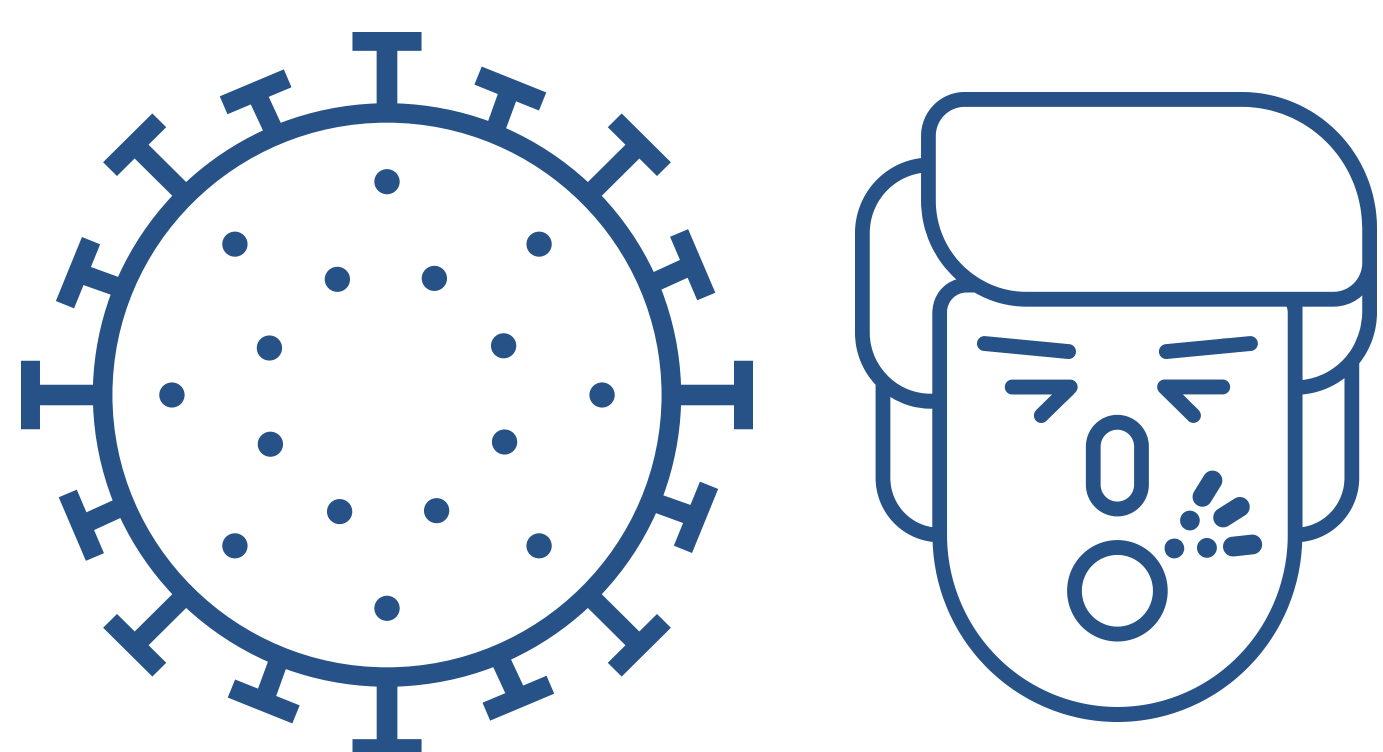




# SPECIALIST PRACTICE TREATMENT DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS: PATIENT TRIAGE



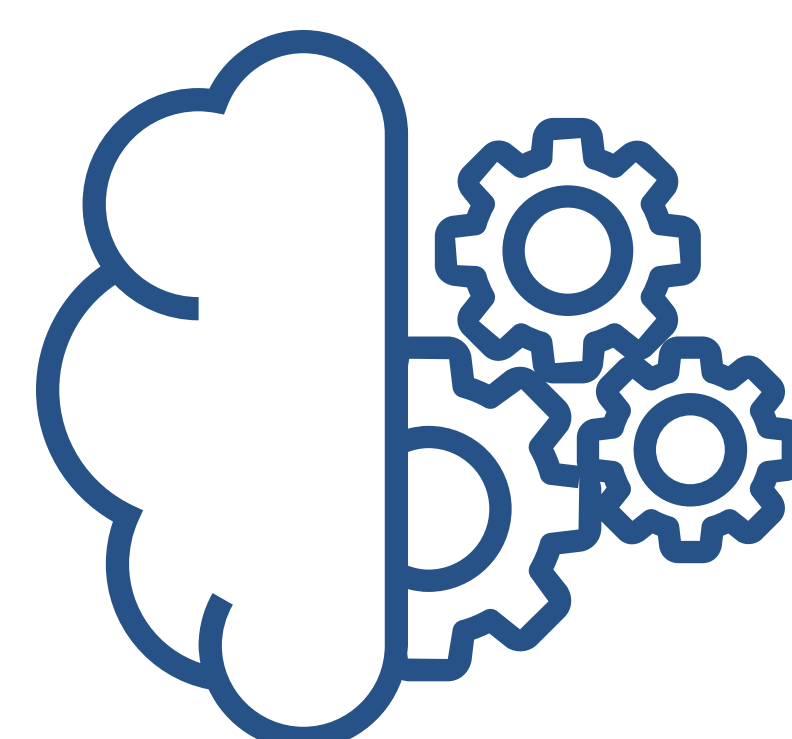
## Covid-19

As the crisis continues and with the government reviewing the lockdown restriction.



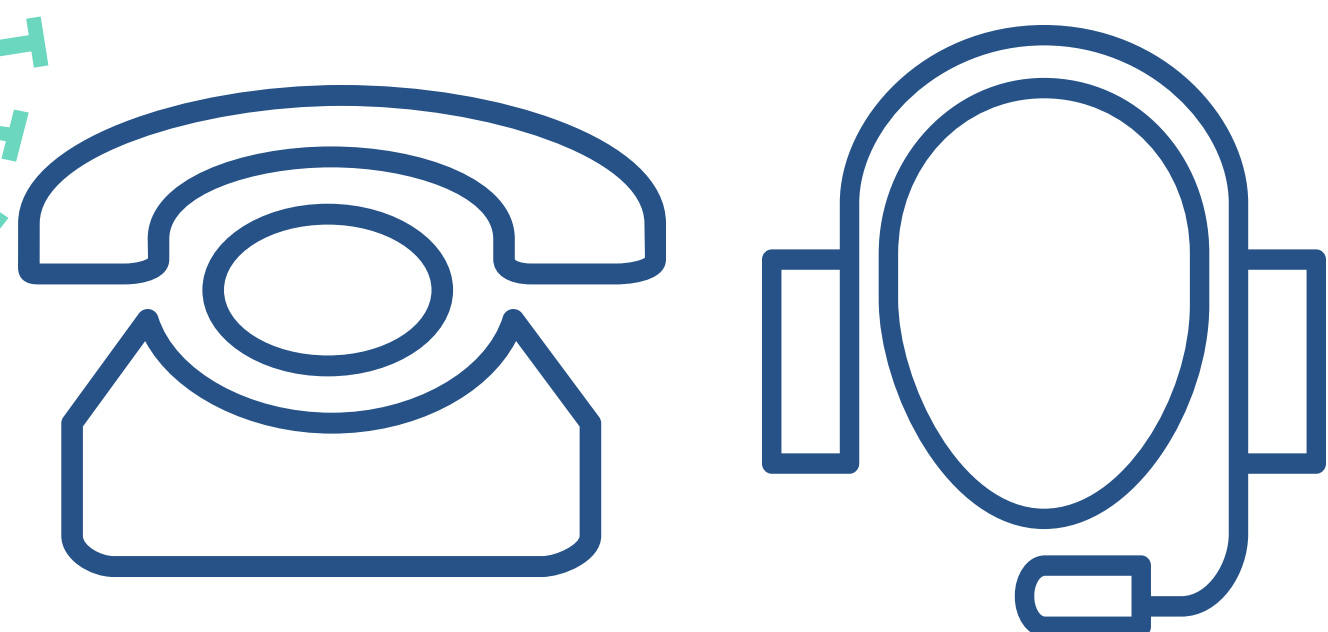
## Norfolk Dental Specialists

We have been developing strategies and protocols on how to manage our patients.



## Protocols

These are based on current international & national guidelines to ensure the safety of our patients and staff.



## Phone Triage

The practice will phone patients prior to their appointment.



## Patient Risk Profile

During the call, questions will be asked to determine their level of risk.



## Organised Treatment

Based on the patient's risk profile, we will arrange a suitable appointment.

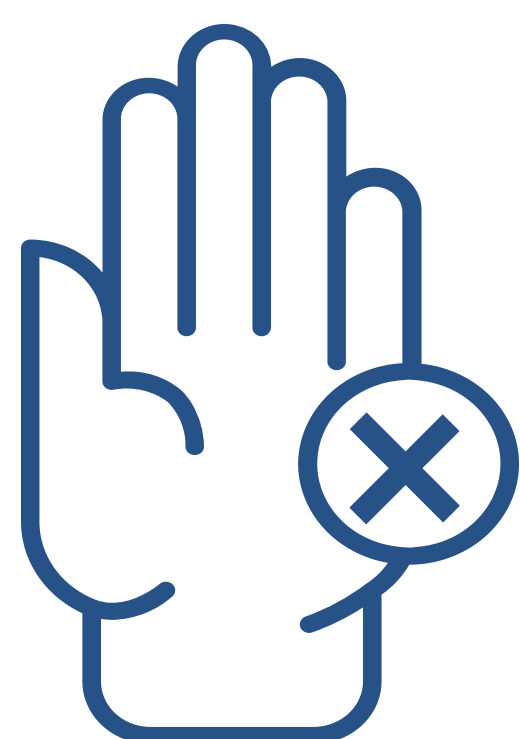


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## Temperature Check

Once the patient attends the practice our team will carry out a temperature registration.



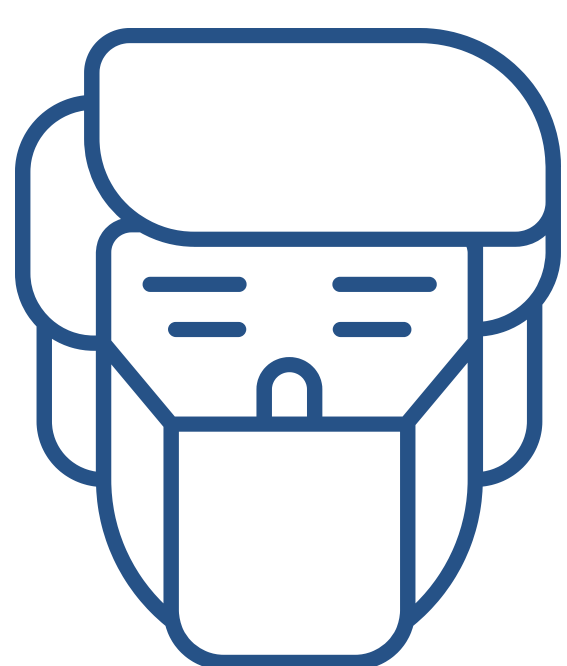
## Hand Hygiene

The patient will be asked to sanitise their hands with alcohol gel.



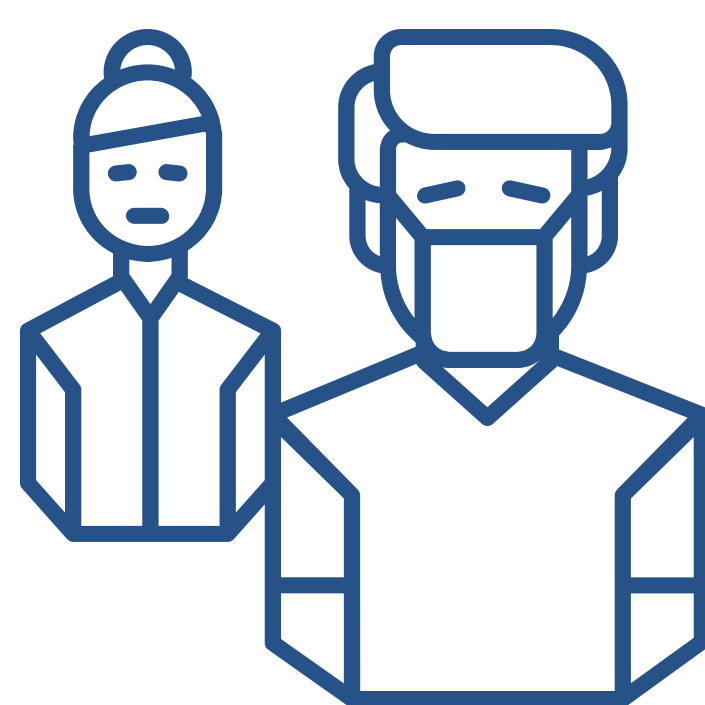
## Repeat Triage

A member of the team will repeat the the risk assessment triage.



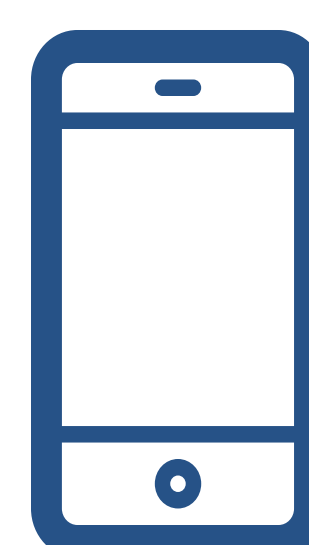
## Mask

Prior to taking a seat in our lounge the patient will be asked to wear a mask. In the lounge, we will ensure patients are 2 meters apart.



## Social Distance

The number of staff working will be reduced as the practice will be running two to three surgeries.



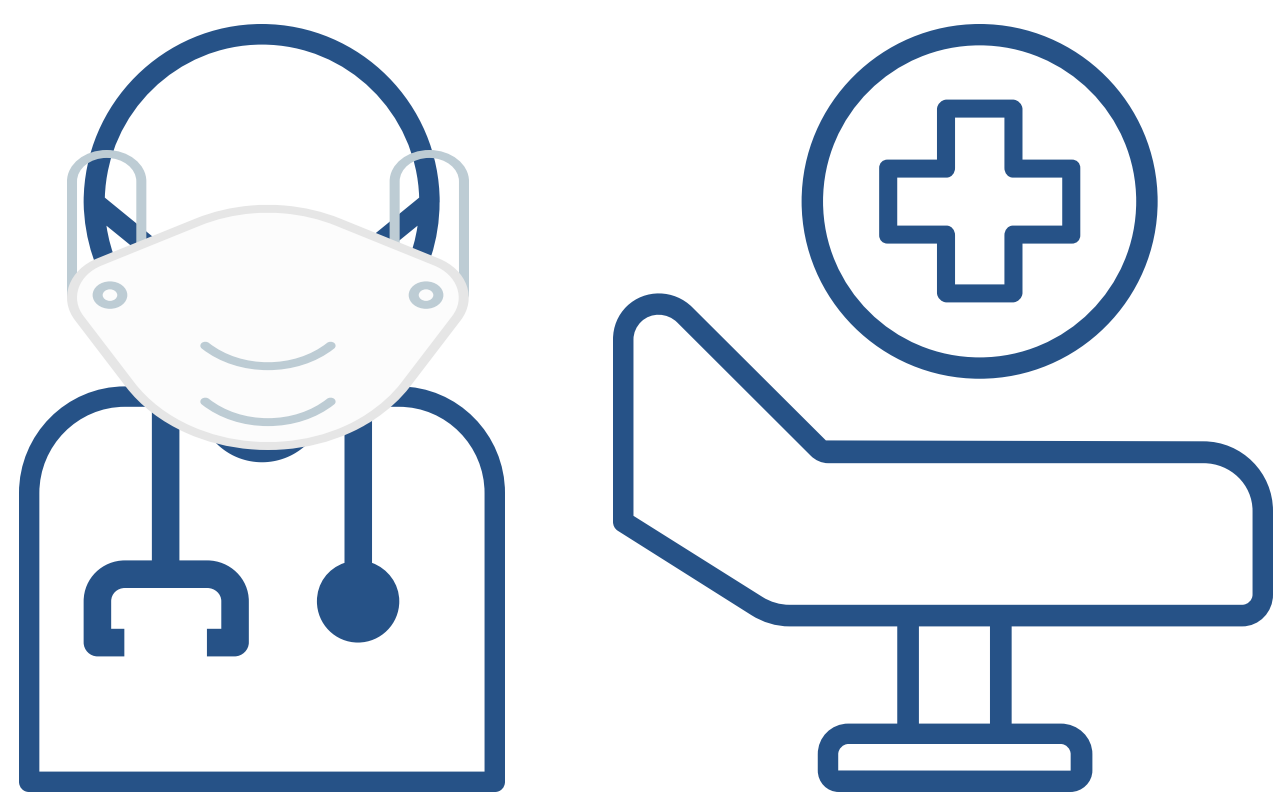
## Personal Items

Patients belongings, should not be brought into the surgery.



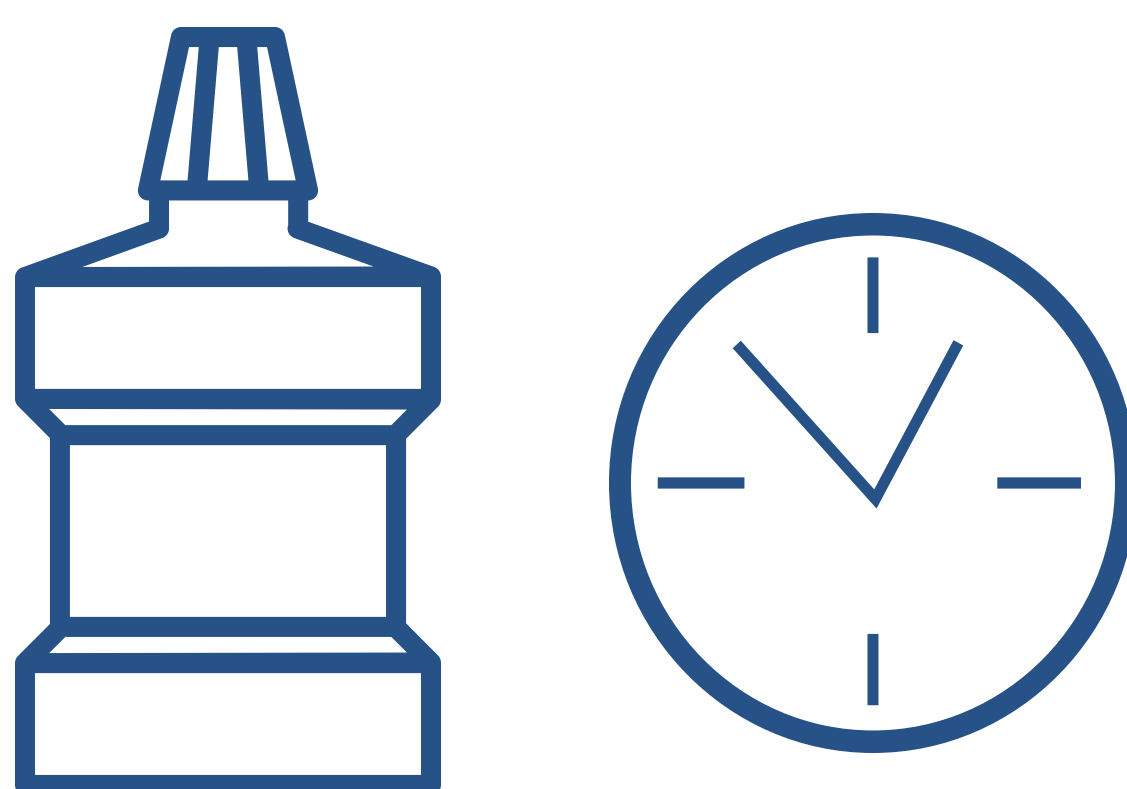


# SPECIALIST PRACTICE TREATMENT DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS: THE SURGERY



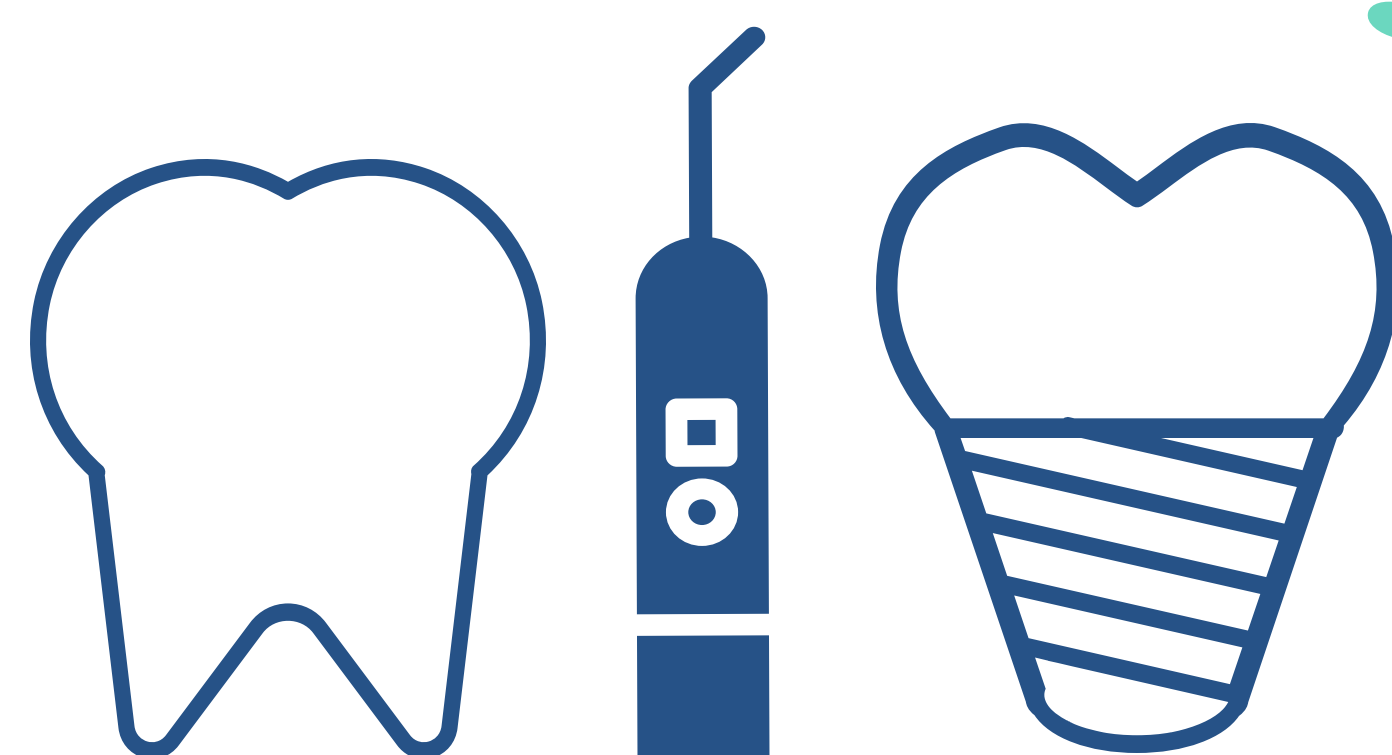
## PPE

Appropriate personal protective equipment will be worn in the surgery by our clinicians.



## H2O2

A pre-operative hydrogen peroxide mouth rinse for 1 minute will be given to patients prior to commencing the dental procedure.



## OptraGate

Where possible intra-oral barriers will be used such as OptraGate.



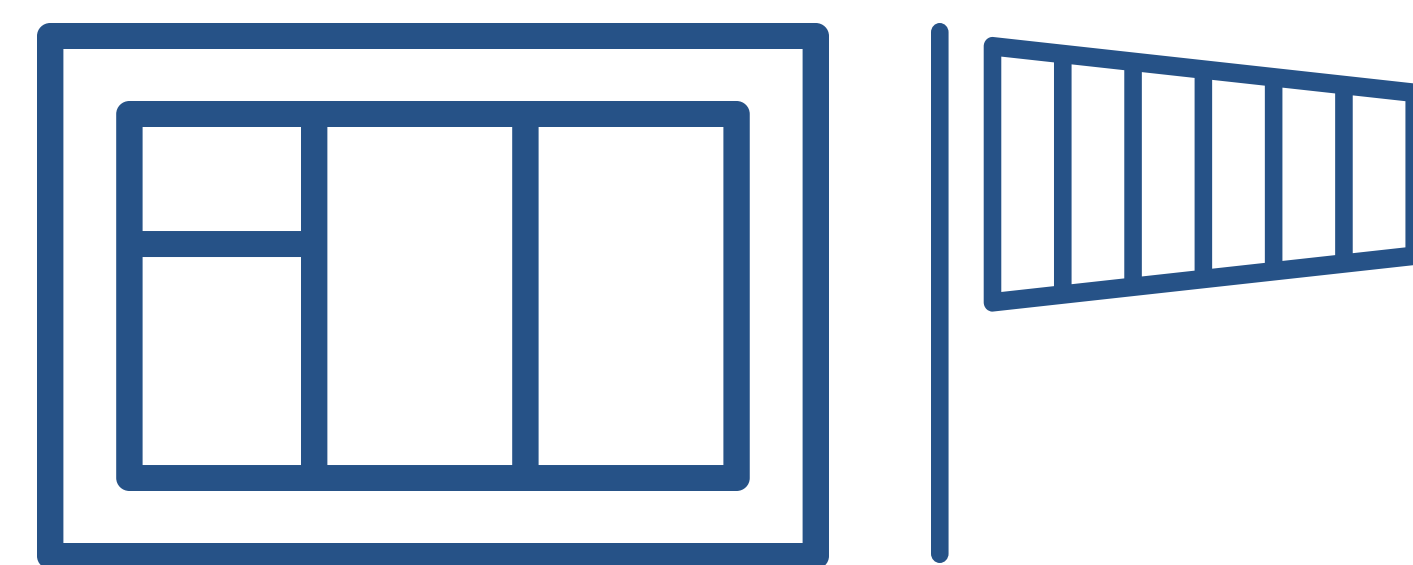
## High Power Suction

We will limit aerosols within the surgery with high power/ dual suction at all times.



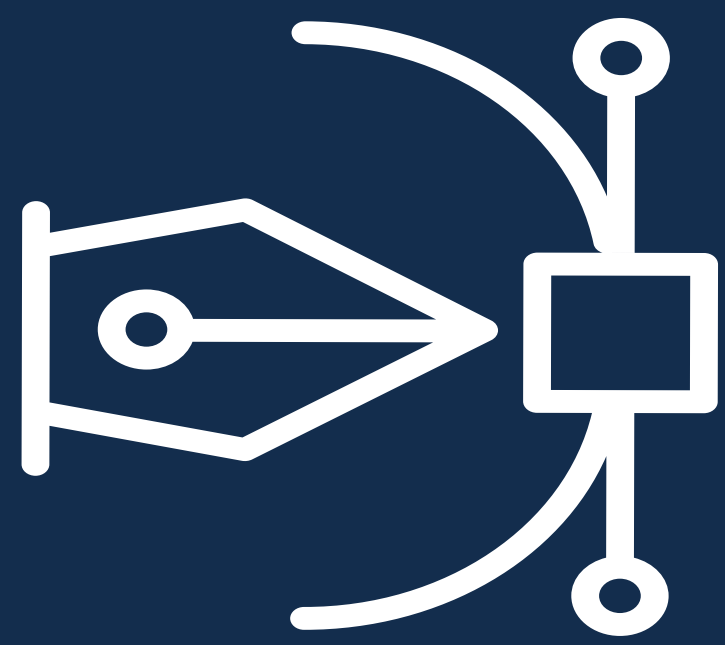
## Disinfection

Once the procedures are completed and the patient has left, the surgery will be disinfected based on current guidelines.



## Ventilation

Our team will ensure the surgeries are well ventilated combined with an advanced air purification system.



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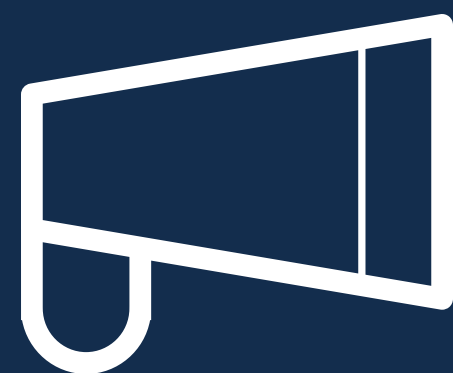
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