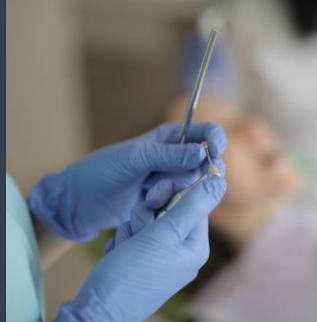


Sterilized and Spotless: Dental Burs

Dental burs are critical to provide care to patients, but they do come with specific reprocessing instructions. The FDA classifies burs as a Class II medical devices which means they carry a moderate risk with their use.

In order to keep your patients safe when using burs, reading and understanding the instructions for use are critical. Many burs specify they need to be sterilized before the first use or are actually single use. In fact, all diamond burs are considered single use.

Double check your bur reprocessing processes and have the instructions available for your staff!



Upcoming Events

[OSAP: TB Screening and Risk Assessment](#) | 04/03/24

[Ne ICAP Acute/ Outpatient Webinar](#) | 04/10/24

[OSAP: Medical Emergencies in Dentistry](#) | 04/17/24

[OSAP/ APIC: Importance of DUWL](#) | 04/25/24

March is a Month for Surveys!

ICAP Service Feedback

The NE ICAP, ASAP, and DHHS HAI AR program want to better support you and your infection control efforts to create a safe environment. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey to let us know how we are doing and how we can plan for future support.



[Facility Feedback Survey](#)

Infection Control Behaviors Survey

The Ne ICAP Program is currently conducting a survey to gather valuable insights into attitudes and behaviors related to infection control in the dental setting. Your response is instrumental in helping us gain an understanding of infection control practices.



[Dental Infection Control Behavior Survey](#)

March Featured Resource: CDC Update: Respiratory Viral Illness

On March 1, 2024, the CDC updated their guidance for the public on respiratory viral illnesses, including COVID-19, Influenza and RSV. [This guidance is not intended to be used in healthcare settings. Healthcare worker guidance has not changed and can be found on the \[CDC website\]\(#\).](#)

The updated guidance has the potential to impact your practice by allowing individuals to come out of isolation sooner, potentially visiting your office earlier after illness. Pre-appointment screening for confirmed illness and respiratory symptoms is an easy way to prevent the spread of respiratory illness in your office.



ICAP Newsworthy Notes

What's been going on at ICAP? We're so glad you asked!

- ICAP will be presenting a table clinic at the 2024 OSAP Annual Conference in May/ June. You can register to attend this infection control focused conference through OSAP at: <https://site.pheedloop.com/event/osapconference/home>
- ICAP continues to work with dental facilities in Nebraska to proactively review their infection control programs and policies to help them create a safer dental visit.
- Dental Resources that cover all infection control topics as well as information on where to listen to the podcast can be found on our website at: <https://icap.nebraskamed.com/facilities/dental/>



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