Course Description and Objectives:
The general dentist faces a wide variety of oral infections that present to his practice for treatment. This lecture will focus in providing a practical approach to deal with them from the initial assessment & evaluation to treatment planning from basic to complex infections.

Upon completion the participant should be able to:

- The participant will develop the skills to evaluate oral infections, therefore identifying which surgical cases can be performed successfully in his office.
- The participant will learn the essential instruments, equipment, and medications required for the successful treatment of these special cases.
- The participant will learn techniques to improve their oral surgical skills as it relates to intraoral infections.
- The participant will identify when and which complex cases present which warrant a specialist referral.

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