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Patients Who Require Medical Clearance

Medical clearance is a type of communication that occurs between two medical providers to validate the existing condition of a patient and to assess whether he/she is fit to perform certain dental procedures.

Medical clearance is necessary to ensure that a patient is healthy enough to undergo dental procedures and is advised when a patient's medication or diagnosis can pose a risk to the patient.

Dentists may need to seek clearance for patients who:

1. Are undergoing cancer treatment
2. Had ANY joint or orthopedic surgery
3. Had a recent (less than 6 months) stroke
4. Had a recent (less than 6 months) heart attack
5. Have uncontrolled/unstable heart disease
6. Have an artificial heart valve
7. Have an organ transplant
8. Are taking blood thinners or bisphosphonates
9. Have hepatitis
10. High blood pressure over with a reading of 180/110
11. Have an infectious disease

ANY NEED FOR MEDICAL CLEARANCE IS UP TO THE DISCRETION OF THE EXPERT DENTAL STAFF.

It is important you have share all of your medical history with the dental team. An accurate medical/dental health history is imperative since it may provide valuable information for the dentist prior to beginning treatment, especially since certain medications and diagnosis can influence treatment decisions or may impact post-operative care instructions.