Building Value

To say life is complicated right now would be a tremendous understatement. We are in the middle of a global pandemic and we must determine, together, how to move forward. In these troubled and troubling times, the AACD strives to remain a trusted resource. As a reminder, there is a collection of resources and webinars on aacd.com to help you find your way back into practice. In addition, enhanced offerings such as the newly designed online learning tool AACD CEntral provide valuable information and learning paths designed especially for you. Be sure to take a look and learn, at AACD.com/central.

On that same note, the *jCD* is also committed to staying relevant and educating you about practical knowledge and advances in cosmetic dentistry. You can help us to help you by telling us which topics you would like us to cover as well as any particular authors you would like to read in the journal. In other words, what type of guidance would you find most useful? We recognize the necessity of covering the issues that matter most, while also inspiring you! Please email me at edwardl@aacd.com—I would love to talk with you and hear what has been on your mind.

As we continue to stay abreast of current events, please consider sharing your story with your colleagues in the pages of the *jCD*. Do you have an educational case you completed and documented? Have you been working with or as a mentor and have a new technique to reveal?

One of the things we missed this year was the ability to meet face-to-face at our annual conference to build upon the good relationships we have developed. I therefore encourage you to share here about your clinical experiences...and don't be afraid to share mistakes you've made along the way. We all learn from each other!

Since distancing is a must, let's come together virtually and through the pages of the *jCD* to keep building our cosmetic dental community. We need each other more than ever and I am here to listen and help!

Be well!

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