DESCRIPTION

The Basic Guide to Infection Prevention and Control in Dentistry is a practical guide for all members of the dental team. It offers clear explanations of the key issues and concepts, an orientation of the evidence base and legal framework as well as providing a step-by-step guide to the safe running of a dental practice.

Chapters cover key topics, namely: communicable diseases; occupational health and immunisation; decontamination of dental equipment; surgery disinfection; sharp safe working; hand hygiene and barrier personal protection; dental unit waterlines, clinical waste management and pathology specimen handling.

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