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Impressions Can Be Simple and Predictable

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PROGRAM

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GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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

1. List reasons why fixed prosthodontic procedures are of high importance in dentistry.
2. Discuss why fixed prosthodontics comprise a major part of dental practice.
3. Discuss the current state of elastomer impressions.
4. Discuss the current state of digital impressions.
5. Compare the accuracy of elastomer vs. digital impressions.
6. Discuss the current percentage of digital vs. elastomer impressions in the USA.
7. List five reasons why digital impressions have been slow incorporating into practice.
8. List three significant advantages of vinyl polysiloxane impressions.
9. List three significant advantages of polyether impressions.
10. Discuss two most frequent reasons for inadequate elastomer impressions.
11. Discuss two most frequent reasons for inadequate digital impressions.
12. Discuss the limitations of elastomer impressions.
13. Discuss the limitations of digital impressions.
14. Discuss the expected growth of digital impressions.
15. Discuss staff members being involved with digital impressions.
16. Discuss the importance of proper soft-tissue management.
17. List the most popular methods for soft-tissue management.
18. Describe the two-cord tissue management technique.
19. Describe use of styptic pastes for soft-tissue management.
20. Compare the cost of digital vs. elastomer impressions.

OVERVIEW

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Impressions for indirect restorations are apparently a challenge for dentists, since major dental laboratories state that the majority of elastomer and digital impressions coming into their labs are defective in one or both of the following ways:

- The impressions do not have all the tooth preparation margins recorded.
- The elastomer impression material separates from the tray with resultant distortion.

This video presentation shows simple, predictable techniques for making perfect impressions most of the time, either elastomer or digital. The following and other topics are included:

- Why fixed prosthodontic procedures are of high importance in dentistry
- Why fixed prosthodontics comprise a major part of dental practice
- The current state of elastomer impressions
- The current state of digital impressions
- Accuracy of elastomer vs. digital impressions
- The current percentage of digital vs. elastomer impressions in the USA
- Reasons why digital impressions have been slow incorporating into practice
- Significant advantages of vinyl polysiloxane impressions
- Significant advantages of polyether impressions
- Most frequent reasons for inadequate elastomer impressions
- Most frequent reasons for inadequate digital impressions
- Limitations of elastomer impressions
- Limitations of digital impressions
- Expected growth of digital impressions
- Staff members being involved with digital impressions
- The importance of proper soft-tissue management
- The most popular methods for soft-tissue management
- The two-cord tissue management technique
- Use of styptic pastes for soft-tissue management
- The cost of digital vs. elastomer impressions

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POST-TEST

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1. Vinyl polysiloxane materials (VPS):
 - a. have an objectionable taste to some patients.
 - b. have a “snap” set.
 - c. have adhesive that sets in 90 seconds.
 - d. none of the above.

2. Polyether materials:
 - a. are not as hydrophilic as VPS.
 - b. were suggested in this video, especially for removable prosthodontics.
 - c. have no taste.
 - d. have an incremental progressive setting time.

3. The most common reason for inadequate impressions is:
 - a. inadequate tooth preparations.
 - b. undercuts on tooth preparations.
 - c. inadequate soft-tissue management.
 - d. use of a laser for tissue management.

4. Digital impressions are:
 - a. more accurate than elastomer impressions.
 - b. less accurate than elastomer impressions.
 - c. similar in accuracy to elastomer impressions.
 - d. not growing in use.

5. Digital impressions:
 - a. are more difficult than elastomer impressions.
 - b. cannot be used adequately for all crown prep situations.
 - c. require more time than elastomer impressions.
 - d. are less expensive than elastomer impressions.

6. Scanners:
 - a. are adequate in all their physical characteristics.
 - b. are inexpensive.
 - c. can use more development.
 - d. none of the above.

7. Limitations of current scanners include:
 - a. being too large.
 - b. being too expensive.
 - c. accompanying computer on some scanners has infection control challenges.
 - d. all of the above.

POST-TEST (CONT'D)

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- 8. The most adequate soft-tissue management technique is:
 - a. the single-cord technique.
 - b. styptic clay.
 - c. the double-cord technique.
 - d. electrosurgery.

- 9. In the double-cord technique:
 - a. styptic should be placed on the first cord.
 - b. styptic clay and a Comprecap can be substituted for the second cord.
 - c. both cords are removed before making the impression.
 - d. both cords are left in while making the impression.

- 10. Staff involvement for scanning:
 - a. is encouraged.
 - b. is illegal in some locations.
 - c. reduces the cost for the impression.
 - d. all of the above.

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