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## **BPE ADVICE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS**

GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare, manufacturer of Corsodyl mouthwash, has launched a new mobile app to help support dental professionals with the use of the basic periodontal examination (BPE). The app provides information on:

- Background to the BPE codes
- A description and clinical image of each BPE code
- A summary of recommended treatment.

Developed by the British Society of Periodontology, the BPE allows dental professionals to consistently and accurately assess their patients' gum health. The assessment of gum health, together with the provision of support for patients to help prevent periodontal disease, will be of even greater importance once the Dental Quality & Outcomes Framework comes into force in the revised dental contract.

This app forms part of a range of materials that also includes the Corsodyl Gum Care Guidance Pack which can be requested for dental practices.

Compatible with iPhones and iPads, the app can be downloaded from the app store by searching



'bpe app' and further information can be accessed from www.gskdentalprofessionals.co.uk.

## **MAKING SHARPS SAFER**

Integrated Dental Holdings (IDH) has chosen inSafe by Astek Innovations Ltd as its solution to compliance with Health and Safety (Sharp Instruments in Healthcare) Regulations 2013. Employers are now required to use safer sharps incorporating protection mechanisms, prevent the recapping of needles and place secure containers and



instructions for safe disposal of medical sharps close to the work area.

As the UK's largest corporate, IDH takes seriously its responsibility for staff safety and has chosen inSafe by Astek Innovations Ltd., after extensive testing, as the safest and most clinically effective system. The system is being rolled out to all 500+ IDH sites and will improve the safety of the working environment for more than 3,000 staff.

inSafe by Astek Innovations Ltd. was chosen because it feels and operates like a standard cartridge syringe with a range of different aspiration methods and incorporates the most robust locking sleeve. The sharps container enables quick, simple and safe removal and disposal of used needles providing total safety throughout the whole process from set up of the syringe to disposal of the needle. The cost per use and environmental impact is lower than disposable safety syringe systems.

IDH takes its obligations towards protecting staff and clinicians very seriously across the company. inSafe is designed and manufactured in UK by Astek Innovations Ltd. www.insafedental.co.uk

## ACHIEVE GREATER POCKET DEPTH REDUCTION

When you choose PerioChip as an adjunct to scaling and root planing (SRP) in periodontal treatment, you can achieve greater pocket depth reduction compared to SRP alone.

The micro-sized, rounded device indicated for insertion in pockets of 5 mm or more contains 36% chlorhexidine digluconate, and has been proven effective at eliminating 99% of subgingival periopathogenic bacteria.

PerioChip is ideal for use in patients with periodontitis to reduce pocket depth. For example, a dental hygienist in Liverpool used PerioChip in one patient in three placements, three months apart and saw a reduction in pocket depth from 7 mm to 5 mm.

Prescribing information is available on request. Email team@periochip.co.uk or call 0800 013 2333.