

BONUS ONLINE CONTENT

TABLE 3. Recommendations for Minimizing Exposure to COVID-19 in Dental Settings²⁰

Medical History Interview	Questions to Ask Patient	Recommendations
Prior to Appointment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have you traveled outside of the country or within a geographical area that has a high incidence of COVID-19 in the last 14 days? Have you been in close contact with anyone who has traveled outside the country or within a geographical area that has high incidences of COVID-19 in the last 14 days? Do you have a cold or any respiratory issues? Do you have a fever or have you had a fever within the last 14 days? Do you have a sore throat? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If "yes" to any one of these questions, postpone patient care Advise patient to seek medical attention (if he/she has not already done so) Instruct patient to reschedule when free from signs/symptoms of ailment
Upon Arrival	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same questions as above if not able to interview patient prior to the dental visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as above
During Appointment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the patient exhibits signs and symptoms during care (e.g., respiratory symptoms, cough, runny nose or feverish), clinicians should: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop patient care Advise patient to seek medical attention Instruct patient to reschedule when free from signs/ symptoms of ailment

TABLE 4. Personal Protective Equipment

Gloves

- Perform hand hygiene, then put on clean, non-sterile gloves prior to patient care. Change gloves if they become torn or heavily contaminated.

Remove and discard gloves when patient care is completed, and immediately perform hand hygiene.

Face Mask Protection²⁸

Level 1 masks provide a protection value of $\geq 95\%$ bacterial filtration efficiency (BFE) and particulate filtration efficiency (PFE); these are suitable for brief examinations, exposing radiographs and cleaning tasks.

Level 2 masks offer a moderate protection of $\geq 98\%$ BFE and PFE, and are preferable for procedures that involve a moderate level of aerosols, such as hand instrumentation or applying sealants.

Level 3 masks offer a high level of protection of $\geq 98\%$ BFE and PFE, and are used for procedures involving high levels of aerosols, such as ultrasonic scaling, surgical procedures and crown preparation.

Maximum filtration masks, such as an N95 particulate respirator, feature 99.9% PFE and are indicated when treating patients with airborne diseases.

Eye Protection

- Wear eye protection (e.g., safety glasses or a disposable face shield that covers the front and sides of the face) upon entry to the patient care area.
- Remove eye protection before leaving the patient care area.
- Reusable eye protection (e.g., safety glasses) must be cleaned and disinfected according to manufacturer's reprocessing instructions prior to reuse.
- Disposable eye protection should be discarded after use.
- Dental loupes must be cleaned and disinfected between each patient to avoid cross-contamination risks.²⁹

29. Zwicker DH, Price RB, Carr L, Li YH. Disinfection of dental loupes: a pilot study. *J Am Dent Assoc.* 2019;150:689-694.