



# Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) Lapse Report

## Initial Report

Premises/facility under investigation:

Dundas Dental

Address:

1909 Dundas St E, Whitby ON L1N 2L5

Type of premises/facility: Dental Clinic

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### IPAC Lapse Details

Date board of health became aware of potential IPAC lapse: 2019-02-05

Date of initial report posting: 2019-02-19

How the potential IPAC lapse was identified: Complaint

Summary description of the IPAC lapse:

Concerned about the proper reprocessing and sterilization of dental equipment/devices.

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### IPAC Lapse Investigation

Did the IPAC lapse involve a member of a regulatory college? Yes

If yes, was the issue referred to the regulatory college? Yes

Please provide name of the regulatory college(s) and date(s) referred:

1. Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario (2019-02-07)
2. College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario (2019-02-19)

Were any corrective measures recommended and/or implemented? Yes

Please provide further details/steps:

1. Ensure all unpackaged reprocessed dental equipment/devices are placed on hold to avoid further use.
2. Ensure any further reprocessing are performed by staff that have completed specific training on cleaning, disinfection and sterilization.

3. Ensure all physical parameters for each sterilization cycle/load are recorded and available on site.
4. Ensure all reprocessed equipment/devices are properly packaged (i.e. not overloaded) and clearly labeled with the initials of the reprocessor, date, sterilizer name, contents, batch/load number.
5. Ensure all reusable equipment/devices are sterilized in proper packages and stored to maintain sterility until point of use.
6. Ensure reprocessing area is sufficiently separated from other areas to prevent cross-contamination by physical distance or a barrier.
7. Ensure all expired items are disposed.

Date any order(s) or directive(s) were issued to the owner/operator:

- Order of a Public Health Inspector served (2019-02-07)
- Report of Inspection provided (2019-02-06, 2019-02-07, 2019-02-08, 2019-02-11).

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### **Initial Report Comments and Contact Information**

Any additional comments:

- Additional follow-up visits were conducted as noted above to continue with investigation and confirm that corrective measures had been taken.
- On 2019-02-11, confirmed that all equipment/devices on hold were reprocessed with appropriate, labeled packages.
- Physical parameters of the sterilization cycles are being recorded.
- All expired items were disposed.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Environmental Help Line:

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# Final Report

Date of final report posting: 2019-05-06

Date all corrective measures were confirmed: 2019-04-29

Brief description of corrective measures taken: Order of a Public Health Inspector served on 2019-04-04. All items were in compliance and corrected as per the corrective measures indicated above. The extent of the above corrective measures required were considered minimal.

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## Final Report Comments and Contact Information

Any additional comments: Operator education and resources provided.

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