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The Greater New York C.D.T. Study Group Second Spring Dental Clinic
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On April 23, 2009, the Greater New York C.D.T. Study Group hosted the second spring dental clinic titled *Strategies for Anterior Aesthetics - Photography and Material Selection* presented by NYCCT Alumni Adam Mieleszko, CDT.

The clinic was attended by students and faculty from the Department of Restorative Dentistry, NYCCT as well as by lab owners and lab technicians. 2 CDT credits were awarded to the attendees.

Since the photographic communication for case planning became a necessary tool to achieve aesthetic and predictable result in today's demanding market, Adam discussed material selection for optimal appearance and function as an important factor in overall success. Applications and limitations of materials and proper preparation design were illustrated in step by step laboratory fabrication and clinical case presentations. Further, the clinician went into the details in explaining the basic photographic principles, camera settings for proper image capture and illumination, photo ratios and layouts, as well as shade communication and interpretation combined with tricks to master various porcelain systems. Several case studies were presented.

Adam Mieleszko graduated from New York City Technical College with a degree in Dental Laboratory Technology in 1997. In 2000, he received CDT certification in dental ceramics. Since then he has worked in close collaboration with Dr. Stephen J. Chu, one of the most prominent prosthodontists in New York City. Recently he joined a laboratory team in New York Center for Specialized Dentistry. Interacting with patients on daily bases, Adam mastered his skills in dental aesthetic challenges. He also coauthored "Fundamentals of Color, Shade Matching and Communication in Esthetic Dentistry" (Quintessence Publishing, 2004).

Adam Mieleszko has been an instrumental member of the dental team shaping the present and the future of the dental laboratory technology profession. The Department of Restorative Dentistry, New York City College of Technology and the Greater New York C.D.T. Study Group are grateful to Adam for his compassion, dedication and appreciation for continuing education.