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New Revisions to COVID-19 Guidelines

Ontario's Oral Health Professions Regulators are committed to working together to provide consistent guidance for the safe and effective provision of oral healthcare during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result of this collaborative work, the CDO has updated its COVID-19 guidance document for the provision of in-person Denturism care and service. This guidance is based on the best available evidence, data, and it prioritizes caution and safety.

These changes represent minor amendments to the existing guidelines and ensure consistency across the guidelines of Ontario's oral health professions regulators:

- The original document title has been revised to: Infection Prevention and Control
 Guidelines: Additional Precautions for Denturism Practice During the COVID-19
 Pandemic. Original title: Guide for Return to Practice for Denturists During the COVID-19
 Pandemic.
- Guiding principles have been updated.
- Registered Denturists are no longer required to take and record temperatures as part of routine screening. However, Registered Denturists may, at their own discretion, choose to continue to do so using a non-contact infrared thermometer.
- Pre-procedure oral rinse guidance has been updated.
- Accompanying FAQs document has been updated to reflect the revisions.
- Specific guidance regarding the cleaning and disinfection of washrooms have been removed. Washroom maintenance should follow best practices as outlined in the <u>College's</u> <u>Infection Prevention and Control Guidelines</u> – Section 4.1 Public Environmental Surfaces

Links to the following documents:

- Infection Prevention and Control Guidelines: Additional Precautions for Denturism Practice During the COVID-19 Pandemic
- FAQs Document Practicing During COVID-19

Questions?

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