



Cosmetic Dentistry Specialising in **Natural Prosthetics**

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Laboratory Infection Control Policy

A high standard of infection control is of prime importance in this laboratory. It is essential of all who come into contact with our laboratory. Every member of staff will receive training in all aspects of infection control, including decontamination of impressions, appliances and equipment, this policy must be adhered to at all times. If there is any aspect that is not clear please as Gary Cowley or Paul Hillman.

1. Laboratory staff should be immunized against blood-borne viruses as identified by infection control risk assessment and in accordance with available industry guidance. Records of these immunizations should be retained.
2. The laboratory provides appropriate protective clothing, gloves, eye wear and masks that must be worn by technicians during all production procedures. Protective clothing worn in the laboratory must not be worn outside the premises.
3. Before donning gloves, hands must be washed using hot water with soap solution and/or disinfected with alcohol hand rub.
4. Impressions will be disinfected using Mikrozyd or similar. For patients identified to us as high risk infection cases, we will use a disinfection bath or a similar disinfecting tray for the specified time and at the specified concentration.
5. For infection control purposes, working areas will be kept uncluttered with surface area ad tools kept to a minimum. At the end of every session each area will be disinfected with ethanol based cleaner.
6. In the event of an injury, the wound should, if possible, be made/allows to bleed freely then washed thoroughly under running water, it should then be covered with a waterproof dressing. All incidents should be recorded in the accident book and immediately discussed with Gary Cowley or Paul Hillman to assess whether further action is needed.
7. All dental impressions not marked as disinfected must be rinsed until visibly clean and then disinfected using Miktozyd (or similar). Once this is done they need to be labelled as disinfected before being sent to the production area. All appliances returned to the Lab should also be disinfected and labelled accordingly.
8. Any Accidental spillages involving a potentially hazardous substance will need to be reported to Gary Cowley or Paul Hillman immediately.
9. All staff involved with clinical procedures must receive appropriate training in all aspects of infection control, including decontamination. This should be reviewed and recorded annually.
10. Eating/drinking and smoking is STRICTLY PROHIBITED in area of the lab that is a receiving, production or dispatch area of the lab.