

### Prosthodontic Protocol

- 1) Just as in a dental office or clinic, universal precautions must be adhered to. This includes wearing personal protective equipment. Gloves, masks, eye protection, and gowns must be used during patient treatment. ALL those providing treatment shall wear disposable gowns. Gloves, masks, and disposable gowns will be provided. All providers, including assistants are expected to bring their own eye protection.
- 2) The paper charts are NOT to be touched with gloved hands at any time.
- 3) Verify informed consent has been initialed.
- 4) Treatment partials
  - a) Limited to 6 anterior teeth or less (add a bicuspid for stability when necessary).
  - b) Need sufficient interocclusal space to accommodate the treatment partial denture.
  - c) Lab lead will inform the event chair when they can't accept any more lab cases.
  - d) When needed, the routing or dental triage lead can request a consult with the lab lead on complex cases.
- 5) All patients needing treatment partial dentures will be routed to the lab area for impressions AFTER they have had their panorex taken and prior to going to the oral surgery waiting/check in area.
- 6) Other lab services (denture repairs, addition of teeth, etc.)
  - a) Other lab services will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis - those that we can treat will be routed to the lab area.
  - b) When needed, the triage or routing lead can request a consult with the lab lead on individual cases.
- 7) New patients will be accepted in the lab up until 11 a.m. on Saturday or until the max number of lab orders have been placed – whichever comes FIRST.
- 8) Before impressions, review patient Triage Evaluation and Diagnosis, verifying teeth to be extracted and teeth to be replaced and clasped (if needed). Complete lab Rx form completely, including teeth to be extracted, replaced and clasped.
- 9) Translators are available. They are easily identifiable as they are wearing orange vests.
- 10) Alginate impression material, impression trays, bite wax/putty, supplies and materials are provided. Use your judgment on the materials that you need to use, as quantities are limited.
- 11) Disinfect impressions and bite registration in Ziploc bag with spray Cavicide and place in case pan for lab. Clearly mark the impression tray(s) and bag with the case pan number.
- 12) Complete patient registration form to indicate the service provided and treating dentist name. **At the time of impression**, the patient's record should have the type of partial indicated on it in the treatment area.
- 13) Please **PRINT** on the patient charts – DO NOT USE ABBREVIATIONS

- 14) Only **BLUE** pens should be used on patient charts – NO BLACK ink.
- 15) Patient will be provided with a “Lab Pick-Up” slip by the prosthetic placement coordinator. Write case pan number on pick-up slip.
- 16) Use your station cards for problems.  
**Yellow** – translator needed **Orange**  
– equipment concerns **Purple** –  
requesting a Nomad x-ray **White w/**  
red cross – EMT needed
- 17) The prosthetic placement coordinator will coordinate patients for impressions and final insert, communicate estimated day/time for insert appointment, coordinate patient flow with other areas. Remind patients that ALL partials must be picked up by 4:00 p.m. on Saturday – no other pick-up site or time will be available once the clinic closes on Saturday.
- 18) Upon completion of a case, all materials in case pan are to be returned to lab for final checkout. Do not discard any items. The lab will dispose of all items.
- 19) At insert appointment, provide patient with available appliance care materials (denture case, adhesive, cleaner, brush, post-insertion instruction sheet).
- 20) Consult with Prosthodontic Lead before proceeding with treatment of cases that do not follow the established protocol, and when needed.
- 21) DO NOT adjust chair height, ask dental equipment technician or department lead.

PLEASE BE FLEXIBLE and THANK YOU for participating today.