Cleft Orthodontics
A Holistic and Interdisciplinary Approach
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Description

*Cleft Orthodontics: A Holistic and Interdisciplinary Approach* is a definitive attempt to bring forth a carefully integrated perspective on the specifics of cleft orthodontics and the underlying philosophy behind a holistic, interdisciplinary approach, which forms the very essence of comprehensive cleft care.

This book is an outcome of rich experience in managing a variety of cases of all ages and complexities, international experience, a deep-rooted passion for cleft care, and research of over four decades. It presents a blend of comprehensive knowledge, procedures, techniques, and contemporary approaches in cleft orthodontics. The book intends to bridge the vast gap in cleft orthodontic training at the postgraduate level, which is distinctly lacking in the curriculum, and fulfill a perceived crucial need for a global, advanced cleft orthodontics training program. It is an excellent companion for practicing cleft orthodontists. The focus on facial growth, records, orthodontic diagnosis, therapy, technique, and protocols is relevant to pertinent readers, whether an orthodontist, cleft plastic surgeon, speech therapist, audiologist, otorhinologist, pedodontist, orthognathic surgeon, researcher, or a cleft care worker.

**Highlights**

- Thirty-six chapters grouped into ten sections encompassing the panorama of cleft orthodontics, interdisciplinary care, and recent trends.
- An authoritative textbook supported with real-life cases treated with various appliances and techniques which are reinforced with illustrations, graphics, and flowcharts.
- Internationally accepted protocols complemented with innovative and simple approaches to deal with a resource-constrained population and those who have missed early interdisciplinary cleft care.

**About The Editor**

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holds the prestigious National Chair of the Indian Council of Medical Research, named after Dr C.G. Pandit, its first Director at Department of Plastic Surgery, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, India. He is a renowned author of an orthodontic textbook and is credited with highly cited research of 150+ publications. Professor Kharbanda is among the pioneers of cleft orthodontics in India and Southeast Asia and is considered a world authority in the field. He is well known for his significant contributions to clinical orthodontics, higher education, research, and for promoting cleft care. With a passion and zeal for cleft care, he underwent advanced training at Manchester, UK, as a British Commonwealth Fellow. Later, he was affiliated as a “Visiting Scholar” of the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association (ACPA) at internationally renowned cleft centres at Lancaster, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Missouri, USA, and Toronto, Canada. To reduce the burden of care, he evolved innovative and cost-effective approaches to manage complex malocclusions. He is also the curator of the multicentre IndiCleft Task Force project of the Indian Council of Medical Research; founder of India’s first Cleft and Craniofacial Orthodontic fellowship at AIIMS; and an advisor to the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK), Government of India.