WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Private Dentistry (Wales) Regulations 2008

PART VI

QUALITY OF SERVICE PROVISION

Quality of treatment

14.—(1) The registered person must ensure that dental services provided to each patient —

- (a) meet the patient's individual needs;
- (b) reflect published research evidence and guidance issued by the appropriate professional and expert bodies;
- (c) are (where necessary) provided by means of appropriate equipment;
- (d) are provided in an environment which promotes patient well-being and is designed for the effective and safe provision of treatment.

(2) The registered person must ensure that working practices take account of quality assurance, quality improvement and patient safety.

(3) The registered person must ensure that all equipment used in the provision of dental services is—

- (a) suitable for the purposes for which it is to be used; and
- (b) properly maintained and in good working order.

(4) Where reusable devices are used in the provision of dental services the registered person must ensure that appropriate procedures are implemented in relation to cleaning, disinfection, inspection, packaging, sterilisation, transportation and storage of such devices.

(5) The procedures implemented in accordance with paragraph (4) must be such as to ensure that reusable devices are handled safely and decontaminated effectively prior to re-use.

(6) The registered person must make suitable arrangements to minimise the risk of infection and the spread of infection.