

# Dental Services (DN)

## Introduction

The standards included in this chapter represent the minimal standards for dental service delivery in a hospital-based dental unit. Dental care services need to be provided with strict hygiene and infection prevention measures. They represent a type of ambulatory care services that could exist as a part of a healthcare organization or as a stand-alone facility. In general, patients attending ambulatory care should receive care that is similar to the care provided in other departments.

The standards in this chapter address the following:

- Staff qualifications
- Patient and family education
- Patient assessment and care
- Documentation in medical records
- Patient education
- Infection prevention and control
- Safety in dental laboratory