



The Canadian Academy of Restorative Dentistry and Prosthodontics
l'Académie canadienne de dentisterie restauratrice et de prosthodontie

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What is CARDP?

The Canadian Academy for Restorative Dentistry and Prosthodontics, or CARDP, was founded 28 years ago as a not-for-profit organization with the goal of providing opportunities for general dentists and prosthodontists across Canada to improve their skills in restorative dentistry and prosthodontics. Each year CARDP holds its scientific meetings in Halifax, Montreal, Toronto or Vancouver. On Oct. 1-3, 2020 CARDP will be held in Halifax!

CARDP helps dentists excel in the art of dentistry at an annual two-day scientific meeting highlighting many international speakers. Generally, these speakers are engaged in twenty minute or one hour series presentations. Through this series of fast moving diverse speakers we keep our attendees engaged. These speakers are nationally peer reviewed to assure they are unique and highly accomplished in their field before receiving an invitation to present at CARDP. The speakers provide current, non-biased content with no commercial branding. Should there be any commercial assistance for a speaker, full disclosure of commercial involvement is presented. This all contributes to making CARDP a recognized ADA-CERP accredited continuing education provider.

CARDP scientific meetings are open to general dentists, dental specialists and dental technicians-both members and non-members. You do not have to be invited or be a member to attend, simply go to www.CARDP.ca to register. This year CARDP has the honour of having two regional Scientific Chairs: Dr. Kilby Townshend (Bedford) and Dr. Dean Miller (Dartmouth). With the help of current CARDP President, Dr. Peter Thomson (Truro) and the National Scientific Committee, they have curated a program entitled “The Art and Science of Preserving the Natural Dentition”. Dr. Miller says “We wanted this year’s program to focus on saving teeth. One of our invitees is the Academy’s good friend Dr. David Clark from Tacoma Washington, who will speak on “Fractured Teeth”. Dr. Kilby Townshend says, “We wanted to invite Dr. Bill Robbins from San Antonio, Texas back to Halifax. He is one of the most articulate and prolific speakers in dentistry today and will give us 6 tools to put the teeth in the middle of the smile as a follow-up to his previous Global Diagnosis talk. We are also fortunate to have Dr. Gerry Chiche speak to our group. He will give a 40-year perspective on parameters for longevity.” These are just a few of the 16 or so speakers for our meeting!

Why become a CARDP member? As a member you are a recognized leader in the knowledge of rehabilitative dentistry and well-being of patients, promote health of the public through the advancement of the art and science of dentistry, promote high ethical standards amongst members of the dental profession, provide continuing education in restorative and prosthetic dentistry for members and the dental profession. You also encourage the quality and quantity of teaching of restorative and prosthetic dentistry in Canadian university dental schools. In 2019, CARDP awarded seven scholar awards for Restorative Excellence across Canada to dental schools. This year’s Dalhousie recipient was Dr. Ryan Tilley who was recognized at the 2019 meeting in Toronto. There are also member attributions such as no need to take notes as you will receive the presentations in video format online. You will have priority acceptance to pre-conference hands on workshops and significantly reduced attendee fees. We also offer a wonderful guest program and fun evening events at a wonderful venue.

While enjoying informative lectures, engaging in interactive relationships amongst peers, you will discover CARDP is truly an experience you can’t find on-line and one you will be proud to be a part of.

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