Daily duties - Surgery 1

Opening (Morning) duties

Power up the surgery

- * Open door (was it secure?)
- * Switch on lights (were they turned off?)
- * Turn isolation switch on
- * Turn dental chair switch on

:), GET YOUR SURGERY TO SMELL NICE. GET SOME MUSIC ON. 5 senses :)'

Is your surgery clean?

- * Assess floors and work-tops, dust on xray and dental light framework.
- * Are your clinical & admin waste bins empty?

* Assess clinical areas - dental light handles, spittoon, suction console, hand-piece console, x-ray machine, x-ray switch. Do you have a clinic now?

* Go to basement & turn on compressor.

Get ready for the day.

ONCE THE CLINIC STARTS PLEASE SWITCH OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE.

- * Switch on your PC and login to PEARL & Skype.
- * Get a copy of your day list.
- * Collect your patients' cards and dentist's daybook from Receptionist.
- * familiarise yourself with the cases coming in and what they are having done.
- * Make sure you have all your lab work for the day.
- * Make sure you have enough instruments for your (morning / afternoon) session.
- * Good idea: Match tray for each patient and set up each tray as such. Not always possible.
- * AOB

Ongoing (daily) duties

Please focus on your surgery as your main responsibility.

Always be aware of, and watch the procedure your dentist is carrying out. Watch & Listen. DO NOT GET DISTRACTED BY COLLEAGUES COMING IN OR VIEWS OUTSIDE THE WINDOW.

* Immediately the dentist finishes with the pt, mouthwash etc., remove bib & goggles.

- * Remove instrument tray. SHARPS 1st. Instruments, clinical waste.
- * Dental impressions rinsed, disinfected, bagged. Labels attached & off to reception ! (Dentist to fill lab docket)

* Dental xrays should be processed pronto, rinsed & given to the dentist. Who will then observe for diagnosis and mount on hanger. Pls write up an envelope for the x-rays.

* All x-rays should be placed in filled envelopes and married to patient's records.

Closing (Evening) duties

- * The surgery has to be powered down and closed. It has to be made safe, secure & ready for the next clinic.
- * All instruments should be sterilised, pouched and stored. Oil all hand-pieces.
- * Clinical notes should be handed back to reception. Dental impressions same.
- * Please clear all work-tops to make surgery clutter-free. Put all dental materials away in appropriate places.
- * Flush suction system (wide and narrow tubes and spittoon) with solution. Raise dental chair up (position2).
- The dental stools and foot pedal should be placed on the dental chair (Dr Towo only to lift the stools)
- * Wipe all surfaces: Spittoon, suction & hand-piece consoles, work surfaces and sinks.
- * Remove Clinical & admin waste & remove to basement.
- * The floor should be swept then mopped and allowed to dry.
- * Switch off the compressor pressure switch and empty the water bottle.
- * Flush the water lines with the necessary solutions to remove biofilm.
- * PC's: Save and close programs and shut down PC's. Switch off isolation switch and turn off light.
- * Remove latch and lock surgery door.
- * Switch off the compressor in the basement







1. Surgery Water lines Suction filters Instrument drawers Emergency drugs Oxygen Local rules De-clutter Stock invoice file Stock - every Tuesday Lab book Waste bins Waste collection dates Stationery Staffing dates for next month Day book filled and reconciled regularly. X-ray audits Surgery cleaning audit