



# HyLife® Oral Health Alliance

**Course Title:** Dying From Dirty Teeth

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**Course Description:** As our population continues to age, and more and more people become dependent on nursing home care, the problem of poor oral health is growing quickly. And it turns out that teaching care providers to brush and floss their client's teeth is not really the best answer. Something needs to be done to stop this epidemic and the needless suffering of our elders. This course addresses oral care issues facing dependent adults, with a focus on nursing home residents and their primary care givers, namely nursing assistants and nurses. This course will get attendees energized about caring for this population. Come hear about opportunities to help this population and feel the excitement!  
Appropriate for Dentists, Hygienists and Dental Assistants

**Course Length:** 3 Hours (Divided into 4 sections)

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:** After completing this program, the dental professional should be able to:

1. Recognize the massive need for dental professionals to be involved in the oral care of dependent adults and that people in this population is often times dying of dirty teeth
2. Understand why teaching care teams about brushing and flossing dependent elder's teeth does not translate to improved oral health of this population
3. List the various simple advanced treatment modalities that exist to improve the oral health of dependent elders
4. Discuss the ways a dental professional can assist care teams with improving their oral care efforts
5. Realize how dental professionals can help dependent adults directly to not only improve their dental health, but also their systemic health through involvement with HyLife, LLC.