

1 **OSHA & INFECTION CONTROL UPDATE**

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2 **LOOK BACK – LAST YEAR DID YOU.....**

- Have accidents or exposures?
- Start using any new technology?
- Have any staff changes?
- Move or remodel the office?
- Update your safety policies?
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3 **TOP 5 SAFETY GOALS**

- Have a plan
 - Written Safety Program
- Assign a person
 - Safety Manager
- Identify the enemy
 - Recognize & Understand Risks
- Keep everyone safe
 - Implement Standard Precautions
- Plan B
 - Plan for exceptions and accidents

4 **THE RULES**

- CDC Recommendations
 - Based on research
 - Set standards, not "laws"
- OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health Administration
 - Based on CDC recs
 - Worker safety
 - Rules are laws
- State Board laws
 - Include CDC & OSHA & ADA standards
- Civil & Health Dept.... Laws
- Competition, marketing, reputation

5 **UPDATE & EDIT YOUR IC PLAN**

- Injury & Illness Prevention Program
 - OSHA manual
- Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) = written step-by-step plans
- Location? Training?

- Must be specific & accurate
 - Surface disinfection
 - Hand hygiene
 - Instrument processing
 - Dental waterlines

6 **2016 CDC RECOMMENDATIONS**

<https://www.cdc.gov/OralHealth/infectioncontrol/guidelines/index.htm>

Checklists!

To be used along with 2003 Infection Control Recommendations

7 **NEW OSHA CHEMICAL CLASSIFICATIONS**

WWW.OSHA.GOV

- A: Health risks
- B: Chemical risks
- MSDS = SDS, now 16 sections, in specific format
- New labels: must have:
 - Name of product
 - Single word (warning or danger)
 - Statement of hazard

8 **UN'S GLOBALLY HARMONIZED SYSTEM HAZARD WARNING PICTOGRAMS**

9 **2 TOP SAFETY GOALS**

- Written Safety Program
 - OSHA manual – personalize & update it
 - Enforce it
 - California IC laws
 - CDC recommendations
 - Instructions for use, operation manuals...
- Safety Manager
 - Qualified, trained, empowered, recognized leader
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10 **CHAIN OF INFECTION**

11 **BREAKING THE CHAIN**

12 **INFECTION TRANSMISSION ROUTES**

- Percutaneous exposure
 - Open tissue, lesions, injury, dental care (pt.)
- Mucosal, ocular tissue exposure
 - Absorption
 - Injury (fragile)
- Direct skin contact with source

- Indirect skin contact with contaminated item, surface
 - Instruments, counters, waste, lab case
- Ingestion
- Inhalation – aerosols, droplets

13 **STANDARD PRECAUTIONS**
MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR ALL PATIENTS

- Hand hygiene
- PPE
- Respiratory hygiene / cough etiquette
- Sharps safety
- Safe injections
- Instrument, device sterilization
- Environmental asepsis cleaning, disinfection, barriers

Written protocol shall be developed, maintained, and periodically updated for proper instrument processing, operatory cleanliness, and management of injuries.

14 **STANDARD PRECAUTIONS**

- Proven effective for controlling
 - Bloodborne diseases
 - Contact diseases
 - Droplet diseases
- Not effective for airborne diseases

15 **BLOODBORNE DISEASES**

- Acute:
 - Symptomatic / asymptomatic
- Chronic: antibodies: ineffective
 - HBV: highly infective, → cirrhosis, liver failure, cancer, death. Vaccine & antiviral meds
 - HCV: less infective, often asymptomatic (20-30 years), undiagnosed → cirrhosis, liver failure, cancer, death. No vaccine, but antiviral meds,
 - HIV: variable infectivity, → CD4 cell destruction immunosuppression, cancer, death. No vaccine but antiretroviral meds (ART).

16 **MOST LIKELY DENTAL EXPOSURES**

- Percutaneous
 - Needles
 - Burs
 - Instruments, files
- Compromised skin
- Mucosal exposure
- HBV = efficiently transmitted directly & indirectly (survives on surfaces – 7 days)

17 **RISK OF INFECTION AFTER NEEDLESTICK**

- 1 Source
- HBV
- HCV
- HIV

2 Risk

6.0-30.0%

1.8%

0.3%

18 **VIRAL HEPATITIS**

- Infection with \geq viruses that attack liver
- Most common in U.S.: Hepatitis A, B, C
- Hepatitis A
 - Fecal–oral: spread by food & water contaminated with feces
 - Lasts weeks to months, not chronic
 - Usually resolves spontaneously
 - Vaccine is available
- Other types: hepatitis D, E, G, & Transfusion Transmitted Virus (TTV)

19 **HEPATITIS B**

1 1980 - 2013

2 Incidence declined since 1991
(infant vaccinations)

3 2015 CDC Report

- 4 • At least 21% increase in acute HBV cases
 - Due to injected drug use
 - Grossly under-reported

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- Chronic cases also under-reported
 - 850,000 – 2.2 mil cases???

20 **HBV BOOSTERS & TREATMENT**

Boosters?

- Vaccine gives immunologic memory \geq 23 years
 - No boosters formally recommended
- Boosters may be needed sooner for immunocompromised pts & hemodialysis pts.
- Get tested. Know your status!

Treatment:

- If exposed, TX = booster vaccine, maybe HBIG
- Vaccine MUST be offered, even to pre-vaccinated workers. Best within 24 hrs.)
- Antiviral drugs - IMPROVED

21 **HEPATITIS C (HCV)**

- Most common chronic bloodborne infection in U.S.
- 2.7 – 3.9 million Americans have chronic HCV
 - 4 X more than either HBV or HIV
- Most chronic HCV carriers are baby boomers
 - Born 1946 – 1964
 - ~75% = unaware of infection

22 **HEPATITIS C (HCV)**

- Some people clear infection
 - 85% develop chronic HCV
 - Can result in chronic liver disease, cirrhosis, liver cancer, death
 - Subclinical, asymptomatic 10 – 20 years
 - Some types of HCV can be cured
 - No vaccine
- HCV-related oral ulcerative lesions →

23 **TODAY'S TESTING REC'S**

- Test all high risk groups
- 1 time test for all baby boomers regardless of risk
 - 60% of DDS's = born 1945 – 1965
- New Rapid (40 min.) antibody tests
 - Venipuncture, finger-stick (less reliable)
 - OraQuick
 - Detect past or present HCV infection
 - Must be followed up with nucleic acid test (NAT) for viral RNA

24 **WHY SHOULD YOU GET TESTED FOR HEPATITIS C (HCV) ?**

- Antiviral drugs:
 - Eliminate virus or lower viral load
 - May reduce complications & progression
- Some types of HCV can be cured

25 **INSECT-BORNE DISEASES**

- Malaria, Dengue, Zika, Yellow fever, Lyme, West Nile, chikungunya
- Primarily vector transmitted
- Treat as bloodborne disease

26 **HIV UPDATE**

- 34 years since CDC first identified HIV
- NO cases of patient to dental worker HIV transmission
- No vaccine, but vital antiretroviral meds cut transmission to partners by 96%
- 20% of infected = unaware of status
- Early TX saves lives!
- Education is the key!
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27 **HIV / AIDS - CURRENT STRATEGIES**

- Rapid HIV type 1 + 2 Test: OraQuick:
 - Mouth swab or blood test
 - 99% accurate, 1 min. result
 - For source person testing or gen. Screening
 - Pre-arrange with Occupational Health M. D.

28 **SAFE INJECTIONS**29 **SAFE RE-CAPPING**

- Only recap needles using:
 - Scoop technique or:
 - Mechanical devices designed to
 - hold needle sheath
 - eliminate need for 2 handed capping
- §1005 (b) (9)
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30 **SHARPS & WASTE**

- Follow OSHA rules
- Dispose of all sharp items in puncture resistant containers
- Dispose of pharmaceutical waste as per EPA
- Dispose of contaminated solid waste as per EPA

31 **POST EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS**

- Exposure packet
 - Phone numbers, forms, driving directions, payment arrangements
- Direct MD re: testing, disclosure, include HCV!
- Rapid HIV, HCV testing
- Response windows for maximum effect:
 - HIV - ART – 2 hours
 - HBV – 24 hours
 - HCV – 24 hours
- PEP follow-up: after exposure test 3-6 weeks, 3-6 months, 9 months
- Counseling
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32 **ARE YOU SET UP?**33 **4 SAFETY GOALS**

- Recognize & Understand Risks
- Vaccines
 - Educate staff (CDC.gov)
- Sharps safety
 - Handling & waste
- PEP
 - Exposure incident package
 - Records
 - Follow-up
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34 **HAND HYGIENE**

- Hand hygiene is the single most important factor in transmission of disease
- 88% of dis. Trans. Is by hand contact
- 'Resident' skin flora is permanent (IN skin)
- 'Transient' flora is temporary (ON skin)

35 **HOW LONG SHOULD YOU LATHER FOR FIRST & LAST WASH OF THE DAY?**

- A. 20 seconds
- B. 40 seconds
- C. 5 minutes
- D. 1-2 minutes

36 **HOW LONG SHOULD YOU LATHER WHILE WASHING REPEATEDLY DURING DAY?**

- A. 1 minute
- B. 15 seconds
- C. 20 seconds
- D. 30 seconds

37 **SOAP DISPENSER CONTAMINATION**

- Microbial contamination of soap linked to infections & outbreaks in hospitals
- 25% of refillable containers had bacteria
- 16% had coliforms
- Some bacteria remains on hands after washing
- No bacteria found in sealed (1 use) dispensers

38 **MOST RECOMMENDED:
COMBINED PROTOCOL**

- 1 Plain soap – routine handwashing
- 3 Antimicrobial / alcohol hand rub on unsoiled hands

39 **HOW LONG SHOULD THE ALCOHOL SANITIZER STAY WET ON YOUR HANDS?**

- 2 5 seconds
- 8 seconds
- 15 seconds
- 20 seconds

40 **WATERLESS HAND-RUB SAFETY**

- Should have ethanol, not isopropyl alcohol
 - Less drying to skin
 - More effective vs. Viruses
- Must have enough emollients for heavy clinical use
- FDA cleared for medical use
 - "Safe and effective"

41 **HAND ASEPSIS: DID YOU KNOW...**

- Inflamed, irritated skin retains more bacteria, (handwashing = less effective)

42 **1 SAFETY GOAL**

- Hand Hygiene
 - Calibrate staff: hand hygiene protocol
 - Technique
 - Hand care rules
 - Fingernails
 - Jewelry
 - Supplies & set-up
 - Products
 - Facility
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43 **SKIN EXPOSURES**

- Non-intact skin may allow pathogens, irritants, allergens to enter
- Existing cuts / openings
- Dry, cracked skin

44 **HYPERSENSITIVITY / ALLERGY**

- Exaggerated immune response to an "enemy"
- Results in tissue destruction
- 4 types

45 **DERMATITIS VS. ALLERGIES**

- 30% of HCW's suffer
- Mostly irritant contact dermatitis
- Caused by
 - Detergents & water
 - Occlusive gloves (proteins, chemicals)
- Allergies are rare
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46 **CONFUSING SYMPTOMS**

- Rash, welts,
- Urticaria (hives)
- Angioedema
- Puritis
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47 **GET A DIAGNOSIS!**48 **HAND HYGIENE**

- Why do we wash / sanitize every glove change?

- Gloves fail
- Organisms grow under gloves, doubling every 12 min.

49 **COMMON MISTAKES****(THAT HARBOR ORGANISMS & MAY DAMAGE GLOVES)**

- False nails, Nail polish & applications
- Un-manicured nails
- Jewelry
- Petroleum-based products
- Bar soap

50 **MRSA****MULTI-DRUG RESISTANT STAPH. AUREUS**

- Staph = common in flora of skin, nose, throat
- MRSA colonizes 1/3 of pop.
 - 64% more likely to die than non-colonized
 - Usually non or mildly infective
 - Unless enters bloodstream
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51 **RESISTANT SKIN INFECTIONS....
WHAT SHOULD YOU LOOK FOR?**52 **MRSA ENTERS OPEN SKIN.
PIMPLES, BOILS, LESIONS; MAY LEAD TO PNEUMONIA, SEVERE SKIN, BONE,
BLOODSTREAM INFECTIONS, SEPTIC ARTHRITIS, ENDOCARDITIS, DEEP ABSCESSSES,
TOXIC SHOCK**53 **MRSA DEFEATS HOST DEFENSES**

Get a lab diagnosis early

54 **TATTOO, PIERCING RISKS**

- Skin not cleaned
- Needle not clean / sterile
- Ink "double-dipped"
- Unhealed tattoo, piercing = portal of transmission / exposure

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Protect skin openings

Watch for symptoms

Clean environmental surfaces

56 **SHE RUBBED HER EYE**

- Ocular herpes is usually unilateral
- May migrate up nerve from oral infection.
- Recurs, leading to blindness
- 90% of U.S. adults carry herpes

- Neonates contract type 2 at birth

57 **OCULAR HERPES**

58 **WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT EYEWASH STATIONS?**

- Location: within 15' or 10 seconds
- No hot water
- How to activate
- Eyewashes are flushed weekly
- When to use and when NOT to use eyewash stations
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59 **COMPUTER VISION SYNDROME**

- 70% of adults suffer digital eye strain
- Artificial blue light increases cataracts & macular degeneration
- Gunnar lenses filter blue light
- Crystalline: 10%
- Amber: 65%
- Outdoor: UVA, UVB

60 **GLOVES**

- How do they fit?
- Are you allergic or sensitive?
 - Latex?
 - Accelerators?
 - Thiuram
 - Carbamate
- Do you trust your gloves?
- 4% may leak
 - Buy quality
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61 **HOW LONG DO GLOVES LAST?**

- 2
- No exact data
 - Change per patient & when compromised
 - No longer than 1 hour
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62 **2016 FDA BAN ON POWDERED GLOVES**

- Rule applies to:
 - All glove types
 - Exam & surgical gloves
 - Absorbable powder for lubricating surgical gloves
- Powder risks:
 - Increased aerosolized allergens (with latex gloves)
 - Severe airway inflammation

- Surgical & wound inflammation & post-surgical adhesions

63 **RESPECT GLOVE LIMITS**
WHAT DESTROYS GLOVES?

64 **WHAT KILLS GLOVES?**

- Soap
- Water
- Oils – all types
 - Petroleum
 - Emollients in products
 - Make-up
- Sweat, dental materials
- Stretching, donning, removing
- Use!!!-

CDC MMWR 2003

65 **1 SAFETY GOAL**

- PPE: Gloves
 - Select for fit, reliability
 - Consider allergies
 - Know limits!
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66 **AEROSOL-TRANSMITTED-DISEASES (ATD)**

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- Inhalation of suspended particles
 - Small fluid droplets dry in nano-seconds, float
 - Particles remain indefinitely
 - Require special building design & PPE for safety
 - ATD patients must be screened and referred

67 **AIRBORNE DISEASES**

- Measles, mumps
- Varicella (including disseminated zoster) ‡
- Tuberculosis ‡£ , Flu
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‡ requires >1 precaution £ See CDC TB Guidelines

68 **SCREENING FOR ACTIVE CASES**
LOOK FOR SYMPTOMS

- Goals = reduce transmission by:

- Early detection @ check-in
- Prompt isolation
- Implement respiratory hygiene / cough etiquette
- Defer elective TX
- Refer emergency / acute cases
 - For dental emergencies
 - For medical care
- Implement appropriate precautions

69 **TODAY'S H3N2 INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC**

- Flu season = usually Oct. to May (early peak?)
- 42 deaths this season
- Children, elderly & pregnant women = highest risk
- Healthy getting seriously ill
- LLU seeing 60 more pts. / day than usual
- H3N2 = most virulent, other strains also seen
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70 **LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY FLU TENTS**

- Hospitals overflowing, setting up tents
- Canceling surgeries to handle crisis
- Flu vaccine ~ 30% effective, but it helps!

71 **FIND THE 1 INCORRECT SIGN OF INFLUENZA**

- A. Abrupt onset
- B. Extreme fatigue
- C. Body aches
- D. Subnormal temp.
- E. Fever

72 **INFLUENZA SIGNS & SYMPTOMS**

- Fever & chills – sudden onset
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Intense body aches, skin sensitivity
- Headache
- Diarrhea, vomiting

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74 **MEASLES – STILL KILLING KIDS**

- Leading cause of death in children (worldwide)
- 10-12 day incubation
- High fever (1 wk), runny nose, cough, white spots in mouth: precede rash

75 **VIOLENT “PAROXYSMS”**

- Uncontrollable “100 day cough”

- Breaks ribs, causes vomiting, urination....
- Etiology: bacterium *Bordetella pertussis*
- Strips cilia, mucus stagnates, airways = raw, sensitive to touch, air, water...
- Confused with cold, symptoms build
- light fever

76 **SCARLET FEVER (SCARLATINA)**

- Caused by Gp A Streptococcus pyogenes (strep throat)
- Mostly children 5 – 15
- Antibiotics
- Untreated: may cause serious illness, rheumatic fever, kidney damage
- # of cases & deaths decreased since early 1900's
- Recent increase in cases. Cause unknown
- East Asia, England - @ 50 year high
- Droplet & contact transmission

77 **SCARLET FEVER**

- Red rash: looks like sunburn, feels like sandpaper
 - Begins on face, neck, spreads everywhere
 - Redness blanches
 - Later skin peels

78 **SCARLET FEVER**

- Red lines at skin folds
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79 **SCARLET FEVER**

- Flushed face, pale ring around mouth

80 **SCARLET FEVER**

Strawberry tongue or coated

81 **SCARLET FEVER**

- Fever \geq 101 degrees
- Lymphadenopathy
- Difficulty swallowing
- Nausea, vomiting
- Headache

82 **MAKE SURE YOU ARE PROTECTED!**

- 1 • HBV
- Influenza
- Measles
- Mumps
- Rubella
- Varicella-Zoster
- Pertussis

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- www.CDC.gov: new adult vaccine recs
- OSHA policies:
 - New hires & employees

- 2 • Tetanus
- Polio
- Pneumonia
- Meningitis
- HPV

83 **SEATING**

- Automatic seat tilt:
 - Better circulation to legs
 - < back strain
 - Get close to patient
- Back support
 - Up & down
 - In & out
 - < back strain
 - Better posture
- 5 Casters
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84 **TUBERCULOSIS POLICY**

- MDR TB = worldwide risk
- Develop TB program appropriate to risk
- Tuberculin skin test (TST) when hired & per risk
- Ask all pts:
 - History of TB?
 - Symptoms of TB?

85 **SCREEN FOR ACTIVE TB:**

- Productive cough (> 3 weeks)
 - Bloody sputum
- Night sweats
- Fatigue
- Malaise
- Fever
- Unexplained weight loss
- If yes: medical referral, (reportable)

86 **MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS**

- Mtb infection is NOT synonymous with ACTIVE TB!
- Positive skin test does NOT mean ACTIVE TB!

87 88 **HAVE YOU BEEN VACCINATED AGAINST TB?:**

- TB blood tests (interferon-gamma release assays or IGRAs), unlike the TB skin test are not affected by prior BCG vaccination
- Symptom tests
- ATD screening form
- Chest X-ray?

89 **TB, FLU & OTHER ATD'S
ASK: DO YOU HAVE....**1 • TB

- Fever, cough....
- Flu
 - Fever?
 - Body aches?
 - Runny nose?
 - Sore throat?
 - Headache?
 - Nausea?
 - Vomiting or diarrhea?

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If yes, re-appoint, refer

2 • Pertussis, measles, mumps, rubella, chicken pox, meningitis

- Fever, respiratory symptoms +
- Severe coughing spasms
- Painful, swollen glands
- Skin rash, blisters
- Stiff neck, mental changes

90 **CHRONIC RESPIRATORY DISEASES
(NOT ATD'S, NO FEVER)**

- Asthma
- Allergies
- Chronic upper airway cough syndrome "postnasal drip"
- Gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Emphysema
- Bronchitis
- Dry cough from ACE inhibitors

91 **COVER YOUR COUGH SUPPLIES**92 **RESPIRATORY HYGIENE, COUGH ETIQUETTE
POST SIGNS**

- Cover your cough (lists symptoms patients should report to staff)

- <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/pdf/Infdis/RespiratoryPoster.pdf>
- Cover your cough instructions and fliers in several languages
- <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/covercough.htm>

93 **DENTAL WORKER HEALTH**

- Symptomatic workers must be evaluated promptly
- No work until:
 - MD rules out ATD or
 - Worker is on therapy & is noninfectious

94 **5 SAFETY GOALS**

- Screen patients for active ATD's
 - Take temperatures
 - Know symptoms
- Notify patients & staff about ATD policy
- TB policy: test staff
- Respiratory hygiene, cough etiquette
- Vaccines
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95 **PPE: SURGICAL MASKS**

- Designed to protect patient from:
 - Oral, nasal, respiratory tract flora
 - (Breathing, speaking 1-3 cfu / min)
- Masks are bi-directional barriers

96 **MASKS "SINGLE-USE, DISPOSABLE"**
CHANGE BETWEEN PATIENTS OR SOONER §1005 (B) (4)

97 **FILTRATION**

98 **IDENTIFY THE MASK YOU USE**

- ASTM level 1
- ASTM level 2
- ASTM level 3
- Don't know

99 **ASTM LEVELS**

100 **KNOW MASK LIMITS**

- Mask degrades from;
 - Perspiration
 - Talking
 - Sneezing
 - Length of time mask is worn
 - Dust, spray
- Shield may lengthen use-life
- Position mask to "stand out" from face

- 20 min - 1 hour!
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101 **LASER RESPIRATORY PROTECTION**

- N95 / N100 respirators
- Or: full face shield & level 3 mask
- Facial fit = vital
- Fluid resistance
- Suction / filtration placed 1" from site
- Eye protection

102 **CLINIC ATTIRE**

- Protective attire
- Comply with Cal/OSHA regs
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103 **2 SAFETY GOALS**

- PPE: Masks
 - Select appropriate ASTM levels
 - Use correctly
 - Avoid cross-contamination
 - Know limits!
- PPE = outer garment
- Cal/OSHA rules
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104 **COVER OR REMOVE EXTRA ITEMS**

105 **SIMPLIFY SURFACES**

Environmental disinfection = cardinal feature in dentistry

106 **LOAD TRAYS OUTSIDE OPERATORY**

107 **WHAT IS YOUR PROTOCOL FOR RETRIEVING ITEMS DURING PROCEDURES?**

108 **BARRIERS PREVENT CONTAMINATION OF HARD-TO-CLEAN SURFACES**

109 **USE FDA CLEARED MEDICAL GRADE BARRIERS
(TESTED FOR VIRAL & BACTERIAL PENETRATION)**

110 **DISINFECT WHEN CHANGE BARRIERS?**

111 **INTERMEDIATE LEVEL DISINFECTANTS KILL ALL BELOW:**

- Mycobacteria - *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*
 - Nonlipid or small viruses (Non enveloped) - *Polio virus, enteroviruses*
 - Fungi - *Trichophyton spp.*
- (Low level hospital disinfectants kill only):
- Vegetative bacteria - *Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Staphylococcus aureus*

- Lipid (enveloped) or medium-sized viruses - *Herpes simplex virus, hepatitis A, B & C virus, HIV, Ebola* (CDC)
- 112 **FOLLOW LABEL DIRECTIONS**
- Clean before disinfecting
 - Proteins neutralize disinfectants
 - Wear Utility gloves
- 113 **ARE YOU CLEANING BEFORE DISINFECTING???**
- It depends on technique
And product selection
- 114 **EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION**
- 115 **WHAT IS THE ACTIVE INGREDIENT?
WHICH PRODUCTS CLEAN?**
- 116 **CLEAN BEFORE DISINFECTING**
- 117 **LEAVE FOR STATED TIME**
- 118 **DENTAL LAB ASEPSIS**
- Splash shields
 - Fresh pumice
 - Sterilized / new rag-wheels for EACH pt.
 - Sterilize / discard equipment used on contaminated dental devices
 - Clean & disinfect lab cases with intermediate-level disinfectant & rinse B4 placement in pt.
- 119 **1 SAFETY GOAL**
- Surface asepsis
 - Select product
 - Follow directions
 - Clean & disinfect
 - Barriers
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- 120 **INSTRUMENT PROCESSING:
HIGHEST LEVEL OF ASEPSIS**
- 121 **INSTRUMENT PROCESSING
"TRAFFIC FLOW"**
- 122 **SAFE TRANSPORT?**
- 123 **CASSETTES, TUBS, TRAYS WITH LIDS**
- 124 **PRE-CLEANING / HOLDING**
- 125 **ENZYME PREVENTS DEBRIS ADHERENCE**

126 **ULTRASONIC CLEANING
ALLOW BUBBLES TO WORK**

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128 **INSTRUMENT WASHERS**

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- More efficient:
 - Space management
 - Instrument cleaning
 - Instrument management
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129 **COMMON CLEANING ERRORS**

- 1 Ultrasonic
- 2 • Insufficient time
 - Detergent concentration
 - Ineffective cavitation
 - Inappropriate temperature
 - Overloading
- 3 Washer-Disinfector
- 4 • Wrong cycle ("rinse-hold")
 - Inadequate water spray: spray impingement
 - Clogged spray arms
 - Pump/line clog or malfunction
 - Overloading

130 **ONLY SCRUB IF DEBRIS REMAINS AFTER CLEANING....**

131 **IF YOU DON'T CLEAN IT**

- You can't disinfect it
- You can't sterilize it

132 **DENTAL ADVISOR STUDY**

J. A. MOLINARI, P. NELSON (DENTAL ADVISOR, 2012)

- ~10% of used & sterilized metal tips showed microbial contamination
- Visual debris was found

133 **1 TOP SAFETY GOAL**

- Use single-use items correctly
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134 **CDC & CAL. REG.**

- Must heat sterilize ALL removable handpieces, even slow speeds
 - *electric handpieces: housing / sleeves = sterilizable, but micromotors may not be!

135 **PAPER UP? OR, PAPER DOWN?**

136 **VACUUM STERILIZER**

- Single use water
- Pre & post vacuum
- Dry to dry time: 35-38 min.
- Eliminates rust

137 **CASSETTES MUST BE WRAPPED UNLESS USED IMMEDIATELY**138 **HOW FAST DO YOU NEED TO USE A FLASH-STERILIZED INSTRUMENT?**139 **STERILIZER MONITORING**

- Old: Indicators: per package
 - Heat
- New: Class 5 indicators: per load / package
 - Time, temperature, pressure
- Biological Monitors: weekly
 - Non - pathogenic spores
- Keep logs & written reports

140 **2 STERILIZATION LOGS**

- 1: Log of each cycle for each sterilizer
 - Class 5 Indicator strip results
 - Sterilizer
 - Date
 - Indicator pass/fail
 - Initial
 - Machine print-out
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- 2: Biological test results

141 **CHEMICAL INDICATORS****CLASS 5****CLASS 4**142 **ARE YOU LABELING STERILIZATION PACKAGES?**

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. Only surgical packages
- D. Only implantable devices
- E.
- E.

* Sharpee industrial permanent markers withstand 500 degrees

143 **WHY LABEL PACKAGES?**

- A. To re-sterilize after 3 months
- B. To identify date of sterilization in case of (+) growth spore test
- C. To identify person sterilizing items

144 **WHERE DO YOU LABEL?**

145 **5 TOP SAFETY GOALS**

- Organize sterilization pathway
- Instrument cassettes
- Instrument washer
- Monitor cleaning
- Use class V indicators
- Keep logs
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146 **DUWL – RELATED DEATH (2011)
LANCET**

- 82-yr old Italian Woman
- Legionnaires' dis (*L. pneumophila*)
- Proven from dentist's waterlines
- No other exposures
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147 **2015 MYCOBACTERIUM ABSCESSUS
INFECTIONS - GEORGIA**

- 9 pediatric infections confirmed after pulpotomies
- All pts were immunocompetent
- No deaths; hospitalizations, IV antibiotics, surgeries
- Dept. of Health notified Atlanta Dentists:
 - Follow DUWL disinfection protocol
 - Meet DUWL potable & surgical standards
 - Monitor DUWL
 - Promptly report suspected outbreaks

148 **2016 MYCOBACTERIUM ABSCESSUS
INFECTIONS - CALIFORNIA**

- 30 pediatric infections confirmed after pulpotomies, children hospitalized
 - Symptoms start 15 – 85 days after TX.
 - TX = long term hospitalization, IV antibiotics
 - >500 patients notified
 - May – Sept, 2016, Children's Dental Clinic, OC
- *M. abscessus* = waterborne
- Dentist ordered to stop using water (9/15/16)
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149 **2016 MYCOBACTERIUM ABSCESSUS
INFECTIONS - CALIFORNIA**

- Pulpotomies must include pulp area "sterilization"
- And/or sterile standard
- Health Dept. ordered office to cease use of & replace on-site water system
- All DUWL must be tested

- www.ochealthinfo.com/dentaloutbreak

150 **2 STANDARDS FOR WATER SAFETY**

- Sterile - for surgery, (cutting bone, normally sterile tissue)
 - 0 CFU/mL of heterotrophic water bacteria
 - CDC special update, OSAP, Dental Board law
- Potable - for non- surgical procedures -
 - 500 CFU/mL of heterotrophic water bacteria (meets EPA safe drinking water standards)
 - CDC, OSAP, EPA, Dental Board

151 **2 STANDARDS FOR DENTAL TREATMENT WATER**

- Surgical Standard: USP sterile water & sterile delivery system
 - Bulb or other syringe
 - Peristaltic pump, sterile lines
 - Aqua-Sept
- Non-surgical dentistry: Potable (500 CFU/mL)
 - Chemical treatment
 - Reservoirs
 - Cartridges

152 **WHEN DOING SURGICAL PROCEDURES, DO YOU USE**

Sterile water & sterile separate delivery device?

153 **FOR POTABLE WATER YOUR OFFICE SHOULD:**

- Flush lines in AM & PM for 2 min./line
- Flush lines between patients for 20 sec.
- Purge lines weekly if using only water in bottles.
- Purge lines @ 1 – 2 months if using disinfecting product in dental water

154 **WATERLINE TREATMENT OPTIONS**

- Chemical "Shock" - removes biofilm
 - Sterilex, bleach
 - Caustic, may injure tissue. Rinse !
- Continuous chemical "maintenance" - prevents biofilm, keeps CFU's low.
 - DentaPure 1 /year (dry bottle at night)
 - BluTab (Silver ions) – ProEdge (keep bottle on)
 - ICX (Silver ions) – Adec
 - Team Vista - HuFriedy

155 **HOW DO YOU KNOW YOUR WATERLINES ARE SAFE?**

- Loma Linda University Waterline Testing
- ProEdge Waterline Testing

156 **TREAT, SHOCK, AND TEST ALL WATERLINES**

157 **4 TOP SAFETY GOALS**

- Insure sterile water for surgeries
- Insure potable standard for non-surgeries
- Control waterline contamination
- Monitor waterline safety
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158 **MEASURING RISK: DOSIMETERS**159 **X-RAY DOSIMETERS – FIXED EQUIPMENT**

- Dosimeters not required with mounted units, BUT:
- Must prove each employee has $\leq 10\%$ of 5 rems annual exposure.
- Use dosimeters periodically (1 year on, 2 years off...)
- Monitor with ANY new equipment
- Pregnant employees must wear dosimeters - entire pregnancy (as long as employer knows)

160 **X-RAY DOSIMETERS – PORTABLE EQUIPMENT**

- MUST wear dosimeters with portable x-ray systems
- Evaluate dosimeters monthly
- Records must be available to Dept. of Public Health
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161 **TOP (GENERAL) SAFETY GOALS**

- Written Safety Program
- Safety Manager
- Recognize & Understand Risks
- Implement Standard Precautions
- Plan for exceptions and accidents
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162 **TOP 12 SAFETY GOALS**

1. Written Safety Program
 - OSHA manual – personalize & update it
 - Enforce it
 - IC laws
 - Download CDC recommendations!
 - Instructions for use, operation manuals...
2. Safety Manager
3. Recognize & Understand Risks

163 **TOP 12 SAFETY GOALS**

4. Hand Hygiene
 - Calibrate staff
 - Technique

- Hand care rules
- Supplies & set-up
 - Products
 - Facility
- 5. Surface asepsis
 - Follow directions
 - Clean & disinfect
 - Barriers
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164 **TOP 12 SAFETY GOAL**

6. PPE – Use correctly & respect their limits
- Gloves
 - Select for fit, reliability
 - Change 20 min – 1 hr.
 - Masks
 - Select appropriate ASTM levels
 - Avoid cross-contamination
 - Change 20 min – 1 hr.
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165 **TOP 12 SAFETY GOALS**

7. Vaccines
- Educate staff (CDC.gov)
8. Sharps safety
- Handling & waste
9. Instrument sterilization
- Organize sterilization pathway
 - Instrument cassettes
 - Instrument washer
 - Monitor cleaning
 - Use class 5 indicators
 - Keep logs
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166 **TOP 12 SAFETY GOALS**

10. Dental waterline management
- Insure sterile water for surgeries
 - Insure potable standard for non-surgeries
 - Control waterline contamination
 - Monitor waterline safety
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167 **TOP 12 SAFETY GOALS**

11. Screen patients for active ATD's
 - Take temperatures
 - Know symptoms
- Notify patients & staff about ATD policy
- TB policy: test staff
- Respiratory hygiene, cough etiquette

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168 **TOP 12 SAFETY GOALS**

12. PEP "Plan B"
 - Exposure incident package
 - Records
 - Follow-up
 - Stay alert for extraordinary cases

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169 **IS THERE A CULTURE OF SAFETY WHERE YOU WORK?**

- Action list?
- Is your team know what you know?
- How do patients view your office?
- Make every patient visit the safest visit!

170 **WHAT YOU DO OVER & OVER**171 **TEAMWORK!**