

California Green Business Program

Checklist preview

Program: Santa Clara

Sector: Dentist



Water

DESCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A	Post
1. Educate clients about water conservation and turning off the tap while brushing.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Install a dry vacuum pump.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Select new autoclaves with water recirculation and automatic shutoff devices.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Reduce indoor water pressure to no higher than 50 psi by installing pressure reducing valves.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Pollution

DESCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A	Post
1. Use a licensed hauler for off-site recycling of spent fixer solution or for management as a hazardous waste.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DESCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A	Post
1. Use a steam autoclave or dry heat oven for instrument sterilization.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Use digital X-ray equipment.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Evaluate the potential health, safety and environmental impacts of alternative new products before accepting samples from your dental supplier.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. If still using traditional photo processing machines,; Replace older x-ray film processing equipment that mixes fixer and developer with equipment that keeps them separate.; Switch to mechanical x-ray cleaners.; Investigate the major reasons why x-ray images are spoiled in your practice, and take steps to reduce this spoilage.; Evaluate the frequency with which your practice changes its photo processing chemistry. Extend the time between chemistry changes if feasible (i.e., in such a way that images are not lost through being processed in worn out chemistry).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Switch to instrument sterilization via a steam autoclave or dry heat oven. If medically appropriate for your practice, switch your cold sterilant from a solution containing glutaraldehyde to something less toxic, such as one with hydrogen peroxide.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Switch to an enzyme or detergent type cleaner for your ultrasonic instrument cleaning bath.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Purchase dental materials in small quantities so that products need not be discarded because of the shelf life being exceeded.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>