

## Cross infection control policy

All impressions and appliance (wax try-ins bite blocks etc) that come into contact with the oral cavity are to be rinsed with clean water and disinfected appropriately within the dental practices cross infection control policy. In order to maintain cross infection control within the laboratory ALL impressions are disinfected along with all appliances. Staff will use gloves and appropriate PPE at all times handling impressions and disinfecting incoming/outgoing laboratory work in a clean disinfected dispatch station.

### **Disinfection procedure incoming work**

- Work bags are placed into separate disinfected work “pans” in order to protect from possible cross contamination by a trained member of staff
- All impressions and devices received are rinsed thoroughly under clean water to remove any visible contamination, saliva, blood etc
- Impressions and devices are then sprayed with BOSSKLEIN impression disinfection spray ensuring complete coverage, then allowed to dry
- Impression and packaging (tissue etc) is disposed of in a chemical waste bin
- Work surfaces are sprayed and wiped clean with DETOL before and after handling work in the packing/dispatch bench

### **Disinfection procedure outgoing work**

- **ALL** devices are dispatched in a work bag in a clean disinfected manner but remain in a **NON-STERILE** condition. Each device is soaked for 10-15 minutes in DISIFIN disinfectant tablet solution.
- Denture repairs, additions, relines are polished using a new and separate brushes from new appliances and pumice etc disposed of to avoid possible cross contamination.
- All work is packaged using appropriate PPE by a trained member of staff
- Work surfaces are sprayed and wiped clean with DETOL before and after handling work in the packing/dispatch bench
- It is recommended that these appliances are stored in the surgery in a clean safe environment and kept away from hot/cold temperatures, equipment, machinery, acids/alkalies or bleach that could cause chemical or physical damage to appliances.
- You should follow the surgery sterilisation procedure before fitting devices

