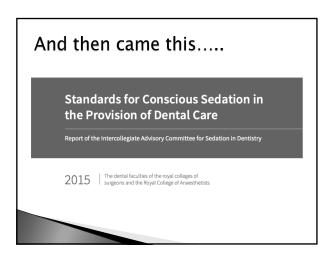


# \*\*Second appropriately trained person" \* Assist with sedation \* Monitoring \* Assist with dental treatment \* Chaperone \* Assist in case of emergency \*\*Conscious Sedation in The Provision of Dental Care \*\*



Conscious Sedation

'...... a technique in which the use of a drug or drugs produces a state of depression of the central nervous system enabling treatment to be carried out, but during which verbal contact with the patient is maintained throughout the period of sedation. The drugs and techniques used to provide conscious sedation for dental treatment should carry a margin of safety wide enough to render loss of

consciousness unlikely...'

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# Aims and Objectives Define the role of the dental nurse Highlight the key areas or responsibility

# Role of Sedation Nurse in emergency

- Emergency Drugs and Equipment: Access
- Spot an unwell patient and inform dentist
- Administer O2
- Monitor unwell or collapsed patient
- · Manage a faint
- Help unwell patient administer their prescribed drugs

# Role of Sedation Nurse in emergency

- Prepare emergency drugs at request of dentist
- Initiate and perform BLS: +/- dentist
- Manage a choking patient
- Call emergency services
- · Liaise with paramedics

Medicine Allergie PMH Last ora Event Signs/symptoms

### What do we need to consider?

Are there any differences for the dental team treating patients under Conscious Sedation?

What roles do dental team members play during a Conscious Sedation session and are these clear?

Dental Nurses - where do you fit?

# Second Appropriately Trained Person

Who are they?

How do they meet this statement?

- Clinical Experience
- Formal Training & Qualifications Patient Safety?

### Chaperone

Why is this important?

Who are you chaperoning?

Legal implications

### Assist with sedation

- Preparation
- Drugs
- Sedation equipment including Monitoring equipment
- Cannulation
- Dental Equipment & Materials etc
- Informed Consent
- Documentation

# Monitoring

Clinical

Mechanical

Continuous

Ability to quickly respond to changes

## Remember

Always consider the role the dental nurse plays in the treatment of patients This should be reflected clearly in your RoE Preparation, Anticipation and Reassurance

Reflection - form of learning, so not to repeat mistakes

- ▶ Not very good....but don't know it.
- Yet
- **▶ UNCONSCIOUSLY INCOMPETENT**

- ▶ CONSCIOUSLY INPCOMPETENT
- → Still poor....but recognise it!

- **CONSCIOUSLY COMPETENT**
- ▶ Can do it well! And knows It!

- UNCONSCIOUSLY COMPENTENT
- Does everything well, by nature!

