

## Dr. David Harmon

**Session Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

**Presentation:** *“Soft Tissue Management Using Electrosurgery”*

### Objectives:

- Understand the Principles of Electrosurgery and how it operates.
- Know the differences between gingivoplasty vs. gingivectomy procedure.
- Understand which patients are good candidates for electrosurgery and which cases should be referred out of your office.
- Learn proper anesthetic technique and procedures.
- How to manage the patients post operative discomfort using non-narcotic pain analgesics.



### Biography:

Dr. Harmon is a local man, having attended Bishop McNamara High School before enrolling at Howard University in Washington, DC. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Dentistry, and his Doctorate of Dental Surgery was awarded by Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine, formerly known as the School of Dentistry. It was there that he fell in love with orthodontics, so he applied to and was accepted into the Case Western Reserve University's Master's program, where Dr. Harmon graduated with a Master of Science of Dentistry degree and a certificate in orthodontics.

He is passionate about innovation and technology, especially in orthodontics. *“It's essential that every professional stay abreast of developments in their field, and in oral healthcare there are always new technologies and treatment methodologies.”* His patients trust him to provide them with the best, most proven care options available, so he pursues continuing education offerings throughout the year. Most recently, Dr. Harmon embarked on integrating 3D printing technology, in an effort to create customized in-house aligners--a lower cost alternative to traditional aligners. *“As a lover of the field of orthodontics, I am also excited to be teaching this 3D Aligner Technology to the Orthodontic residents at University of Maryland.”*

He is also an Assistant Clinical Professor at the University of Maryland Department of Orthodontics; Adjunct Assistant Professor at Case Western Reserve University, Department of Orthodontics, Cleveland, OH. He gives seminars on early treatment, Invisalign, Propel (Accelerated Orthodontic Tooth Movement), diode laser, electro-surgery soft tissue management techniques, as well as, other advanced mechanics in the field of orthodontics.

Away from the practice, Dr. Harmon prefers to spend his time with my wife, Shonda, and two children, Kennedy and David III. He is an avid golfer, and enjoys computers and technology.