

# DIAGNOSING A KILLER SMILE: AAP Staging & Grading Parameters + Updates



*Ramifications of an inadequate periodontal diagnosis can lead to iatrogenic periodontal disease and subsequent uncontrolled inflammatory conditions in dental patients trusting their care to a dental professional.*

Failure to diagnose periodontal disease is consistently a top complaint filed with state dental boards. The first step in treating and managing a patient's care is diagnosing disease accurately, ethically, and comprehensively. As diagnostics continually evolve, dental providers are encouraged to put down the scaler and pick up the probe to better guide comprehensive diagnostics for optimal care plans.

Alongside periodontal hygienist Katrina Sanders, walk through the nine distinguished classifications of health, gingival disease, periodontal disease and acquired deformities and conditions of the periodontium as well as reviewing the clinical parameters of periimplant diseases and Staging and Grading as outlined by the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP). Gain guidance and confidence through case-based scenarios aimed to offer a practical application of course-acquired knowledge. Finally, receive updates as issued by the AAP for further clarity and understanding in classifying diseases of the periodontium.

#### **Advisory Note:**

*Course resources for this program may be delayed or consistently updated as the nature of this program is deeply based on constant updates from the AAP.*

#### **Learning Objectives:**

- Review clinical parameters Involved in distinguishing periodontal classifications, including contrasting terms of gingival and periodontal disease
- List, describe and differentiate between various periodontal diseases
- Analyze effective protocols for implementing assessments into a periodontal diagnosis
- Explore case-based scenarios to optimize AAP Staging & Grading diagnostics
- Discover the newest updates in AAP Staging & Grading detail

#### **SUGGESTED AUDIENCE:**

Clinical Team Members  
Excellent for: Dental Hygienists

#### **SUGGESTED FORMATS:**

Partial Day Lecture | Full Day Workshop

