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Dentist or dental specialist

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Please enter your Dental Council Person ID/registration number

Proposed Infection prevention and control practice standard

Q5

Do you agree/disagree with the proposed Infection Prevention and Control Practice Standard?

Disagree. Please detail why::

There is one thing to have an exceptionally well written document outlining what clinics and the team are required to do and it is quite another thing to see if the standards are being carried out and followed. For example, if no one stops at a red light on the street, what is the purpose to have all the discussion etc about red lights and traffic rules when there is no audit to verify compliance.

Q6

Does any element of the proposed Infection Prevention and Control Practice Standard require clarification or further guidance?

Yes. Please specify::

The protocol must have a Compliance Officer who has a template to complete and record compliance of the standards.

Q7

Do you have any further comments on the proposed Infection Prevention and Control practice standard?

Yes. Please specify::

For example, I have noted that most dental practices do not autoclave their ultrasonic scalers and merely wipe them down. This is because having multiple ultrasonic scalers is a huge investment. The handpiece of a PIEZON scaler has a lumen that must be opened, washed and sterilized by autoclaving. This is not done and so instruments are being used by a simple wipe down. This has to change because the busiest room in a dental practice is the Hygienist room.

Q8

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