DENTAL MYTHBUSTERS

Dental mythbuster 40: Caring for people with dementia in a dental practice

How people with dementia might experience dental care and what steps you can consider to make your practice more dementia-friendly

Dental mythbuster 39: Direct-to-consumer orthodontics

We clarify the quality of care we expect of providers of direct-to-consumer orthodontics treatment.

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Advice on managing medicines

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Advice about how complaints should be managed at a dental practice.

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Advice on safeguarding adults for dental practices

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Advice on children and young people safeguarding for dental practices.

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The importance of good leadership in a dental practice and how we inspect this.

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Advice on using lasers safely in dentistry

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Advice on sepsis care for dental surgeries.

Dental mythbuster 24: Medical resuscitation equipment for domiciliary dental care

Dental mythbuster 23: Consent to dental treatment

This mythbuster describes the importance of obtaining valid informed consent and what this involves.

Dental mythbuster 22: CCTV in dental practices

Advice on using CCTV in dental surgeries.

Dental mythbuster 21: Fire safety

This dental mythbuster gives advice about fire safety and what measures we would expect to see at registration and on inspection.

Dental mythbuster 20: Using language professionals and interpreters

This dental mythbuster gives advice about the Accessible Information Standard (AIS) and language interpreters.

Dental mythbuster 19: Staff recruitment

Advice about staff recruitment checks, including (DBS) checks.

Dental mythbuster 18: Decontamination in the dental treatment room

Advice on how to ensure equipment is decontaminated safely if this has to be carried out in the dental treatment room.

Dental mythbuster 17: Audit and improvement in primary dental services

Advice on the value of audits and what audits we would expect to see evidence of when we inspect.

Dental mythbuster 16: Business continuity plans in primary care dental services

Advice on business continuity plans.

Dental mythbuster 15: 24-hour retirement from NHS contract and CQC registration

Advice whether dentists need to take action over their CQC registration if they retire from their NHS contract for 24 hours.

Dental mythbuster 14: Safeguarding training (unpublished)

Dental mythbuster outlining the safeguarding training required by dental practice staff.

Dental mythbuster 13: Lone working in a dental practice setting

Advice on lone working to ensure dental staff are appropriately supported when treating patients.

Dental mythbuster 12: Validation of decontamination equipment

Dental mythbuster 11: Statutory notifications to CQC

Dental mythbuster 10: Safe and effective conscious sedation

The systems and process required to ensure conscious sedation is effective and safe.

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Advice on hand hygiene in a dental practice.

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Requirements for dental care records and why we might look at them.

Dental mythbuster 7: Use of safer sharps

Advice on handling sharps safely within a dental practice

Dental mythbuster 6: Storing Glucagon injection

Advice on the safe storage of Glucagon

Dental mythbuster 5: Legionella and dental waterline management

How to ensure the water supply, storage and distribution services comply with best practice.

Dental mythbuster 4: Drugs and equipment for a medical emergency

The essential and recommended drugs and equipment required to deal with a medical emergency in a dental practice.

Dental mythbuster 3: Dental radiography and X-rays

How dental practices can ensure they comply with standards and regulations in relation to the use of X-ray equipment.

Dental mythbuster 2: Keeping up to date for the dental practice team

The evidence and policies we would expect to show that dentists and the dental team are receiving appropriate training, supervision and appraisal.

Dental mythbuster 1: Use and disposal of dental amalgam

Advice on the safe use and disposal of dental amalgam.