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February 13, 2017 (ATLANTA) — The Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP), a community of clinicians, educators, consultants, researchers, and industry representatives who advocate for the Safest Dental Visit™ will bring focus to current and emerging dental infection control and patient safety issues at its annual conference, June 22-25, in Atlanta, GA. The OSAP conference is the premier infection control education and networking event in the dental industry. Nationally and internationally known experts discuss current and emerging issues relating to infection prevention and safety in oral healthcare settings and provide attendees with essential resources, valuable tools, and new approaches for better protecting patients and staff.

The OSAP conference is a must for anyone who wants to get the most current dental infection control information right from the experts. Among the items on this year's agenda is the Orange County California Dental Clinic outbreak of *Mycobacterium chelonae/abscessus* (*M. chelonae/abscessus*) in which 67* children were infected. The conference will also feature new instrument processing technologies, teaching and compliance aids for infection control, targeted workshops, and a session on late-breaking issues—topics so up-to-the-minute that they aren't even identified until shortly before the conference convenes.

Because the conference draws leading educators, policymakers, and researchers, it offers unparalleled networking opportunities. The OSAP conference includes a wine & cheese reception sponsored by OSAP exhibitors, the legendary “Fun”d-raising Auction that gives participants an opportunity to bid on a dazzling array of items, an optional tour of the David J. Sencer CDC Museum at the headquarters of the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and more.

The early bird price is \$549 for OSAP members, \$699 for nonmembers (additional attendees from the same facility are \$449), and \$99 for students. The deadline for hotel and course registration is May 30, and the deadline for the early bird discount is March 15.

For additional information and to register, go to www.osap.org.

*As of February 7, 2017.

About OSAP

The Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP) is the only dental membership association solely focused on infection prevention and patient safety education. Our members include individual clinicians, group practices, educators, researchers, consultants, trainers, compliance directors, policymakers, and industry representatives who advocate for safe and infection-free delivery of oral healthcare. OSAP focuses on strategies to improve compliance with safe practices and on building a strong network of recognized infection control experts. OSAP offers an extensive online collection of resources, publications, FAQs, checklists, and toolkits that help dental professionals deliver the Safest Dental Visit for their patients. Plus, online and live courses help advance the level of knowledge and skill for every member of the dental team. For additional information, visit osap.org.

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