

# INFECTION CONTROL REMINDERS

## DO

1. **Do** clean and disinfect floors, cabinets, sinks, etc. as required with an effective surface disinfectant.
2. **Do** discard all packing materials from potentially contaminated cases.
3. **Do** wear masks for all grinding and polishing procedures.
4. **Do** wear protective glasses.
5. **Do** use gloves or finger protectors if hands have nicks or cuts.
6. **Do** multiple washing of hands between cases.
7. **Do** wear clean fresh protective clothing.
8. **Do** ultrasonically clean instruments whenever possible.
9. **Do** sterilize potentially contaminated instruments whenever possible.
10. **Do** disinfect work trays between uses.
11. **Do** disinfect only those items that cannot be sterilized.
12. **Do** train personnel to think "cross contamination".
13. **Do** train personnel to think "disinfection and sterilization".
14. **Do** train personnel to think "legally".

## DON'T

1. **Don't** delegate duties to janitorial services without providing supervision.
2. **Don't** reuse questionable packing material.
3. **Don't** inhale contaminants.
4. **Don't** rub eyes.
5. **Don't** reuse contaminated gloves.
6. **Don't** reuse towels or use bar soaps.
7. **Don't** wear contaminated clothes.
8. **Don't** hand scrub instruments, especially without heavy gloves.
9. **Don't** use cold disinfectants for instruments that can be heat sterilized if a sterilizer is available.
10. **Don't** delegate to untrained personnel.
11. **Don't** use disinfectants too long without changing.
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