

## SPEAKER MEDIA KIT

### SIGNATURE TOPICS

- ✓ Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- ✓ Anxiety and Sensory Processing Differences
- ✓ Loss and Grief Literacy
- ✓ Compassion Fatigue and Resilience
- ✓ Adverse Childhood Experiences & Toxic Stress



## GUIDED BY EMPATHY & GROUNDED IN EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE

### SPEAKER BIO

Dr. Jeannette Diaz-Olivera is a trusted and well-respected leader in the dental hygiene profession. Guided by empathy and grounded in evidence-based practice, she is dedicated to humanizing healthcare by promoting person-centered care and emotional safety for both those receiving care and the clinicians who provide it. She holds dual master's degrees in dental hygiene and public health, as well as a doctorate in health sciences from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences University.

With expertise across both the private and government sectors, Dr. Diaz-Olivera brings a comprehensive perspective to her work in clinical and non-clinical settings. Her professional focus centers on interdisciplinary collaboration, advancing dental hygiene education, conducting mixed-methods research, and delivering portable dental care to older adults and individuals with developmental disabilities. Her work is deeply informed by a commitment to trauma-informed care and a strong interest in how sensory processing impacts the dental experience. She has conducted and published original research on the experiences of men in the dental hygiene profession, with additional interests in qualitative research and grief studies.

Jeannette has been described as approachable, collaborative, and reliable. In recognition of her contributions to the field, Dr. Diaz-Olivera received the prestigious Sunstar/RDH Award of Distinction in 2021. She was inducted into the Alpha Eta Allied Health Honor Society in 2021 and is an inaugural fellow of the American Dental Hygienists' Association. Jeannette currently works as a full-time dental hygiene educator at Cerritos College and as adjunct faculty at MCPHS University's Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene Graduate Studies Program.

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