

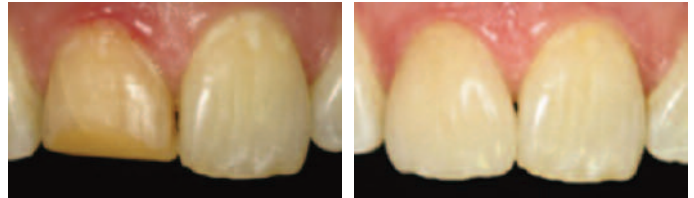


# Direct Composite Artistry

## Predictable Practical Profitable

Direct composites in the anterior dentition can provide the most conservative and affordable restorations for our patients, while maintaining a high level of aesthetics. Many practitioners have been frustrated and overwhelmed by the techniques, composite systems, color and instrument choices available today. This has even led to some practitioners not offering larger class IV and direct composite veneer restorations in their practices.

In this program, we will explore and overcome some of the challenges that we face every day in our practices. Following an actual case, participants will participate in planning, placement & finishing a polychromatic restoration in the anterior dentition.



before

after

### Michael J. Melkers, D.D.S., F.A.G.D.

Diplomate, American Board of Aesthetic Dentistry Dr. Melkers is a 1994 graduate of Marquette University School of Dentistry. He and his wife, Dr Jeanine McDonald practice general dentistry in Spokane, Washington with an emphasis on comprehensive and restorative care. Together, they received their Fellowships in The Academy of General Dentistry in 2003. Dr. Melkers balances his time between private practice, teaching research and publishing.

Dr. Melkers has presented around the world on occlusion topics, communication and restorative dentistry applicable to the every day and some day practice.

Dr Melkers has published related articles in The Journal of Cosmetic Dentistry, Practical Procedures & Aesthetic Dentistry(PPAD), Compendium, Inside Dentistry, Dental Town Magazine and Collaborative Techniques. He has presented his independent research on bonding and TMJ issues at the American Equilibration Society and the World Congress of Minimally Invasive Dentistry.

Dr. Melkers is the founder of the Nuts & Bolts Occlusion programs and is Past Director of Occlusion & Aesthetic Dentistry at the Pacific Northwest AEGD Residency Program. Dr. Melkers is a mentor for The Pankey Institute & Visiting Faculty at The Spear Institute. Dr. Melkers enjoys sharing real world challenges as well as solutions in his interactive learning experiences.

### What will you Learn:

- color mapping for results and simplicity
- learn and utilize a lingual putty technique that takes the guess work out of anatomical build-ups and helps make incisal characterization more predictable
- simplified instrumentation and techniques, from placement to finishing
- the use of brushes for anterior composites mastery
- polishing protocols
- fee considerations in everyday practice

8:00 am	Registration Open
8:45 am – 10:15 am	Lecture
10:15 am – 10:30 am	Morning Break and Discussion
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Lecture
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Lecture
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Lecture & Question Time