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Urgent COVID-19 (coronavirus) updates

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As the facts and situation around COVID-19 (coronavirus) continue to evolve, and in step with other closely related professions, the call for social distancing and residents with chronic conditions to self-isolate at home. The Denturist Society of Nova Scotia is requesting the cooperation of all Denturists in Nova Scotia and issuing the following guidance.



The Denturist Society of Nova Scotia strongly recommends that denturists practicing in Nova Scotia voluntarily suspend dental care effective March 17^{th} ; the situation will be reassessed on April 30^{th} , 2020.

The Denturist Society of Nova Scotia does not make this request lightly, and it is being done out of an abundance of caution during this historic public health emergency. As health care professionals, we all have a role to play in "flattening the curve" in order to follow sound, scientific public health advice to help limit infections and slow the spread of the virus.

Our collective actions now will determine the spread of COVID-19, and this recommendation is being made after careful deliberation and in consultation with provincial and national public health experts. We believe by taking these extraordinary precautions, denturists can make a difference in helping to preserve the limited supply of personal protective equipment critical for emergency dental care and frontline health care personnel responding to the pandemic. We recognize the gravity of these extreme measures and are sensitive to the economic impact of such actions.

We understand you will have questions about what to do next following this announcement. Check your emails or Follow us on Facebook to circulate this news with our Denturist community.

Respectfully,

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