

Preserving The Vitality of Deeply Decayed Teeth: A Take On Vital Pulp Therapy



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Untreated dental caries has remained the most common chronic non-communicable disease in the world. More, its progression, undermining the successive layers of the tooth, ultimately encroaches on the pulp and poses an inflammatory insult. If unresolved, the insult can result in irreversible pulpitis, further challenging the health and function of the tooth. When possible, preserving pulp vitality, allows for the teeth to maintain its integrity and a longer functional life.

Lecture Objectives

1. Understanding the nature of the pulpal insult from deep decay.
2. Understanding how the body and the pulp respond to the insult decay poses.
3. Capture the considerations that influence success in preserving a vital pulp through VPT.
4. Review of the protocols found to be successful in preserving pulpal vitality.

Biography

Dr. Christopher Laing is a general dentist practicing in Tallahassee, FL where he serves as the dental director for the Neighborhood Medical Center, a comprehensive community health center.

He attended Meharry Medical College for his undergraduate dental training graduating in 2011. Dr. Laing continued his training at the University of Tennessee Medical Center at Knoxville, completing a two year GPR residency in 2013.

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