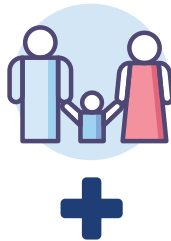


POINT OF CARE RISK ASSESSMENT (PCRA)

Steps in PPE Triage

**BEFORE
EACH CLIENT
INTERACTION,
THE DENTAL
PROFESSIONAL SHOULD
ASSESS THE FOLLOWING:**

A PCRA is to be performed at each client interaction whether the contact is of clinical or administrative nature. The PCRA serves as a PPE triage for the dental professional based on aerosol generating procedures, non-aerosol generating procedures and client health screening. A PCRA is part of the hierarchy of controls in a dental offices IPAC Program in protecting the dental professional and the public by mitigating the transmission of infectious pathogens.

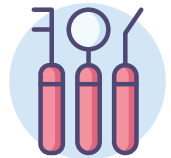


WHO

Has the client been screened for symptoms of infectious diseases...

- Pre-screening prior to visit at confirmation of appointment?
- Self-screening by client upon arrival?
- Active screening at the office the day of appointment?

Are there any changes in the client's medical health?



WHAT

What interactions are unfolding with the client...

- Indirect contact such as administrative tasks, consultations, etc. ?
- Direct contact NAGP?
- Direct contact AGP?
- Exposure to blood, body fluids, mucous membranes, non-intact skin?



WHERE

Where are the client interactions occurring...

- Administrative area or operator?
- Do the environments have *control measures to decrease the risk of transmission of pathogens?

*adequate air change per hour, disinfected hard surfaces, organized and clutter free.



HOW

How will you protect yourself and the public, based on Who, What & Where ...

- n95 respirator mask
- level 3 surgical mask
- level 2 gown
- gloves
- safety eyewear
- face shield
- lab coat
- uniform
- shoes

Is the proper inventory available & accessible?

Adapted from CDHO IPAC Guidelines (2024) PCRA