# University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry 123<sup>rd</sup> Annual Alumni Meeting – 2022 Alumni Weekend The Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco

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Friday, March 4, 2022 9:00 am – 12:00 pm – 3 units

#### Subject Area: Materials

## Title:

"2022 State of The Profession – Prevention, Treatment, and The Future"

## **Course Description:**

An overview of the current state of most areas of dentistry, their needs and potential for the future. Materials, devices, technologies, and new concepts currently available and needed. Remaining challenges related to the "Great recession" and COVID-19 and their potential solutions - increasing practice activity, infection control, implant failures, tooth resorption, improving impressions and digital radiography, cracked teeth, and equipment needs. Many questions and their answers as asked of Clinicians Report Foundation.

## **Objectives:**

- 1) Discuss the state of the profession in most clinical areas.
- 2) Describe materials, devices, and techniques related to solving the current challenges.
- 3) Identify the needed areas for change in your own practice. Implement the needed changes.

## Short Bio:

Gordon J. Christensen is Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Practical Clinical Courses (PCC), Chief Executive Officer of Clinicians Report Foundation (CR), and a Practicing Prosthodontist in Provo, Utah. Gordon and Dr. Rella Christensen are cofounders of the non-profit CLINICIANS REPORT FOUNDATION (previously named CRA). Currently, Dr. Rella Christensen is the Director of the TRAC Research Division of the CR Foundation. Since 1976, they have conducted research in all areas of dentistry and published the findings to the profession in the well-known CRA Newsletter now called CLINICIANS REPORT. Gordon's degrees include: DDS, University of Southern California; MSD, University of Washington; PhD, University of Denver; and two honorary doctorates. Early in his career, Gordon helped initiate the University of Kentucky and University of Colorado dental schools and taught at the University of Washington. Currently, he is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Utah, School of Dentistry. Gordon has presented thousands of hours of continuing education globally, made hundreds of educational videos used throughout the world, and published widely. Gordon and Rella's sons are dentists. William is a Prosthodontist, and Michael is a General Dentist.