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## MASTER CLASS IN CLINICAL PERIODONTOLOGY: SECURING OUTSTANDING CLINICAL EFFECTIVENESS

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The main aim of this lecture is to evaluate the attitude and knowledge of non-surgical and surgical periodontal procedures by hygienists, periodontists and other dental professionals who have a specialty or a special interest in clinical periodontology. The following key challenges are going to be discussed: limitations of non-surgical periodontal treatment and assessment, periodontal regeneration for the dental professional, existing regenerative, plastic surgical procedures and when to refer to a periodontist. Primary dental care team would be advised on how to meet high standards of periodontal care, influence behaviour change of patients and fulfil their medico-legal and General Dental Council professional standards. They will be instructed to have a pathway they can follow, to understand their role in managing periodontal conditions and how to accept more responsibility for the success or otherwise of the treatment. It would enable delegates to understand the classification of periodontal disease and assessment of periodontal risk, be aware of patient communication principles and tools to support changed behaviour, be aware of clinical guides and non-surgical therapy, including a modified plaque and bleeding score methodology, understand the new care pathways for periodontal patients including referral protocol for advanced surgical periodontal treatment, implement the toolkit within practice and understand their role as clinical leaders. Although dental professionals are aware of

the current innovations in periodontal advanced procedures including periodontal regeneration and mucogingival surgical procedures, a good understanding of basic answers to the following questions should secure high quality of periodontal therapy and patient satisfaction.

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