Pierre Fauchard Academy continues to monitor COVID-19-related dental practice and regulatory activities and advocate for programs that support dentists. The ongoing experience of COVID-19 in our communities is creating enormous uncertainty. Sustaining your practices, concern about supply shortages, adjusting procedures to ensure safety precautions and avoiding potential exposures while dealing with the overall economic effects and your employees’ needs are on all Fellows” minds.

The following Resources apply to the **US** at this particular point of time.

**Please follow your country’s guidelines. The guidelines below may not apply to you.**

**Resources**

**U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

* [CDC Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendation](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html)
* [CDC State and Territorial Health Department](https://www.cdc.gov/publichealthgateway/healthdirectories/healthdepartments.html)
* [CDC Developing Guidance Regarding Responding to COVID-19 in Dental Settings](https://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/infectioncontrol/statement-COVID.html)
* [CDC Situational Updates](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/summary.html)
* [CDC Healthcare Professional Resources – COVID-19](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/hcp/index.html)
* [CDC Fact Sheet and Handouts](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/factsheets.html)
* [CDC Standard Precautions](https://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/infectioncontrol/summary-infection-prevention-practices/standard-precautions.html)
* [Summary of Infection Prevention Practices in Dental Settings: Basic Expectations for Safe Care](https://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/infectioncontrol/summary-infection-prevention-practices/index.html)
* [USPHS CDO Newsletter # 46 - March 14, 2020 (COVID-19 and Dental Practice: A Message from the CDC Division of Oral Health)](https://www.agd.org/docs/default-source/public-relations/usphs-cdo-newsletter-46---march-14-2020.pdf?sfvrsn=f323cd8c_0)

**U.S. Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

* [Press Release on the CMS COVID-19 Elective Surgeries and Non-Essential Procedures Recommendations](https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=https%3a%2f%2flnks.gd%2fl%2feyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMDAzMTkuMTg5NjE0NjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5jbXMuZ292L25ld3Nyb29tL3ByZXNzLXJlbGVhc2VzL2Ntcy1yZWxlYXNlcy1yZWNvbW1lbmRhdGlvbnMtYWR1bHQtZWxlY3RpdmUtc3VyZ2VyaWVzLW5vbi1lc3NlbnRpYWwtbWVkaWNhbC1zdXJnaWNhbC1hbmQtZGVudGFsIn0.WBqtumr41qzNR-etoDZyxITqq2_G9QcC6IviCjF_eHE%2fbr%2f76328512321-l&c=E,1,UMya4y0QjE4mVonPxRm1K30kGgXkx-dzk-XH9R13am65mgy59g763fBENi09hQYPh7iE10Hip4oFz097YlmttULP3vQfLTDea3KGySMPEant92ip51Kn2aWCVGc,&typo=1)
* [CMS General Provider Telehealth and Telemedicine Tool Kit](https://www.cms.gov/files/document/general-telemedicine-toolkit.pdf)
* [CMS COVID-19 Elective Surgeries and Non-Essential Procedures Recommendations](https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=https%3a%2f%2flnks.gd%2fl%2feyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMDAzMTkuMTg5NjE0NjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5jbXMuZ292L2ZpbGVzL2RvY3VtZW50LzMxODIwLWNtcy1hZHVsdC1lbGVjdGl2ZS1zdXJnZXJ5LWFuZC1wcm9jZWR1cmVzLXJlY29tbWVuZGF0aW9ucy5wZGYifQ.IgyOZgD-3R6x9bZi__Br_gzi8OFLsa3zL8AoUbcDrlA%2fbr%2f76328512321-l&c=E,1,Oq1xOFj7ePu6JFqnlpeQShHvjwCNUVDpnrByklnk9Ss68jYYlHNd8vCvcwtCrZ9uZXfzuk31t-uuocLequpEUN4iHGqOGoBbARPm0q3lPOFZv9A,&typo=1)
* [Current Emergencies Website](https://www.cms.gov/About-CMS/Agency-Information/Emergency/EPRO/Current-Emergencies/Current-Emergencies-page)

**U.S. Department of Labor**

* [Guidance for Workers and Employers Explaining Paid Sick Leave and Expanded Family and Medical Leave Benefits Under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act](https://www.dol.gov/newsroom/releases/whd/whd20200328)

**U.S. Internal Revenue Service**

* [Plan to implement Coronavirus-related paid leave for workers and tax credits for small and midsize businesses](https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/treasury-irs-and-labor-announce-plan-to-implement-coronavirus-related-paid-leave-for-workers-and-tax-credits-for-small-and-midsize-businesses-to-swiftly-recover-the-cost-of-providing-coronavirus)

**U.S. Food and Drug Administration**

* [Surgical Mask & Gown Conservation Strategies -- Letter to Healthcare Providers](https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/letters-health-care-providers/surgical-mask-and-gown-conservation-strategies-letter-healthcare-providers?fbclid=IwAR1frNNfL6SDc7N6k_j4v69ikOZ9tn48WBipSHdEWibTCS5PYexU9DGGNMY)

**U.S. Office, Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

* [COVID-19 Updates](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf?fbclid=IwAR3KAdjfZQk29ekw0elxZPqYPdwdvy00471wJc3-CbhOlFvgdkck6Iy9W0I)

**U.S. Office, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response**

* [Public Health Emergency Healthcare Planning Checklist](https://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/COVID19/Documents/COVID-19%20Healthcare%20Planning%20Checklist.pdf)

**State Information**

* Standards of Care are determined by the State Board.

For the most updated information on measures in your state, visit your state department of health web site. Check out [CDC State and Territorial Health Department](https://www.cdc.gov/publichealthgateway/healthdirectories/healthdepartments.html) for more information.

**Government of Canada**

[Information for Healthcare Professionals](https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/health-professionals.html)

**Practice Management**

* [Gordon J. Christensen Clinical Report; COVID-19 Special Report](https://www.agd.org/docs/default-source/practice-tools/covid-0520-online-v3-20.pdf?sfvrsn=fab3224c_0) (Gordon J. Christensen)

We will continue to report the guidelines as they evolve. Our thought and prayers are sent out to all Fellows. We pray this pandemic ends soon!

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