



Dental Study & Social Group

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Endodontic Failure And Re-Treatment

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09.00: Registration and coffee.

09:30: "Access = Success". Principles of access cavity preparation, canal location, length determination, and why the access cavity is an important foundation for success.

10.45: Morning refreshments

11.15: Success and failure of endodontic treatment, and re-treatment.

12.15: Open forum/discussion (if required)

12.30: Lunch.

13.30: Success and failure of endodontic treatment, and re-treatment continued.

14.45: Afternoon tea

15.15: Case discussions; why a treatment may have failed, when to re-treat and when to extract.

16.15 Open forum/discussion (if required)

16.30: End of day

Learning aims and outcomes:

- Understand the importance of why the access cavity is an important foundation for successful canal location and reaching the apical terminus, ultimately allowing thorough debridement of the root canal system.
- Describe the various methods used to determine working length along with the limitations of each.
- Understand microbial and non-microbial causes of failure
- Describe the techniques used to remove root filling material, and how obstructions such as ledges, perforations and posts can be managed.

Qualifies for 5 hours of ECPD following the GDC's development outcome **C**