



# INFECTION CONTROL CERTIFICATION

## TOPIC H: CHEMICAL AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

1. Chemical and waste management is protection of the \_\_\_\_\_ in regards to infection control.
2. Clinical contact surfaces have a \_\_\_\_\_ potential for direct contamination and clinical housekeeping surfaces do \_\_\_\_\_ come into contact with patients or devices.
3. If clinical contact surfaces are contaminated with blood, we need to use \_\_\_\_\_ level disinfection and if not contaminated with blood we can use \_\_\_\_\_ level disinfection.
4. For housekeeping surfaces we only need to use \_\_\_\_\_ level disinfection.
5. We are required by the DBC to use BOTH barriers and surface disinfectants. True False (circle one)
6. Why is question 5 above FALSE? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Barriers should be placed with \_\_\_\_\_ and removed with \_\_\_\_\_ hands.
8. What type of gloves should be worn underneath utility gloves? \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. What are your options for infection control of keyboards? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. The Dental Board of California encourages the use of re-usable items whenever possible. True False  
(Hopefully you said "false" to #10 above as they encourage the use of disposable items to help prevent cross-contamination.)
11. Disposable items are STERILE in their packaging when we purchase them. True False
12. In surgical environments, which would we prefer, disposable or re-usable/sterilizable supplies? (circle one)  
Why? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Plastic impression trays are meant to be \_\_\_\_\_ after use. If you were to want to re-use it, you would need to \_\_\_\_\_ it with \_\_\_\_\_ level \_\_\_\_\_ before re-use, then rinse, dry and \_\_\_\_\_ it until ready to be used.
14. REGULATION means a \_\_\_\_\_ that some agency has enacted and it is / is not (circle one) enforceable.
15. Almost all medical waste in a dental office is \_\_\_\_\_ regulated.
16. **ALL** biological waste produced in the dental office must be put in a biohazard container. True False
17. Two other terms for regulated medical waste are:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
18. Regulated medical waste as a potential risk of \_\_\_\_\_ during disposal.
19. Needles, ortho wires, broken instruments, and scalpels, must be disposed of in a \_\_\_\_\_ container that has a \_\_\_\_\_ label on it.

20. Blood soaked 2 x 2 should go into a sharps container. True False
21. Sharps containers must be placed wherever sharps are \_\_\_\_\_. This means that there should be a container in \_\_\_\_\_.
22. Needles should be bent before placing in the sharps container. True False
23. How many hands should be used when recapping a needle without using a recapping device? \_\_\_\_\_
24. You must wear \_\_\_\_\_ when handling sharps.
25. What are the two situations (parameters) regarding handling of bloody waste that would require the item to be placed in a biohazard container?
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
26. You must have a separate biohazard container that is NOT the sharps container. True False
27. Extracted teeth must be put in a \_\_\_\_\_ waste container.
28. If sending teeth out somewhere (not with the patient) it must be disinfected with \_\_\_\_\_ level disinfection or \_\_\_\_\_ sterilized.
29. Teeth with \_\_\_\_\_ restorations must \_\_\_\_\_ be heat sterilized because of the mercury \_\_\_\_\_ created during the process that are very hazardous if \_\_\_\_\_.
30. Why should extracted teeth with amalgam NOT be put in a biohazardous SHARPS container?
- \_\_\_\_\_
31. Extracted teeth \_\_\_\_\_ be given to patients but we should \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ it first.
32. Extracted teeth used in educational settings should be soaked in \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ days to disinfect \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ surfaces.
33. Pathological waste must be placed in a \_\_\_\_\_ container that is labeled with a \_\_\_\_\_ symbol.
34. Four common hazardous wastes that we may produce in a dental office and are therefore regulated include:
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_
35. Is hazardous waste REGULATED? Yes No If so, by who? \_\_\_\_\_
36. Disposable gowns can often be recycled. True False
37. If not recycled, disposable gowns would then go in \_\_\_\_\_ trash.
38. Anesthetic carpules should be placed in \_\_\_\_\_ trash.
39. Refrigerated dental supplies can / cannot (circle one) be put in refrigerators used for food.
40. You have learned something useful in this podcast. True False ☺