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PROGRAM

V4700 Top Ten Revenue-Producing Expanded Functions

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GOALS & OBJECTIVES

At the completion of this video presentation, viewers should be able to:

1. List and discuss two major reasons for the decrease in dentist NET revenue.
2. Discuss dentist income at this time compared to pre-Great Recession.
3. List the members of the dental “perfect team.”
4. Identify the team members to receive delegated clinical responsibilities.
5. Discuss how to decide on what procedures to delegate.
6. Discuss how to determine which employee gets a specific task.
7. List the ten procedures discussed in this video.
8. Discuss how to educate your staff to the new procedures.
9. Describe the auxiliary-oriented diagnostic appointment.
10. Describe the occlusal splint technique.
11. Discuss use of local antibiotics for periodontal disease.
12. Describe treatment of snoring.
13. List and describe desensitizing external tooth sensitivity.
14. Discuss the many methods of topical fluoride application and specifically varnishes.
15. Discuss the need for athletic mouthguards and the technique shown in this presentation.
16. Describe use of the Ultradent Product’s “Go” bleaching concept.
17. Describe a proven method to place sealants.
18. Discuss the service increase in a practice willing to allow expanded auxiliary functions.
19. Discuss the revenue increase in a practice willing to allow expanded auxiliary functions.
20. Predict what expanding staff clinical tasks will do for your practice.

OVERVIEW

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Dentist gross income has increased since the Great Recession, but NET revenue is at the level adjusted for inflation of over 20 years ago. The major reasons are reduced third-party payment reimbursements and the growth of corporate dentistry. One of the only ways to reduce this financial challenge is to increase the amount of services provided, thus increasing gross and net revenue.

The following topics are included in this presentation:

- Reasons for the stagnation of dentist NET revenue
- Dentist income at this time
- Members of the dentistry “perfect team”
- What clinical procedures to delegate to staff
- Determining to whom to delegate tasks
- Ten delegatable procedures included in this presentation
- Educating your staff on the procedures to be delegated
- The auxiliary-oriented diagnostic appointment
- The occlusal splint procedure
- Local antibiotics for periodontal disease areas
- Treating snoring and detecting sleep apnea
- Desensitizing external tooth sensitivity
- Topical fluoride using fluoride-containing varnish
- Athletic mouthguards
- Sealants
- Service increase potential
- Revenue increase potential

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POST-TEST

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1. Two major reasons for the decrease in dentist NET revenue are:
 - a. decrease in dental fees and decreased third-party payments.
 - b. decrease in dental fees and increased corporate dentistry.
 - c. decreased third-party payments and increase in corporate dentistry.
 - d. increase in corporate dentistry and decrease in patient oral disease.

2. The dentistry “perfect team” includes:
 - a. distributors.
 - b. manufacturers.
 - c. dentists.
 - d. all of the above.

3. Procedures to be delegated should be:
 - a. the dentist’s decision.
 - b. the staff member’s decision.
 - c. the suggestions of dental distributors.
 - d. the decision of the dentist and the staff.

4. Deciding what task to delegate to whom should be:
 - a. a random assignment.
 - b. the staff member’s decision.
 - c. the decision of the individual staff member and the dentist.
 - d. the dentist’s decision.

5. Educating staff to assume new responsibilities usually requires:
 - a. courses.
 - b. reading.
 - c. internet information.
 - d. all of the above.

6. The auxiliary-oriented diagnostic appointment:
 - a. is expensive.
 - b. requires about 3 hours.
 - c. always includes a prophylaxis.
 - d. none of the above.

7. Periodontal locally applied antibiotics:
 - a. are necessary for most patients.
 - b. are indicated for all periodontal pockets over 5mm.
 - c. are indicated for pockets that have not responded to scaling and root planing.
 - d. are inexpensive.

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- 8. A preventive appointment:
 - a. is usually about 30 minutes.
 - b. includes fluoride varnish.
 - c. does not require casts.
 - d. must be repeated on an annual basis.

- 9. Snoring treatment and sleep apnea detection require:
 - a. a team of three.
 - b. an at-home sleep test or a sleep test in a sleep clinic.
 - c. observation of occlusal factors to assist in selection of the correct appliance.
 - d. all of the above.

- 10. Mouthguards as promoted in this presentation:
 - a. must be made in a dental lab.
 - b. use pressure and heat to form the guard.
 - c. use vacuum to form the guard.
 - d. are done by boiling the resin and biting into it.

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