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# S6361 Bringing Clear Aligners into Your Practice

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## 1. CandidPro Aligners

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## 2. 3M Clarity Aligners

Solventum 2510 Conway Avenue St. Paul, MN 55144 (855)423-6725 (612)842-1263 www.solventum.com

#### 3. ClearCorrect Aligners

Straumann USA LLC 60 Minuteman Road Andover, MA 01810 (800)448-8168 (978)747-2500 www.straumann.com

#### 4. **DDX Software**

Zahn Dental Laboratories
Division of Henry Schein
135 Duryea Road
Melville, NY 11747
(800)496-9500
www.henryschein.com/usen/Zahn/LabManagement/DDX.
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## 5. **Diamond IPR Discs**

Strauss Diamond 9 Florida Park Drive North Palm Coast, FL 32137 (800)982-9641 (386)597-7523 www.straussdiamond.com

#### 6. Dimpling & Erasing Pliers

Precision Dental Instruments 2901 Wilcrest Drive Suite 400 Houston, TX 77042 (888)228-0533 www.precisiondentalusa.com

## 7. Express 5, 7, 10

Align Technology, Inc. 410 North Scottsdale Road Suite 1300 Tempe, AZ 85288 (888)822-5446 (602)742-2000 www.invisalign.com

## 8. EyeSpecial 4 Camera

SHOFU Dental Corporation 1225 Stone Drive San Marcos, CA 92078-4059 (800)827-4638 www.shofu.com

#### 9. Finishing Strips

Strauss Diamond 9 Florida Park Drive North Palm Coast, FL 32137 (800)982-9641 (386)597-7523 www.straussdiamond.com

#### 10. FitStrip IPR Gauge

Garrison Dental Solutions 150 DeWitt Lane Spring Lake, MI 49456 (888)437-0032 www.garrisondental.com

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Formlabs 35 Medford Street Suite 201 Somerville, MA 02143 (617)702-8476 www.formlabs.com

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#### 17. IPR Diamond (Thin)

Brasseler USA Dental One Brasseler Blvd. Savannah, GA 31419 (800)841-4522

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#### 18. IPR Strip System Kit MSG1

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#### 19. iTero Element 5D

Align Technology, Inc. 410 N. Scottsdale Road Suite 1300 Tempe, AZ 85288 (800)577-8767 www.itero.com

#### 20. iTero Lumina

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#### 21. Microbrushes

Practicon Inc. 1112 Sugg Parkway Greenville, NC 27834 (800)959-9505 (252)752-5183 www.practicon.com

#### 22. MiniSTAR S

Great Lakes Dental Technologies 200 Cooper Avenue Tonawanda, NY 14150 (800)828-7626 (716)871-1161 www.greatlakesdentaltech.com

#### 23. OptraGate

Ivoclar Vivadent Inc. 175 Pineview Drive Amherst, NY 14228 (800)533-6825 www.ivoclarusa.com

#### 24. Point & Shoot Dental Camera

Lester A. Dine Inc. 351 Hiatt Drive Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418 (800)624-9103 www.dinecorp.com

#### 25. Premise Flowable Composite

Kerr Corporation 200 S. Kraemer Blvd. Building E2 Brea, CA 92821 (800)537-7123 www.kerrdental.com

## 26. RECIP2 Reciprocating Handpiece

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Palm Coast, FL 32137
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(386)597-7523
www.straussdiamond.com

## 27. Red, White, and Blue (RWB) Aligners

AOA Orthodontic Appliances 13931 Spring Street Sturtevant, WI 53177 (800)262-5221 (262)886-1050 www.aoaaccess.com

## 28. Retractors/Mirrors

Lester A. Dine Inc. 351 Hiatt Drive Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418 (800)624-9103 www.dinecorp.com

## 29. Reveal Clear Aligners (Basic & Moderate)

Henry Schein Orthodontics 1822 Aston Avenue Carlsbad, CA 92008-7306 (800)344-3397 www.revealclearaligners.com

#### 30. Scanner CS 3600

Carestream Dental LLC 3625 Cumberland Blvd. Suite 700 Atlanta, GA 30339 (800)944-6365

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## 32. SimplyClear Aligners

Benco Dental 295 CenterPoint Blvd. Pittston, PA 18640 (800)462-3626 (570)602-7000 www.simplyclear.com

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#### **PROGRAM**

## **S6361 Bringing Clear Aligners into Your Practice**

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#### **GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

At the completion of this video presentation, viewers should be able to:

- 1. List reasons why orthodontics is important for all categories of dentists.
- 2. Discuss the appeal of clear aligners for patients.
- 3. Discuss the appeal of clear aligners for practitioners.
- 4. Discuss the revenue potential of aligner use in your practice.
- 5. Discuss staff involvement with aligner treatment.
- 6. Discuss your potential involvement with orthodontists in your area.
- 7. List the main events in the history of clear aligners.
- 8. Discuss the current state of clear aligners in dentistry.
- 9. Discuss potential challenges with aligners.
- 10. Discuss patient education for clear aligners.
- 11. Discuss how to determine what level of treatment you want with aligners.
- 12. Discuss the potential digital workflow for aligners.
- 13. List the most important statements in orthodontic terminology.
- 14. Discuss the possible tooth movements for clear aligners.
- 15. Enumerate the limitations of clear aligners.
- 16. State treatment recommendations for practitioners new to aligners.
- 17. State treatment recommendations for practitioners experienced with aligners.
- 18. Discuss what to do when things go wrong.
- 19. Discuss how to incorporate aligners into your practice.
- 20. List some areas where clear aligners can be an important addition to your practice.

#### **OVERVIEW**

## **S6361 Bringing Clear Aligners into Your Practice**

Orthodontics was one of the first specialties in dentistry, along with oral surgery. As a result, these two topics were inadvertently separated from most other parts of dentistry. Oral surgery was soon integrated into general practice, but orthodontics has been slow to integrate. It is extremely important for all categories of dentists to have some orthodontic knowledge. Aligners are now increasing that integration.

The following and other topics are included in this presentation:

- Reasons why orthodontics is important for all categories of dentists
- The appeal of clear aligners for patients
- The appeal of clear aligners for practitioners
- Revenue potential of aligner use in your practice
- Staff involvement with aligner treatment
- Potential involvement with orthodontists in your area
- Main events in the history of clear aligners
- The current state of clear aligners in dentistry
- Potential challenges with aligners
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- How to incorporate aligners into your practice
- Areas where clear aligners can be an important addition to your practice

#### **SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS**

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## **POST-TEST**

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- 1. A NO to orthodontics is often a YES to:
  - a. Endodontic treatment
  - b. Extractions
  - c. Crown and bridge
  - d. Possibly all of the above
- 2. All of the following are advantages of clear aligners EXCEPT:
  - a. Orthodontic appliances are hidden.
  - b. Enhanced ability to perform oral hygiene.
  - c. Tooth movement depends on wearing aligners.
  - d. May use the aligners as whitening trays.
- 3. Which aligner system has the greatest start-up cost?
  - a. Direct-to-Consumer
  - b. Minor Tooth Movement
  - c. In-office fabrication
  - d. Comprehensive aligner
- 4. The concept of moving teeth with clear aligners is relatively new.
  - a. True
  - b. False
- 5. The clear aligner market is growing rapidly.
  - a. True
  - b. False
- 6. Case simulations more accurately reflect the alignment process when merged with CBCT imaging.
  - a. True
  - b. False
- 7. Choosing interproximal reduction is a preferable way to create space versus expansion for the adult dentition.
  - a. True
  - b. False

## POST-TEST (CONT'D)

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- 8. When choosing a comprehensive aligner system, what factors are important?
  - a. Ease of use
  - b. Variety of treatment options
  - c. Clinical and marketing support from the manufacturer
  - d. Continuing education opportunities at no additional charge
  - e. All the above
- 9. All orthodontic cases can be treated with clear aligners.
  - a. True
  - b. False
- 10. If desired, clear aligner therapy can be accomplished with an entirely digital workflow.
  - a. True
  - b. False

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