2026

Live-Patient Surgical Training

34 CE

GDIA

Tijuana, Mexico

You will dive into a variety of techniques designed to gain confidence in placing implants with precision and integrity. The GDIA Live Patient Surgical Program is comprehensive dental implant training program that enables clinicians to perform basic to advanced implant procedures under close supervision on live patients at our GDIA facility in Tijuana, Mexico.

GDIA Live Patient Surgery Course Instructors

Course Instructors:

Dr. Kevin Kim / Dr. Marco Tulio / Dr. Sien Siao / Dr. Jiro Akpobome

October 28 - 31, 2026

Course Subject / Course Level	101-Basic	201-Intermediate	301-Advanced
Treatment Planning Using CBCT Imaging	✓	✓	✓
Free Handed Surgery	✓	✓	✓
Basic Surgical Principles: Suturing, Incision & Flap Design	✓	✓	✓
Atraumatic Extraction	✓	✓	✓
Socket Management	✓	✓	✓
GBR		✓	✓
Esthetic Case		✓	✓
Advanced GBR			✓
Crestal / Lateral Sinus			✓
Ridge Split Technique			✓
Full Mouth Reconstruction			✓
All on X			✓
Tuition	**$9,500**	**$11,500**	**$12,500**

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GDIA Live Surgery Course Instructors

Dr. Kevin Kim DDS, FGDIA

Dr. Kevin Kim received his undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of California San Diego. He attended the University of Southern California to obtain his Doctorate of Dental Surgery. Dr. Kim is a graduate of the Kois Center, has completed courses on advanced bone grafting at the Pikos Institute, took a nine-month implant training program at the Misch International Implant Institute, trained in the use of Puros block allograft, completed implant training at The Zimmer Institute, and completed an IV sedation course. All of the time he has spent learning new things and keeping up to date on current technology directly influences the care he is able to give his patients

Dr.Marco Tulio Alzaga Vega DDS, FGDIA

Dr. Alzaga is a 2000 graduate of dental school at the University of Baja California. Upon graduation, he was involved in oral implantology which later became his passion. He was educated extensively in a number of continuing education courses, and ultimately was awarded Diplomate in Oral Implantology. In 2009 he completed a residency program for a Master's Degree in Oral Implantology. He is a member of the Asociacion Mexicana de Implantologia Bucal (AMIB), and the president of Colegio de Implantologia Bucal de Baja California (CIBBC). Dr. Alzaga is also the president of a local non-profit organization, Centro Comunitario de Odontologia Especializada Asociacion Civil, where their mission is to treat underprivileged people who otherwise have no access to receive dental care, and to get their deserved smiles back. He started his own practice at Centro de Odontologia Especializada, to practice interdisciplinary care with focus in oral implantology.

Jiro Akpobome DDS

Dr. Jiro Akpobome is a General Dentist and traveling implant surgeon based in Houston, TX. A former professional trombonist, he shifted his passion for mastery into dentistry, graduating from Baylor College of Dentistry in 2015. He completed an AEGD/GPR hybrid at the University of New Mexico Hospital, gaining extensive training in implants, IV sedation, and third molar extractions. With over 1,000 CE hours, he's placed thousands of implants and mentored under renowned clinicians. He is currently building a dental implant center and remains dedicated to lifelong learning. Dr. Jiro is a Fellow of AAIP and member of ICOI, AAID, ADSA, and ADA.

Sien Siano DDS

Dr. Siao is a highly accomplished dentist with a BDS (Honors) from King Georges Medical & Dental College, India, graduating in the top 10%, and a DDS (Honors) from University of the Pacific, San Francisco with TKO and OKU distinctions. She received the Comprehensive Patient Care Award and Dean's Award for Highest Scholarship. As a Pre-Clinical Instructor in Fixed Prosthodontics, she is dedicated to education. Her extensive continuing education includes implantology, guided bone regeneration, orthodontics, and full-mouth reconstruction. She is an active member of AAID, ICOI, ADA, and CDA, staying at the forefront of modern dentistry.

Course Schedule

DAY 1		DAY 2 & 3				DAY 4		
12 PM	Arrival and Meet at San Diego Airport at 12:00PM Cross the border to Mexico	7:45 AM	Leave Hotel	1-3 PM	Live Patient Surgery 2	7:45 AM	Leave Hotel	4 PM Back to USA
3 PM	Arrival in TJ and check-in Hotel	8 AM ↓	Case Selection & Lecture	3-5 PM	Live Patient Surgery 3	8 AM ↓	Case Selection & Lecture	
4 PM	Faculty meeting		Live Patient Surgery 1	7 PM	Dinner		Live Patient Surgery 1	
5 PM	Orientation and Lecture	12:30 PM	Lunch			12:30 PM	Lunch	
7 PM	Dinner					1-3 PM	Live Patient Surgery 2	

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Registration Form

Live-Patient Surgical Training Program in Baja California, Mexico

Applicant's Information:

Sales Rep. _____

Referred by _____

Name _____ ☐ DDS ☐ DMD Specialty (If Applicable) _____

Office Address _____

Office Phone # _____ Fax _____

Cell Phone # _____ E-mail _____

Licensed in State _____ License # _____

Course Fee _____ Course Code : ☐ GDIA 101 ☐ GDIA 201 ☐ GDIA 301 ☐ Soft Tissue ☐ Full Arch/All-on-X

☐Male ☐Female

☐ Copy of current state dental license attached
☐ Copy of current dental malpractice policy attached
☐ Flight Itinerary

Size of Medical Scrubs Sets :
☐ XS ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL

Level of Clinical Experience	Extensive=20+ cases	Moderate= 10-20 cases	Limited=less than 10 cases	None=0
Soft tissue surgery	☐ Extensive	☐ Moderate	☐ Limited	☐ None
Dental implant surgery	☐ Extensive	☐ Moderate	☐ Limited	☐ None
Sinus grating procedures	☐ Extensive	☐ Moderate	☐ Limited	☐ None
Dental surgery in general	☐ Extensive	☐ Moderate	☐ Limited	☐ None
Advanced grafting procedures	☐ Extensive	☐ Moderate	☐ Limited	☐ None
Computer aided guide surgery	☐ Extensive	☐ Moderate	☐ Limited	☐ None
Full mouth reconstructive surgery	☐ Extensive	☐ Moderate	☐ Limited	☐ None
CE courses taken in past 12 months	☐ 50+ hrs	☐ 25-50 hrs	☐ 10-25 hrs	☐ <10 hrs

Describe formal implant training (institute, instructor, when taken, length of time etc.)

Implant system(s) familiar with

☐ I ***understand*** that the program supplies me with a number of clinical cases that are suitable for learning purposes of the participants

☐ I ***understand*** that due to the nature of clinical case load, the cases will be distributed to each participants depending on the availability of cases, experience level of each participants, and type of procedure being rendered

☐ I ***understand*** that summary of cases (photographs, clinical images, radiographs, health history, models)will be available for review, prior to the first clinical session

☐ I ***understand*** that I will be operating clinically under the auspices of Global Dental Implant Academy and Centro Odontologia Especializada
I also understand that provisional licensure is granted to the program by the local health authorities

☐ I ***agree*** as a health care professional to practice in the safest, and the most sound method possible and as in the Hippocratic Oath, "do no harm."

☐ I ***agree*** to pay $_____ of the tuition in order to secure my spot in the program, and complete the full payment by at least 14 business days before the first day of the program

☐ I ***understand*** that the travel to and from San Diego International Airport is my responsibility. I also understand that travel from San Diego International Airport to the hotel in Tijuana, and to and from the clinic is provided by GDIA

Payment Enclosed: ☐ VISA ☐ MC ☐ AMEX ☐ DISC ☐ Check (Payable to GDIA)

Credit Card No. _____ _____ _____ _____ Exp. Date _____ CVV Code _____

Billing Address _____

Total Credit Charge $ _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Refunds are granted only if a written cancellation notification is received at least 60 days before the course. 50% of the tuition minus a processing fee will be refunded if cancellation occurs within 31 days before this course. No refund is granted afterwards. A $75 fee is withheld for processing cancellation must be notified in writing by emailing to info@gdia.com

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International Health Insurance for Travelers

Live-Patient Surgical Training Program in Baja California, Mexico

Travel Schedule

- Trip Destination : Tijuana, Mexico
- Trip Purpose : Education
- Trip Type : Single Trip

Purpose

Coverage
- Medical Limit : $1,000,000.00
- Deductible : $0.00

*Required Information for Traveler's Insurance

Participant's Name	
Date of Birth	
Address	
E-mail	
Phone #	
Beneficiary Name/ Relationship	
Beneficiary Contact Information	
Address	

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