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PATIENT SAFETY MANUAL

Patient safety is our chief priority and as a dental institution we tend to learn from our patients, hence we treat them with prime importance. This manual discusses the patient safety precautions followed in our institution. Our organization enhances patient safety by educating employees and professional staff about reliable risk prevention practices.

INFECTION CONTROL MEASURES:

- All diagnostic and treatment procedures are carried out with instruments that are properly sterilized with utmost care.
- Disinfection of floors, dental chairs are done on a daily basis to ensure protection against the spread of communicable diseases.
- Fumigation of minor operating theatre and closed clinical areas is done weekly.
- · Dental unit waterlines, bio-film, and water quality are checked periodically.
- Use of Disposable gloves, masks, and suction tips.
- · Alcohol based hand-rub is available in all floors.

COVID PROTOCOL:

- Use of personal protective equipment by the dental professionals while treating patients.
- Temperature screening done for patients, dental care providers and staffs.
- In accordance with state and CDC guidelines for healthcare settings, we are maintaining social distancing requirements in our clinical facility.

PATIENT CARE AND SECURITY:

- Each patient has unique out patient number that is kept confidentially between the patient and the college and we maintain a card system following this numbering system.
- Patient is given detailed information on the treatment procedures to be performed.
- The dental hospital building has CCTV Surveillance in each floor.
- · RO drinking water facility available.
- · Elevator can be used by the patients which is operated by a trained lift operator, and is battery supported.

RADIATION PROTECTION:

We follow the AERB guidelines for effective radiation protection such as:

- The layout of the Department is as per AERB norms.
- · Radiographic Equipment is purchased from AERB certified companies.
- · Qualified and trained personnel are employed.
- · Personal maintaining services for radiation workers are ensured.
- Authorized representatives inspect the equipment and Periodic safety reports are submitted to AERB for certification.
- 9-inchwall is provided for the room and walls are coated with lead,
- · Lead lined door and screen.
- Personnel use of lead apron, lead gloves and goggles is insisted for the Radiologist

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- · Thyroid collar is in use.
- Warnings are posted of radiation hazards for pregnant women.
- · Warnings lights are in place.

BIO MEDICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT:

- Our Institution follows thorough protocols for bio medical waste management as guided by the Govt of Andhra Pradesh Pollution control Board and timely renewal of EBV Technologies which helps in biomedical waste management is done.
- We take meticulous steps to ensure proper disposal of radioactive materials as directed by AERB.

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