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There are more than 450 exhibitors showcasing their products, services and technologies here at the 2013 Yankee Dental Congress. Whether you are a general practitioner or a specialist, a budding newcomer or a seasoned veteran, one thing is certain: You will be sure to find something valuable on the exhibit hall floor at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center.

Dental Tribune stopped by a number of booths here in Boston to see what is new and exciting. Here is just a sampling:

• For those who want to make a fashion statement with the scrubs and lab coats they wear at work, Vogue Medical Apparel/Sols Threads (booth No. 1936) offers a line of fashionable uniforms. Imprinted with visually appealing artwork on high-quality fabric, the garments allow wearers to express individuality.

So much to learn

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More than 400 courses are being offered here at the 2013 Yankee Dental Congress. The Massachusetts Dental Society — in cooperation with the Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont dental associations — has put together an educational program with some of the country’s leading clinicians.

The theme of this year’s meeting is “Building Bridges Through Innovation, Technology, Wellness & Inspiration.” In the lecture halls, here at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, there is plenty of inspiration to be found.

In one presentation on Thursday, “New Opportunities With Vacuum Forming,” Thomas Zaleske taught attendees how to recognize the differences between mouthguard materials and how each is finished. Keystone Industries supplied materials for this course.

Course offerings here in Boston continue through Sunday. In addition, there are also numerous continuing education opportunities available on the exhibit hall floor. Pick up the official program or download the Yankee Dental Congress app from iTunes for more details.
Here at Yankee: what to know

Exhibit Hall Hours
9:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. today and 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Saturday

Restaurant reservation service
Make dinner reservations with the concierge service in the North Lobby of the convention center. This service includes a listing of restaurants by cuisine and neighborhood and their menus.

Business services
FedEx Kinko’s is the exclusive business center for all show exhibitors and attendees. The FedEx Kinko’s Business Center is located on level one near the North Lobby. For services and more information, visit psg.kinkos.com/conventions/bcec.

Coat check
Coat check service is available in the North Lobby and at the East and West entrances on Level 1.

ATMs
ATMs are located throughout the convention center in the North Lobby, Southeast Lobby C and Food Court.

C.E. Pavilion
The C.E. Pavilion is a free service for all attendees. You can print a certificate with general attendance credits and courses taken at the meeting in either one of two ways (please use only one method). Visit the C.E. Pavilion located in the North Lobby and satellite pavilions in the exhibit hall or visit www.yankeedental.com through Nov. 1.

Exhibit Hall Mystery Shopper
Shop the exhibit hall floor on Saturday, and you may be rewarded with a gift card from a Mystery Shopper.

Exhibit Hall Mystery Snack
From 4 to 5:30 p.m. today, enjoy a complimentary glass of sangria or a beer during the Sangria Social Hour.

On Saturday, sample award-winning chowder from Levy Restaurants, Hilton Back Bay, Seaport Hotel, Hyatt Regency Boston, Renaissance Boston Waterfront and Starwood of Boston during the 13th annual chowder tasting.

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