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Dental professionals from across the country and around the world have gathered in San Francisco for AAE16, the annual meeting of the American Association of Endodontists. There’s plenty of excitement here at Moscone Center West. The meeting offers a great opportunity to learn, to explore new products and services, and to connect with fellow specialists.

A lot of planning has been put into this year’s meeting, according to AAE President Terryl A. Propper. “I want all of our attendees to return to their practices, schools or residencies with new enthusiasm and ideas to provide the best patient care and support the specialty,” Propper said, in a press release announcing the meeting.

On the exhibit hall floor, more than 100 companies are showcasing the latest in endodontic equipment, materials and supplies.

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There is plenty to learn here at AAE16 — and plenty of ways to learn. C.E. credit is available by attending the many lectures and workshops, plus the general session, submitted presentations, poster research and table clinics, and even “C.E. Express” mini lectures.

“Not everyone learns in the same way; so we’re excited to introduce new programming this year to meet the needs of all attendees,” said AAE President Terryl A. Propper, in a press release issued before the meeting.

This year two new educational tracks — Interdisciplinary Care and Derailment — have been added. The Interdisciplinary Care covers different perspectives on orofacial pain, otolaryngology and pharmacology. Derailment delves into things that can go wrong — from managing material extrusion, to removing broken or separated instruments.

On the exhibit hall floor, “To the Point” corporate lectures are being offered on a wide variety of topics.

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learn about the new Hyflex EDM (electronic discharge machining) file system. Reps Brad Morrison and Frank Reid told Endo Tribune that the system was designed with two key objectives in mind: flexibility and fracture resistance.

Roydent Dental Products (booth No. 228) is featuring its wide array of products, including MAP (Micro Apical Placement) Systems. These kits are designed to provide an efficient method for placing root canal repair materials by orthograde or retrograde obturation.

At Henry Schein/EndoVision (booth No. 227) you can learn more about how Simpliteye can enhance your office’s communication.

Dental Cadre (booth No. 439) is offering the Terauchi file retrieval system. HuberMED (booth No. 831) has a number of innovative products, including a BonePen Kit and an Implant Removal Kit. Available from Komet USA (kometusa.com) is the Komet Endo Rescue Kit, for safe and effective removal of instrument fragments. According to the company, the F360 file features a “Double-S” crosscut design, for increased flexibility and cutting efficiency.

Headquartered in Chicago, AAE represents more than 8,000 members worldwide. Founded in 1943, the association is dedicated to excellence in the art and science of endodontics and to the highest standard of patient care. AAE encourages its members to pursue professional advancement and personal fulfillment through education, research, advocacy, leadership, communication and service.