

DN.6.1.5 Maintaining updated evidence-based disinfection and sterilization practices.

DN.6.1.6 Implementing the hospital infection control plan, policies and procedures as outlined in the “Infection Control” chapter of this manual.

DN.6.2 The infection control guidelines are strictly implemented.

Standard Intent:

For an infection prevention and control program to be effective, it must be comprehensive, encompassing both patient care and employee health. The guidelines of infection control in the dental department must be guided by a plan that identifies and addresses the infection issues that are epidemiologically important to the organization. In addition, it must be appropriate to the organization’s size and geographic location, services, and patients and includes systems to identify infections and to investigate outbreaks of infectious diseases (elements of the substandard DN.6.1.1 through DN.6.1.6). The implementation of the program should be monitored.

DN.7 Safety rules are applied in the dental laboratory.

DN.7.1 Fire detection and abatement equipment are available.

DN.7.2 Fire blankets are available.

DN.7.3 Cautionary signs are posted.

DN.7.4 A hooded exhaust is available in the casting area.

DN.7.5 Oxygen cylinders are safely stored.

DN.7.6 Fumes are safely evacuated.

DN.7.7 Eye wash station is available.

Standard Intent:

If dental laboratory is available in the hospital safety rules must be applicable such as:

- Fire detection and abatement equipment are available.
- Fire blankets are available.
- Cautionary signs are posted.
- A hooded exhaust is available in the casting area.
- Oxygen cylinders are safely stored.
- Fumes are safely evacuated.
- Eye wash station is available.