

## PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL LAPSE REPORT

**Initial Report** of Guelph Dental Associates – Growing Smiles located at 380 Eramosa Rd, Guelph, ON, N1E 6R2

Premise/facility under investigation (name and address)	Guelph Dental Associates – Growing Smiles 380 Eramosa Rd, Guelph ON, N1E 6R2
Type of premise/facility: (E.g. clinic, personal services setting)	Dental Practice
Date Board of Health became aware of IPAC lapse	2017/06/21
Date of Initial Report posting	2017/06/30
Date of Initial Report update(s) (if applicable)	
How the IPAC lapse was identified	A complaint by a member of the public
Summary Description of the IPAC Lapse	During the complaint inspection it was observed that the disinfection and sterilization of medical devices on site did not follow Provincial Infectious Disease Advisory Committee (PIDAC) Best Practice Standards for medical device reprocessing and infection control in a clinical office setting.

### IPAC Lapse Investigation

Did the IPAC lapse involve a member of a regulatory college?	Yes
If yes, was the issue referred to the regulatory college?	Reports were made to the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario and to the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario.
Were any corrective measures recommended and/or implemented?	<p>The dental practice is to ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal policies and procedures on infection control and medical device reprocessing are in place and followed.</li> <li>• Expired products are discarded</li> <li>• Medical device reprocessing and other general infection control practices will follow the IPAC best practice documents provided by the Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee (PIDAC) and Canadian Safety Association (CSA).</li> <li>• Records are kept to document the quality assurance parameters required for sterilization including time, temperature, pressure, chemical and biological indicators.</li> <li>• Staff member(s) responsible for any or all steps in reprocessing must complete Public Health Ontario's Reprocessing learning module and at least one staff within the practice must receive certification in reprocessing from an approved medical device reprocessing course.</li> </ul>

Please provide further details/steps	Staff responded immediately to implement IPAC practices as per current Provincial Infectious Disease Advisory Committee (PIDAC) guidelines for cleaning and reprocessing of medical equipment. Some recommendations for practice improvements are in progress and require time to implement. Staff are committed to ensuring these improvements are made
Date any order(s) or directive(s) were issued to the owners/operators (if applicable)	On June 21, 2017 a Section 13 order under the HPPA was issued to the premise operators, requiring that they cease and desist all patient care services until IPAC practices had been brought into compliance with IPAC Best Practices (as applicable).
<b>Initial Report Comments and Contact Information</b>	
Any Additional Comments (Do not include any personal information or personal health information)	
<b>If you have any further questions, please contact:</b>	
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<b>Final Report</b>	
Date of Final Report posting:	2017/09/22
Date any order(s) or directive(s) were issued to the owner/operator (if applicable)	
Brief description of corrective measures taken	On August 25, 2017 a re-inspection was conducted to review outstanding issues. A follow up inspection was conducted on September 1, 2017 and all IPAC practices were in compliance with IPAC Best Practices. Provision of patient care services using reusable equipment was allowed to resume as all items within the Section 13 Order issued under the Health Protection and Promotion Act, issued to clinic staff on June 21, 2017 had been addressed.
Date all corrective measures were confirmed to have been completed	September 1, 2017
<b>Final Report Comments and Contact Information</b>	
Any Additional Comments (Do not include any personal information or personal health information)	

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