

**University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry  
Virtual 122<sup>nd</sup> Alumni Annual Meeting**

**Subject Area:** Infection Control

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Saturday, February 27, 2021  
11:15 am – 1:15 pm – 2 units

**Title:**

“Infection Control Since COVID-19”

**Course Description:**

This course makes sense of the many safety recommendations for dentistry considering the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. Standard Precautions and Transmission-based Precautions to address respiratory protection will be explained in the context of CDC & ADA Guidelines and OSHA & Dental Board regulations. Options and strategies are presented with question & answer time to address your concerns.

**Objectives:**

- 1) Recognize and manage bloodborne, contact, droplet and airborne diseases
- 2) Understand how to implement a Respiratory Protection Program
- 3) Recognize and respond to disease exposures with optimal effectiveness
- 4) Minimize the risk of transmitting diseases by optimizing safety strategies

**Short Bio:**

Ms. Dewhirst graduated from the University of Southern California, practiced dental hygiene for 20 years and is adjunct dental hygiene faculty at West Coast University. Ms. Dewhirst is consistently listed as one of the nation’s “Leaders in CE”, presents over 80 seminars a year, is featured at major U.S. and Canadian Dental Conferences, and is a member of the California Dental Association Speakers Bureau. She has had many articles published in dental peer-reviewed journals and has contributed to dental textbooks and guidance documents.

*NOTE: This two-hour course satisfy re-licensure requirement for dentists, hygienists and assistants.*