Implant Maintenance and Soft Tissue Management:

Critical Factors for Long-Term Success

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The continuing success and survival of each implant placement is dependent upon the provision of a long-term maintenance and support program. This presentation will provide delegates with up to date knowledge and current concepts in the care and maintenance of implants and the surrounding periodontal tissues. A review of debridement and disinfection techniques is presented along with complications and risk factors for the implant patient.

Goals of the lecture:

- 1. To provide an overview of implant tissue anatomy and biological seal.
- 2. To identify implant surface characteristics and different debridement techniques.
- 3. To understand the etiology and management of peri-mucositis.
- 4. To develop protocols in the care and maintenance of the implant and supporting tissues.
- 5. To consider the complications and risk factors in the long-term maintenance of the implant patient.
- 6. To provide the patient with an effective bespoke homecare strategy.