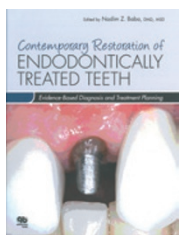


I conclude that this evidence-based text should be essential reading for every orthodontist and orthodontic student. Upon reflection, I would like to echo the sentiments of the contributors: our future clinical decisions should involve integration of the best available evidence, alongside clinical expertise and individual patient values, to provide treatment that is proven to be both safe and effective.

M. McErlain

### CONTEMPORARY RESTORATION OF ENDODONTICALLY TREATED TEETH



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With the ever increasing use of implants, in recent years less focus has been placed on the subject of restoring endodontic and broken down teeth.

*Contemporary restoration of endodontically treated teeth* explores a range of issues involved in treatment for root treated teeth. The book is aimed at dentists wishing to improve on their restorative skills in difficult situations, building on their current practice and providing alternative treatment options – rather than rushing for extractions or suspicious ‘herodontics’.

The four main divisions of the book include treatment planning, methods of restoration of endodontically treated teeth, management of severely damaged endodontically treated teeth, and treatment of complications and failures. This covers a range of topics, all in a concise format that is easy to read. This is enhanced by high quality pictures that show step-by-step approaches to treatment. Throughout the book, the importance of evidence-based research is stressed and statements are based on clinical articles, arguing pros and cons of every method. Case reports are also used to illustrate how techniques have worked in clinical situations.

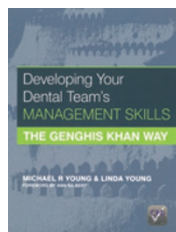
Some of the material and nomenclature may sound a little alien as the authors are of American origin. This may mean that some of the information

discussed in the book may not be as relevant in the UK and should be noted.

I have found this book to be a valuable source of information. It displays theoretical knowledge with more than just an insight on how to use this clinically. Although some of the treatment options discussed are radical for use in the general dental setting, it shows what options are available to the patient. In summary, this book is an excellent way to expand your knowledge on restoring teeth that may have been previously thought of as unrestorable. Of course this is associated with risks and is very technique sensitive and therefore the fact that topics are discussed wholly is very important. The book would primarily benefit clinicians who already have an interest in restorative dentistry, although even the new dentist would find it an interesting read.

S. Venugopal

### DEVELOPING YOUR DENTAL TEAM'S MANAGEMENT SKILLS THE GENGHIS KHAN WAY



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*Developing your dental team's management skills: the Genghis Khan way*, published in 2013, has been designed specifically to be used together with a previous resource published in 2010 called *Managing a dental practice: the Genghis Khan way*. Apparently, the publishers have called this bundle ‘The Genghis Khan way’ books, considered to be ‘ideal for developing a happy team and a successful dental practice’.

Before going further, it should be pointed out that the first book became the 2011 winner of the Diagram prize for the oddest book title of the year. The publisher has tried to explain away the use of the notorious ‘Genghis Khan’ in the book title; ‘Although some in the West see him in negative terms, the Mongol leader created one of the world's greatest empires. His hugely successful strategies included intelligence

gathering, understanding his rivals' motivations, being quick to learn and adopt new technologies and ideas, and successful people management’.

From the title alone, one can tell that this text provides training of management skills for the staff of the dental practice. Having used ring-binding and relatively large font size, the book is presented as a training manual. The first lesson is called ‘What is personal development planning?’ The next three sections have headings of: preparation, people and planning.

Most of the lessons are concerned with ‘understanding’. For example, under Section 1: ‘Preparation’, the title of the lesson is ‘Understanding – what is management?’ Within Section 2: ‘People’, there are seven lessons consisting of: two lessons on patients, four lessons on the employee, and one lesson on the practice manager. The third section ‘Planning’ covers legal and regulatory framework, mission statement, objectives, strategic planning, business plan, quality, planning for disaster, policy and procedure, and managing change.

Each lesson contains outcomes, background reading and activities. For obvious reasons, there are a lot of background readings based on the contents of the authors' first book. Other background reading involves internet search on related topics. Activities include open discussion, small group brainstorming on case study, working in pairs to devise a plan or prepare a presentation.

Overall this is a very hands-on training manual that requires members of a dental team to give dedicated time and efforts to acquire the management skills.

C. A. Yeung

### THE ART OF DETAILING: THE PHILOSOPHY BEHIND EXCELLENCE



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