Happy St. Patrick’s Day! And welcome to the Pacific Dental Conference. More than 150 open presentations and hands-on courses, six sessions of live dentistry, a bevy of lively social events and an exhibit floor with more than 300 companies in 600 booths await you here at the Vancouver Convention Centre today, Friday and Saturday. Virtually everything you need for your dental practice and dental

Six sessions of ‘Live Dentistry’ in two days

The exhibit floor will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. today and Friday with live dentistry sessions back in full force for the PDC’s 2016 edition. Three sessions fill out the schedule on each of the Exhibit Hall’s two days.

The Live Dentistry Stage is sponsored by Sinclair Dental and A-dec.

Today
- At 9 a.m., Bernard Jin, DMD, presents “Immediate anterior implant solutions with ridge augmentations using innovative PRF applications” with commentary by Dr. Mark Kwon. The session is cosponsored by Hiossen Implant Canada.
- At 11:30 a.m., Ho-Young Chung, DDS, presents “Immediate implant denture solution with extractions, PRF, immediate implant placement and immediate loading” with commentary by Dr. Mark Kwon. The session is cosponsored by Hiossen Implant Canada.
- At 2 p.m., Alan Lowe, DMD, Dip Ortho, PhD, FRCDC, presents “Clinical techniques for sleep apnea therapy with oral appliances.” The session is cosponsored by Aurum Group.

Friday
- At 8:30 a.m., Peter Walford, DDS, FCARDP, presents “Can’t place implants? Take a look at the inlay/flange bridge and what it can do.”
- At 11 a.m., Sonia Leziy, DDS, Dip Perio, FCDS(BC), FRCD(C), presents “Immediate implant placement and transitional restoration — 5 key steps for success.” The session is cosponsored by BioHorizons Canada.
- At 1:30 p.m., David Chong, DDS, and Brandon Kang, DDS, DMD, MD,
career can be found in either the PDC classrooms or Exhibit Hall during the next three days. Or, with approximately 12,500 dental professionals in attendance, it might be that you’ll find what you’re looking for while on your way between the two locations.

With today being St. Patrick’s Day, meeting organizers have planned a “Celtic Celebration” event tonight with a mixture of Canadian and Irish fun. It was approaching “sold-out” status at press time. But all sorts of other Irish-fun surprises are in store for attendees throughout the conference.

2016 PDC held in conjunction with Canadian Dental Association

This year’s PDC is being held in conjunction with the Canadian Dental Association — the national voice for dentistry dedicated to the advancement and leadership of a unified profession, and to the promotion of optimal oral health as an essential component of general health.

In celebration of the collaboration, this year’s conference includes a “Canadian Speaker Series” with top dental experts from across Canada.

A CDA presence also is seen in the CDA/DENTSPLY Student Clinician Research Program, which is being held today in the Exhibit Hall foyer. The purpose of the table clinics is to stimulate ideas, improve communication and increase student involvement in the advancement of the dental profession. After a closed jury session, the student clinicians present their research as Table Clinics. All attendees are welcome.

About the PDC

In British Columbia, the tradition of gathering to share information on dentistry dates to 1936, when the First BC Dental Congress became the Pacific Dental Convention. After a closed meeting became the Pacific Dental Conference.

In 1998, with dental professionals attending not just from British Columbia but from across the U.S. and Canada, the meeting became the Pacific Dental Conference.

One thing that has never changed is the tradition of offering exceptional continuing education and the latest in techniques, technology and services. The conference’s laser focus on advancing the profession stops at the top. The PDC’s organizing group is composed of dental professionals who volunteer their time to produce and deliver one of the most popular dental conferences in North America.

(Source: Pacific Dental Conference)

Above, attendees stream into the PDC Exhibit Hall. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. today and Friday. Below, attendees descend to the Exhibit Hall. (Photos/Provided by Pacific Dental Conference)

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present “Lateral and crestal sinus surgery.” The session is cosponsored by Hiossen Implant Canada.

Check the app

The live dentistry stage, located in the Exhibit Hall, is open to all attendees. Start times are subject to change, so it’s worth checking the PDC app or the latest “Conference at a Glance” to access the most current schedule.

Two-day Exhibit Hall includes inaugural “Product Stage”

Exhibit Hall exhibitor spaces are sold out again this year, with more than 600 booths occupied by more than 300 companies. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. both today and Friday.

New in the Exhibit Hall at this year’s conference is the Product Stage, featuring presentations throughout both days. Find it in the 1900 aisle, just steps away from today publisher Dental Tribune America, in booth No. 1929.

(Source: Pacific Dental Conference)

Above, Dr. Mark Kwon performs an ‘Implant with Sinus Surgery’ as Dr. Bernard Jin (standing at left) adds commentary, on stage at the Live Dentistry Arena in the Exhibit Hall at the 2014 PDC. (Photo/Robert Selleck today Staff)

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