Coronavirus and the Dental Office

Diseases that are not capable of being protected against by bloodborne pathogen standards, like active, unmanaged tuberculosis or novel coronavirus, warrant medical referral and rescheduling dental treatment due to the risk of public contagion. Novel coronavirus is also a reportable public health condition to the New York State Department of Health. The NYSDA blog has carried the latest CDC updates and guidance on novel coronavirus for the last three weeks (people just need to search for “coronavirus”) and the homepage of the New York State Department of Health at: https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus/ has all the guidance members will need on the novel coronavirus, including a hotline to call for advice/information. The NYSDA Blog is available in the members only content at www.nysdental.org