

# COLORADO'S INTERIM GUIDANCE FOR PPE IN THE DENTAL SETTING\*

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SPECIALTY	Procedure type	Aerosol producing	Splatter producing	Mask	Gown or jacket	Booties or dedicated office shoes/bonnet	Eye protection or Plastic Barrier	Face shield
<b>SCREENING</b>	Screening/temp taking	—	—	Level 2	✓	—	✓	Preferred
<b>FRONT DESK</b>	Check-in Check-out	—	—	Cloth mask	✓	—	<b>Plastic Barrier</b>	—
<b>DIAGNOSTIC</b>	New or recall exam	—	—	Level 2 or above	✓	—	✓	—
	Intra-oral radiographs	—	—	Level 2 or above	✓	—	✓	✓
	Intra-oral photos	—	—	Level 2 or above	✓	—	✓	✓
	Socially distant patient encounter	—	—	Level 1 or above	✓	—	—	—
<b>RESTORATIVE</b>	Fillings/restorations	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Crowns/bridges	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Seating restorations: Try to do crown/bridge adjustments outside of the mouth	—	✓	Level 2 or above	✓	—	✓	✓
	Veneers	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Stainless steel crowns	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
<b>PROSTHODONTICS</b>	Denture/RPD and impressions	—	—	Level 2 or above	✓	—	✓	—
	Repairs/adjustments	—	—	Level 2 or above	✓	—	✓	—
<b>ENDODONTICS</b>	Endo access	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Instrumentation	✓	Possible	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Apicoectomies	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Pulpotomies	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
<b>PERIO/HYGIENE</b>	Rubber cup or tooth brush prophylaxis	—	✓	Level 2, 3 or N95	✓	—	✓	✓
	Ultrasonic scaling	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Scaling/root planing-hand	—	✓	Level 2, 3 or N95	✓	—	✓	✓
	Surgical procedures	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
<b>ORAL SURGERY</b>	Non-surgical extraction	—	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Surgical extraction	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Implant surgery	Possible	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Bone graft surgery	Possible	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Soft tissue biopsy	—	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Hard tissue biopsy	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
<b>ORTHODONTICS</b>	New banding/bonding	—	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	—	✓	✓
	De-banding or de-banding	✓	✓	Level 3 or N95	✓	R	✓	✓
	Retainer checks	—	—	Level 2	✓	—	✓	—
	Wire changes	—	—	Level 2	✓	—	✓	—

— = no    ✓ = yes    R = Required



\*This document has been prepared by the CDA and the MDDS as a resource for dentists based on our understanding of the current PPE guidance. Dentists should always understand and review the latest CDC, OSHA and any CDPHE requirements that will supersede any recommendation on this chart.