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April 21, 2016 (ATLANTA) — Getting approval to attend a conference can be challenging, even when it's the foremost meeting on infection prevention and safety in dentistry. That's why the Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP) is helping potential attendees for their 2016 annual conference by providing a justification toolkit that includes help to demonstrate the return on investment (ROI). Also included is a template for a justification letter to the supervisor. Materials in the toolkit will help participants prepare a thoughtful justification that clearly demonstrates the value of attending the 2016 OSAP Annual Conference. The OSAP conference will be held June 2-5 in San Diego, CA. Attendees who register by April 30 receive a discount. To view the justification toolkit, go to <http://www.osap.org/page/AnnualConfValue>.

The annual OSAP Annual 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 content-rich program includes new infection prevention tools and updates on emerging and re-emerging diseases like Zika and measles, address the top compliance and safety issues, and offers resources, expert guidance, and evidence-based solutions.

The 2016 OSAP conference will address the challenge of conveying the critical importance of infection control by giving participants the opportunity to learn powerful storytelling skills. Other highlights of the conference include lessons learned from a disease outbreak from contaminated dental water, "Compliance Briefs," a series of five-minute talks that enlighten but are quick, workshops on writing IFUs (Instructions for Use) and infection control certification, updates on antibiotic resistance and HIV/HPV/HCV, and an optional, private, docent-led dental tour of the USS Midway ship. The entire program can be viewed on the OSAP website.

The OSAP Annual Conference is targeted to educators, infection control coordinators, consultants, compliance officers, risk managers, researchers, policymakers, sterilization technicians, and others in dental clinics, private practices, large group practices, hospitals, universities, government facilities, and companies that manufacture or sell infection control products and services. The breadth and depth of the educational programs offered ensure that attendees at every level, from student to expert, will expand their knowledge base and make important contacts.

Celebrating over 30 years of service to the worldwide dental community, The Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP) is a growing community of clinicians, educators, researchers, 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 possible for their patients.

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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