

MANUAL CLEANING of INSTRUMENTS

THE PROBLEM

- Kits are being returned to the Dental Hospital with cement still contaminating instruments.
- CSSD do not carry out manual cleaning.



WHAT CAN WE DO?

WHY?

- Cross infection risk
- Compromised patient care, and increased costs

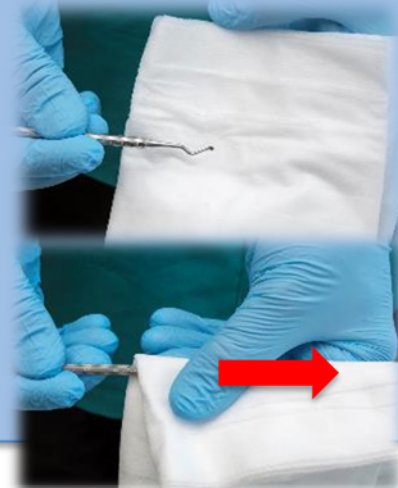
Manually clean our instruments before returning them to the trolley

IT IS YOUR OWN RESPONSIBILITY TO CARRY THIS OUT.

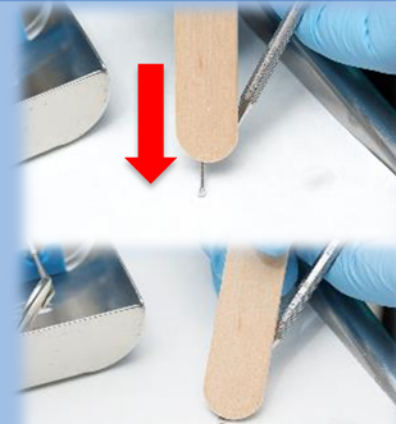


Ensure you are wearing your personal protective equipment (glasses, mask and gloves)

Inspect all instruments in your kit for contamination after use.



If found, first use a detergent wipe, ensuring the wiping action is in one direction only, away from any part likely to pose a risk of a stick injury



If cement still present, then hold the instrument so the tip is in contact with the top of the bracket table, then use a wooden spatula to remove the cement



Wipe again with a detergent wipe, and re-inspect

If cement cannot be removed by this method, dispose of the instrument in a sharps bin