional investment.

Here at the Anaheim meeting, Convergent is unveiling several new hollow waveguides, which allow dentists to use the laser in the periodontal pocket in addition to the other typical hard- and soft-tissue procedures the laser is known for. Also being unveiled here is a new Ultraguide handpiece, with which all of the waveguides are compatible.

The hollow waveguides are each 8 mm long and have 400-, 600- and 1200-micron inner diameters, giving practitioners the ability to choose the right tool for the job anywhere in the oral cavity, according to the company.

These enhancements are just the latest example of Convergent Dental’s focus on keeping dentists current with the very latest technology, Cataldo said.

“The real theme is constant innovation,” he stressed. “You buy Solea, and literally every quarter there is going to be an upgrade.”

To learn more about Solea, visit Convergent Dental at booth No. 2436, or visit the company online, at www.convergentdental.com.
OCO Biomedical showcases two-step guided surgery system here at CDA

OCO Biomedical is showcasing its newly introduced Guided Surgery Kit, which features a two-step guided surgery system, here at the CDA Presents. In addition, the company will feature an expanded line of regenerative solutions, which contain allograft, xenograft and alloplastic materials. Along with the expansion in grafting materials, the new line includes a wide variety of collagen, ptfe and allograft products.

A recently released information-packed OCO Regenerative Solutions print catalog will be available.

OCO Biomedical representatives can be found at booth No. 481, demonstrating the Guided Surgery Kit and system, along with other new and existing products. Also available in the booth will be enrollment information about OCO’s Complete Solutions Approach training program, the company’s AGD-Face accredited courses that are offered nationwide in multiple locations.

In addition, the company reports that it is promoting the “OCO Biomedical 2015 International Dental Implant Symposium,” to be held Friday, July 17, and Saturday, July 18, at the Sandia Casino and Resort in Albuquerque, N.M. As a special pre-symposium event, OCO will also offer two full-day, simultaneously run courses on Thursday, July 16, featuring Dr. Rob D’Orazio, who will lecture on “The Implant Environment – Diagnosis and Treatment Planning,” and Dr. Mark Iacobelli, speaking on “Atraumatic Extraction and Socket Grafting.” Pre-symposium and symposium registration materials are being distributed here in Anaheim. Special CDA attendee discounts are also available.

Said Charles Schlesinger, DDS, FICOI, OCO Biomedical chief operating officer and director of clinical affairs: “During the last year and a half, OCO has come to the forefront as an industry-recognized innovator in implant dentistry. We have implemented highly progressive programs to build on our established position as a proven global leader. We will continue to introduce new products, such as the Guided Surgery Kit, to grow our existing product line, while constantly advancing our technology. “Our company is unique in that we create products, technology and training designed and tested by dentists for dentists with the objective of improving patient care and building practice performance.”

For further information, call OCO Biomedical at (800) 228-0477 or visit www.ocobiomedical.com. Because of limited seating for symposium events, early registration is encouraged. Print product catalogs are available upon request.

Featured clinical instructors

- **D’Orazio, DDS, DABOI/ID**, is a 1984 graduate of the University of Detroit, School of Dentistry. In 1987, he obtained a fellowship in the Academy of General Dentistry. In 1991, he completed a two year externship at the Midwest Implant Institute, which included obtaining an ACLS certificate and intravenous conscious sedation training. He is a past president and board member of the Midwest Implant Institute Fellowship. D’Orazio currently maintains a referral-based implant dental practice located in Sterling Heights, Mich.

- **Iacobelli, DDS, FAGD, FICD, MIIF**, graduated from Case Western Reserve University School of Dentistry in 1982. Since then, he has completed post-graduate programs in orthodontics, neuromuscular and TMD treatments for jaw and head pain, esthetic and cosmetic dentistry, implant placement and restoration, and a program for conscious sedation with Advanced Cardiac Life Support. He has been in private practice since June of 1982 and holds licenses and sedation permits in the states of Ohio and Florida. Iacobelli is a fellow in the Academy of General Dentistry, the Midwest Implant Institute and the International College of Dentists.