

for Dental Professionals

Brief Intervention to Help Dental Patients Quit Tobacco

Date _____

Patient Name _____

Chart # _____

Medical concerns and medications:



ASK about tobacco use: Current Never Former (please check appropriate boxes)

ADVISE about the oral benefits of quitting

ASSESS willingness to make a quit attempt

Willing to try quitting in the next 30 days

- Number of cigarettes____, cigars____, pipe bowls____ per day
- Number of spit tobacco cans/pouches per week _____
- Number of years used _____
- How soon after you wake up do you use tobacco?
 - Within 30 minutes More than 30 minutes
- Previous quit attempts:
 - # of attempts _____
 - Longest quit period _____
 - Method(s) used _____
 - How long ago was last attempt to quit: ____ years ____ months
- Reasons for wanting to quit _____

Not ready to try to quit in next 30 days (re-assess during next visit, encourage patient to reconsider, relate reasons why to each individual)

Recently quit: Any challenges, urges, close calls? Ideas to help: _____

ASSIST patients willing to quit

- Self-help pamphlets & materials
- List of local community group/individual quit programs; **Quit Line 1-800-QUIT-NOW**
- Encourage a quit date
- Medication: nicotine gum/ lozenge/ patch/ inhaler/ nasal spray/ Zyban/ Chantix
 Rx _____(D1320)

ARRANGE follow-up if set a quit date (with permission)

Quit date_____ Phone calls/visits: Week 1-2____ Month 1__, 3__, 6__, 12____

It is important that any medication prescribed or recommended be listed in the progress notes or on the intervention form. Use ADA code D1320: Tobacco counseling for the control and prevention of oral disease.

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