



This is a clarification statement in response to the enquiries that BSP has received in relation to the recommendations for non-surgical periodontal and supportive therapy with hand instruments described in the recently published “risks associated with steps of treatment” document.

BSP would like to clarify that for non-surgical supra- and subgingival instrumentation, high volume suction (HVS) should be used as and when needed during hand instrumentation to remove blood/debris/calculus and reduce the potential risk of splatter. According to risk assessment and the particular circumstances of each case/site, the clinician should judge if a wide or narrow tip can be used with HVS.

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