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# 2026 GLOBAL DENTAL AMBASSADORS

6 - 7 OCTOBER 2026 - PALERMO | Palazzo Steri (Sala delle Capriate)

TUESDAY

## 6 October

MORNING SESSION | LECTURES

Registration Desk Opens (8:00-8:30 am)

**8:30-9:00 am**

Welcome by Prof. Olga Di Fede / Prof. Vera Panzarella,  
Prof. Giuseppe Pizzo, Prof. Giuseppina Campisi,  
Prof. Giovanna Giuliana, Dr. Julie Cernigliaro  
Michele Fazzari (AISO)

**9:00-9:40 am**

Non odontogenic toothache \*  
Dr. Massimiliano Di Giosia

**9:40-10:20 am**

Soft Tissue Pathology in Pediatric Dentistry  
Dr. Fadra Whyte

**10:20-10:40 am** Coffee break

**10:40-11:20 am**

Silver Diamine Fluoride  
Dr. Mahnaz Heydari

**11:20 am - 12:00 pm**

Treatment Missteps  
Dr. Lynn Edwards

**12:00-1:30 pm** Light lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION | CASE STUDY FACILITATORS AND TOPICS

30-minute case study facilitated by GDA team members  
for bi-directional discussion about each case.

**1:30 -2:00 pm**

Cariogenicity and Calories of Meals Served at a  
Pre-Kindergarten School-Based Meal Program  
Dr. Mark Macaoay

**2:00 -2:30 pm**

Traumatic Injuries in pediatric and adolescent  
patients: Interdisciplinary management  
Dr. Rosa Shelton

**2:30 -3:00 pm**

Case study: Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia  
Dr. Fadra Whyte

**3:00 -3:20 pm** Coffee break

**3:20 -3:50 pm**

Pediatric Dental Trauma  
Dr. Mahnaz Heydari

**3:50 -4:20 pm**

Case study: Using aligners for phase I in orthodontics  
Dr. Rita Taliwal

\*lecture in Italian language

TEAM LEADERS

Dr. Julie Cernigliaro - Dr. Massimiliano Di Giosia

Dr. Giuseppe Gariffo - Prof. Vera Panzarella - Prof. Olga Di Fede



WEDNESDAY

## 7 October

MORNING SESSION | LECTURES

Registration Desk Opens (8:30-9:00 am)

**9:00-9:40 am**

Esthetic restorations in pediatric  
and adolescent patients  
Dr. Rosa Shelton

**9:40-10:20 am**

Invisalign as an alternative to braces for children  
Dr. Rita Taliwal

**10:20-10:40 am** Coffee break

**10:40-11:20 am**

Innovations in Craniofacial Surgery: Advancing  
Techniques for Better Outcomes  
Dr. Shohreh Ghasemi

**11:20 am - 12:00 pm**

From Available Bone to Needed Tooth: 30 Years of  
Implant Prosthodontics Evolution \*  
Dr. Giuseppe Gariffo

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Management of Obstructive Sleep Apnea with oral  
appliance therapy \*  
Dr. Massimiliano Di Giosia

**2:30 -3:00 pm**

A Multidisciplinary Approach to Full-Mouth  
Rehabilitation in a Medically Complex Patient  
Dr. Shohreh Ghasemi

**3:00 -3:20 pm** Coffee break

**3:20 -3:50 pm**

Pulp Therapy in Primary and Immature  
Permanent Dentition  
Dr. Mahnaz Heydari

**3:50 -4:20 pm**

FINAL QUESTION TIME  
and CFU accreditation

STUDENT TEAM MEMBERS

Buffa G. - Gagliano G. - Fazzari M. - Fontana F.

Capizzi M. - Romano G. - Medda A. - Palazzo F.

Firrigino C. - Bilello C. - Maggio M.