

# CONTINUING DENTAL EDUCATION

Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University



## Fundamentals of Diagnosis and Treatment Planning

Dr. Peter Mc Dermott

Category 1

Friday  
February 27, 2026

### PROGRAM OUTLINE

This half-day course, co-developed by Western University and the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario, offers a focused examination of the core principles of diagnosis and treatment planning in dentistry. Designed as a companion to the Applied Course in Diagnosis and Treatment Planning, it lays the groundwork for clinical decision-making through a focused exploration of foundational concepts.

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Upon successful completion\* of this course, participants will be able to:**

- List the key steps to formulate and refine a diagnosis and identify treatment options, including completing a thorough medical history and dental history, conducting key clinical examinations, generating a problem list and applying an iterative, staged treatment approach.
- Explain the professional, legal and ethical requirements for generating a diagnosis, implementing a treatment plan and documenting it in the patient record.
- Describe the importance of discussing the diagnosis and treatment options with the patient at each phase of treatment as part of the consent for treatment process.
- Identify tactics to strengthen their own diagnosis and treatment planning skills.

### TUITION

Dentists: \$395

Dental Hygienist: \$395

### DATE & TIME (3 hours)

**Friday, February 27, 2026**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

### COURSE LOCATION

**Zoom**

**Web portal opens:** 8:30 am

**Registration:** 8:30 am – 8:50 am

### MANDATORY KNOWLEDGE ASSESSMENT

This course includes a required multiple-choice knowledge assessment.

- ❖ You will receive an access code after the session.
- ❖ You must begin within 2 weeks.
- ❖ Once started, you have 2 hours to complete it.
- ❖ A passing score is 18 out of 25.

### ABOUT THE SPEAKER



Peter Mc Dermott, BA, MA, DDS, MSc (Prosthodontics), FRCD(C)FRCD(C)

Dr. Peter McDermott is a Canadian board-certified prosthodontist and is currently an Assistant Professor and the Assistant Director, Quality Improvement in the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry. He completed his specialty training at the University of Toronto in 2005. He is also a Consultant for the RCDSO in the Quality Department and a Course Provider for the College.

**CE POINTS: 4**

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