



## The Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting Announces 2020 Dates & Trailblazing Female Fighter Pilot as Keynote Speaker

*- Hinman 2020 to Be Held March 19-21 in Atlanta, Georgia -*

**ATLANTA (July 11, 2019)** – The Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting – the nation’s leading dental meeting and comprehensive source of continuing education in dentistry – has announced its 2020 dates. The 108<sup>th</sup> annual meeting will take place March 19-21, 2020 at the Georgia World Congress Center (GWCC) in Atlanta, Georgia. In addition, Air Force Colonel (Ret.) Nicole Malachowski, one of the first women to fly modern fighters in combat, will be the featured Keynote Speaker on Thursday, March 19 at 5:30 p.m.

“We have an outstanding program lined up for Hinman 2020 with the theme, ***Come Home to Hinman - Where Teamwork Meets Success***. It promises to be one big homecoming event dedicated to improving skills, expanding capabilities and

collaborating with colleagues and your dental team to achieve success,” said Dr. Bob O’Donnell, General Chair for Hinman 2020. “We are also excited to feature Col. Nicole Malachowski as our Keynote Speaker this year. She was not only a jet fighter pilot, but also became the first woman pilot on the Thunderbirds Air Demonstration Squadron, and defied odds to forge a successful path through many cultural changes in the military.”

Col. Malachowski served more than 21 years as an officer, leader and fighter pilot in the United States Air Force. She was a mission-ready fighter pilot in three operational F-15E squadrons and accumulated over 2,300 flight hours, including 188 hours in combat. In addition, she has had the honor of commanding a fighter squadron, being the first woman USAF Thunderbird pilot, serving as a White House Fellow and being inducted into the Women in Aviation International Pioneer Hall of Fame. Her career ended when she contracted a devastating tick-borne illness that left her unable to speak or walk for 10 months. She fought back against overwhelming odds and now draws on stories from her career and personal life to inspire others to rethink the challenges they face every day.

“In addition to the Keynote Session, Hinman 2020 has a full slate of educational lectures and workshops presented by the best and brightest in the dental profession. Many new speakers, as well as dentistry’s favorites, will be at Hinman 2020,” added Dr. O’Donnell.

Some confirmed speakers include: Dr. Gordon Christensen, Ms. Susan Gunn, Dr. Henry Gremillion, Dr. Mel Hawkins, Dr. Mark Hyman, Dr. Tieraona Low Dog, Dr. Samson Ng, Dr. Uche Odiatu, Ms. Laci Phillips, Drs. Robert and Bobbi Stanley, Dr. “Sully” Sullivan and Ms. Rachel Wall. Visit the [Hinman website](#) for an updated roster of speakers.

Complementing the educational program, Hinman 2020 will feature nearly 400 companies -- located in the GWCC, Building A, Exhibit Hall. Exhibitors will showcase new technology, equipment, products and services for the entire dental staff. The exhibit hall will be open on Thursday, March 19, 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Friday, March 20, 9:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.; and Saturday, March 21, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Registration for Hinman 2020 will open on December 10, 2019. Please visit [Hinman.org](http://Hinman.org) for more information.

## **The Hinman Tradition**

The Hinman Dental Meeting is designed with a commitment to quality and professionalism and a high regard for the value of continuing education. The Meeting is sponsored by the Hinman Dental Society, a non-profit organization, and excess revenue is invested and gifted in the form of individual scholarships to dental, hygiene and assisting students and in contributions to institutions that foster dental education. For additional information about the Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting, visit [Hinman.org](http://Hinman.org) or contact Ms. Sylvia Ratchford, Executive Director, at (404) 231-1663.

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