



Mastering Aligners & Increasing Case Acceptance:

Plus Evidence-Based Cases to Improve Airway

Course Description

With a compound annual growth rate of 32.2% expected in the US clear aligner market from 2025 to 2030, successful practices rely on strong collaboration between dentists and dental assistants to increase profitability. This course equips the entire clinical team with the systems, skills, and confidence to lead a streamlined digital workflow – from patient intake and case acceptance to aligner delivery and same-day restorations.

Whether you are new to digital dentistry or looking to elevate efficiency and profitability, this course provides a practical, step-by-step roadmap to mastering intraoral scanners, 3D printing, digital design software, lab communication, and aligner case management.

Learning Objectives

At the completion of this course participants will understand:

- ◆ The fundamentals of clear aligner therapy and how the doctor-assistant team drives predictable case success
- ◆ How to capture and evaluate critical records for aligner case submission including intraoral scanning, photography, and impressions (if needed).
- ◆ How to implement effective patient communication strategies that improve case acceptance and treatment compliance
- ◆ How to place, verify, and troubleshoot direct bonded attachments with accuracy and efficiency
- ◆ How to optimize digital workflows including aligner tracking, patient monitoring tools, and chairside efficiency systems
- ◆ How to establish a step-by-step clinical system from consultation and case presentation through retention
- ◆ How to identify opportunities to integrate same-day dentistry and restorative workflows into aligner cases
- ◆ How advanced clear aligner protocols and manufacturing can significantly reduce the need for attachments and IPR
- ◆ Demonstrating airway changes using before-and-after CBCT data, with case evidence presented by Dr. Kevin Goles, DDS

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Program At A Glance

Date	Wednesday, May 13, 2026
Time	6:00 pm– 6:30 pm <i>Registration & Light Dinner</i> 6:30 pm–8:30 pm <i>Lecture</i>
Location	NIU Naperville Conference Ctr, Rm 166 1120 E. Diehl Rd. Naperville, IL 60563 630-258-0166 (day of seminar)
Tuition	\$125 / doctor \$ 49 / staff
CE Credits	2 hours

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations by the participant within 7 days of the program will result in a fee of 50% of the tuition cost. No shows will be charged the entire regular tuition price. If DDS, Ltd. cancels the program, the participant will be reimbursed the full tuition amount.

Featured Speakers



Ryan Ammon is a clear aligner consultant with Smile Shapers and has 17 years of progressive industry experience specializing in digital workflows, clinical records, airway dentistry, and helping dental practices improve processes, treatment acceptance, and bottom-line results. Over the years, he has trained thousands of clinical teams in the art of clear aligners. Ryan was also Regional Manager at Align Technology.



Dr. Kevin Goles, DDS, Diplomate, ABDSM received his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree at the prestigious University of Michigan School of Dentistry. He continued his education with an advanced dental residency at Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Washington while serving in the United States Army.

Dr. Goles has been immersed in dental sleep medicine since the beginning of his career and is recognized as an expert in the field. He focused his research during his dental residency on Obstructive Sleep Apnea and the substantial negative effects it can have on one's health and quality of life. That foundation then morphed into training under [Vivos](#) to start addressing the root causes of sleep apnea by permanently growing the airway with non-surgical interventions. He has become one of the most experienced clinicians with Vivos by starting and completing the most cases in the country. He is a Vivos Clinical Advisor and teaches many doctors throughout the country in the field of Sleep Dentistry.

Dr. Goles continues to expand his expertise in sleep disordered breathing as he has become a [Breathe Institute](#) ambassador, focusing on functionality of the tongue and orofacial muscles to help maintain the airway. With all of the experience and knowledge he has in the field, he has become a Diplomate with the American Board of Sleep and Breathing.

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