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**Polk County Dental Association**  
**“The Complexity of Simple Cases”**  
**Eros Chaves, DDS, MS, DMD, MBA**  
**Tuesday, March 19, 2024**

This lecture will cover periodontal disease as well as dental implants, with examples of diagnosis, treatment plan, and procedures, even for apparently “easy” cases.

Dr. Chaves received his DDS degree from State University of Campinas (UNICAMP) in Brazil in 1977 and later his DMD degree from University of Pittsburgh, School of Dental Medicine in 1999. Dr. Chaves obtained his periodontal specialty training at UNICAMP in 1981 and his certificate in Periodontics as well as his Master Degree at University of Michigan in 1984. Dr. Chaves is Board Diplomate by the American Board of Periodontology and Diplomate by the International Congress of Oral Implantologists Dr. Chaves has held the following positions;

Senior Research Fellow at The University of Michigan from 1984 to 1986.

Private Practice in Santos, Brazil from 1986 to 1989.

Visiting Assistant Professor at University of Texas Health Sciences Center at San Antonio from 1989 to 1991;

Assistant Professor, promoted to Associate Professor with tenure at University of Alabama at Birmingham from 1991 to 1994.

Associate Professor and Director of Undergraduate Program at University of Texas Houston Dental Branch from 1994 to 1996.

Associate Professor University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine and Director of Clinical Research Department of Periodontics 1996 to 1999.

Director of Oral Care at Hill Top Research, West Palm Beach Florida.

Private practice limited to Periodontics in Juno Beach, Florida from 2001 to 2007 and was an Associate Clinical Periodontist from 2007 to 2009 in Vero Beach, and Port St Lucie, Florida.

Associate Professor, Chair Department of Periodontics School of Dentistry West Virginia University from 2009 to 2013.

During his tenure in West Virginia Dr. Chaves also graduated from the School of Business and Economics receiving his MBA in July 2013.

Professor, Chair and Graduate Program Director, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences-Center, Oklahoma City OK from 2013 to July 2015

Periodontist, Pinellas Dental Specialties, Largo FL from August 2015 to March 2020 FL DN 15531

Associate Periodontics , Polk Periodontics and Implant Surgery, Lakeland, FL July 2021 to date.

Dr. Chaves has more than 40 abstracts and peer -reviewed published papers and book chapters. Dr. Chaves has participated in many research projects in academic and private sector. Dr. Chaves has lectured in the diagnosis and treatment of periodontal diseases including regenerative therapies and dental implants. More recently Dr. Chaves has been lecturing in the following areas;

- Anatomical Periodontal Surgery for Periodontal Cosmetic Dentistry - with and without restorative work
- The importance of socket preservation for planning and placement of dental implants
- Dental Implants in the Esthetic Zone for Patients with high esthetic expectations.
- Crown design and contour and its implications in Periimplantitis
- 3D planning for placement of dental implants – Guided Surgery or Surgical Guide? What is the difference? Guiding for Surgical and Restorative Success!



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Dr. Chaves has more than 90 CE courses and presentations in the US and internationally, specifically, Brazil, Mexico, Colombia, Guatemala and Spain.

Dr. Chaves has been married to Andrea for 18 years and returned to Florida in 2015 to be close to all their sons and daughter.

Dr. Chaves was born in Santos, Sao Paulo State, Brazil. He grew up watching the best soccer team (Santos FC) and player (Pele) in the world at the time. Dr. Chaves was fortunate to be around the best in the field of Periodontics (Michigan, San Antonio, Alabama and Pittsburgh) and Implantology (PI Branemark Institute in Bauru, Brazil and Brazilian implantologists). At this time, I provide two days a week in Lakeland, FL in a well established periodontal office from a former periodontal resident from UAB in 1991. This periodontal office has an excellent staff, clinical resources and referrals. Dr. Chaves goal is to achieve positive outcomes with excellent patient care and long-term results in Periodontics and Implantology.

