

What to expect

FOR DENTAL FACILITIES



Thank you for scheduling your Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR) consultation with the Washington State Department of Health. Our infection preventionist will do a free, non-regulatory consultation that will last approximately one to two hours. During the on-site visit, we will work with you to improve your infection prevention and control program.

What should you do to prepare for your ICAR?

- Invite members of your leadership such as the lead dental assistant, infection prevention coordinator, or whomever is in charge of the infection prevention program in your clinic.
- Have a list of questions or concerns prepared. We will be able to answer your questions about infection prevention practices.
- Be prepared for an infection preventionist to tour your sterile processing area.



What can you expect after your ICAR is completed?



Our staff will email you promptly with the following items:

- The ICAR Consultation Summary Report outlining your best practices and areas for improvement
- Recommendations and resources to address areas for improvement
- Resources such as signage for infection prevention practices
- Certificate of ICAR participation and window decal

Thank you for inviting us into your facility. Have questions?



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