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THIS CAN ALL BE EASIER:
A DOZEN PROJECTS THAT WILL MAKE YOUR OFFICE
A FUN, EASY AND PRODUCTIVE PLACE TO WORK!
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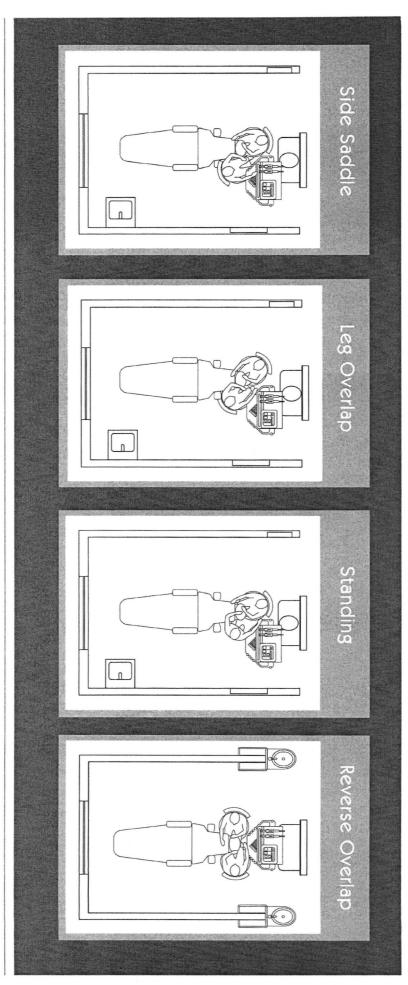
# UNDERSTANDING THE PROBLEMS

- 1. Bottlenecks the goal is to establish flow
  - a. Cross training
    - i. Assistants and hygiene
    - ii. Clinical and clerical staff
  - b. Flexible production
    - i. Don't target production to rooms
    - ii. Don't assign assistants to rooms
- 2. Managing stuff
  - a. It's not just how much you have, it's where you have it
    - i. Warehousing
    - ii. Manufacturing
  - b. You must have a clear, visually inspectable, system
    - i. What you hide you cannot inventory
    - ii. The more of a product you store, the less likely you are to have control of the inventory
- 3. Complexity slows progress
  - a. Room turnaround
  - b. Sterilization
  - c. Treatment time
- 4. Patients need comfort and control
  - a. A relaxed patient is much easier to treat
  - b. A simple way to help a patient relax is to give them control of their environment
  - c. Hide the scary stuff
- 5. Ergonomics
  - a. Biomechanics
  - b. Organization for performance

# A DOZEN PROJECTS TO MAKE THINGS BETTER

<ol> <li>Fix sterilization</li> <li>Organize for flow</li> <li>Consolidate setups</li> <li>Convert to cassettes</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>7. Enhance AV access</li> <li>• Whole office computerization</li> <li>• Dual treatment room monitors</li> <li>• Cameras where you need them</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Make inventory easy</li> <li>Simplify and use best-in-class products</li> <li>Create central resupply area with six weeks of inventory</li> <li>Pursue visual restocking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>8. Light where you need it</li> <li>Reduce glare to the patient</li> <li>Improve task lighting</li> <li>Permit natural light where possible</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>3. Simplify shipping and receiving</li> <li>• Streamline supply ordering</li> <li>• Create a system for lab shipping and tracking</li> <li>• Involve your scheduling coordinator</li> </ul>	9. The customer is king
<ul> <li>4. Empty your drawers &amp; gather your stuff</li> <li>Eliminate redundant storage</li> <li>Convert to compact bins &amp; tubs</li> <li>Convert drawers to slots for equipment</li> <li>Move bulky gloves and bibs in or on wall</li> <li>Use drawers for bulk storage only if office has inadequate closet space</li> </ul>	10. Give hygiene a home         • Increase in-room autonomy         • Permit hygiene to have inclusive operatories         • Mix hygiene and doctor rooms.
<ul> <li>Mobilize your specialty procedures</li> <li>Convert to highly mobile carts with power supplies</li> <li>Organize carts by use groups (i.e., Endo, OS, etc.)</li> <li>Clear pathways for access</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>11. Fabulous four-handed practice</li> <li>Reduce range of motion</li> <li>Throw out the belly bar</li> <li>This is ballet</li> </ul>
Make room turnaround fast     No instruments in drawers     Minimize surfaces to disinfect (throw out the cabinets)     Condense rooms to permit increased room count	<ul> <li>12. There's a time for two hands</li> <li>If you have to walk, it's too far off</li> <li>A great four to two hand setup is ambidextrous</li> </ul>

# Doctor & Assistant Treatment Positions



- Easy to enter and exit procedures
- Allows class IV & V motion ("pinwheel")
- Provides wide range of operator Doctor operates from familiar position

# CONS:

- The least efficient four-handed positioning
- Ergonomically challenging for
- Generally requires belly bar use

- Brings assistant much closer to treatment field
- Allows greater assistant treatment
- Doctor operates from familiar position

# CONS:

 Slower entry and exit during procedure

# PROS:

- Easy to enter and exit procedures
- Allows class IV & V motion
- ("pinwheel")
- Provides wide range of operator
- May alleviate doctor and assistant height mismatch

# CONS:

- Tiring during long procedures
- May create doctor and assistant height mismatch

- Brings assistant much closer to treatment field
- Allows greater assistant treatment
- Excellent for lower arch treatment

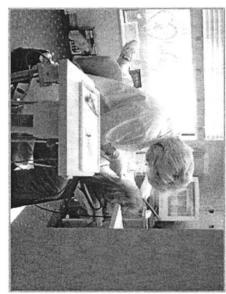
# CONS:

- Slower entry and exit during procedure
- Doctor operates best from 7-10 o'clock zone



# Postures







Uncomfortable Operator, Hygiene & Assistant Postures

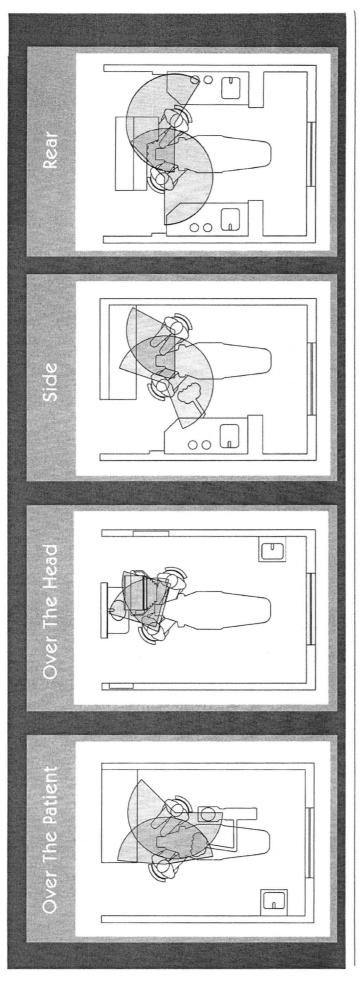






Comfortable Postures

# **Dental Delivery Methods**



# PROS:

- Smaller room size
- · Inexpensive to equip
- Space available for specialty equip.
- Handpieces at fingertips from the 12 o'clock position

- Disinfection/cleaning of treatment space is labor intensive
- Dr. and assistant must work with >180° range of motion
- Asst. trapped in room during proc.
- Dental equipment intrusive to patients visual/personal space
   Room must be heavily stocked
- R/L convertibility fair to poor depending on unit selected
   Dr. or asst. cannot reach all supplies

Height may conflict with existing x-ray

Handpieces at doctor's non-dominant

· Inefficient from the 7 o'clock position

- Smaller room size
- Patients less threatened by handpieces than with O.T.P delivery

# CONS:

 Disinfection / cleaning of treatment space is labor intensive

Great for dentistry from 7 o'clock and

Assistant free to circulate

o'clock positions

Doctor and assistant's range of

motion >90°

12 o'clock positions

Space available for specialty equip.
 Handpieces at fingertips from the 12

· Inexpensive to equip

· Smaller room size

- Dr. and assistant must work with >180° range of motion
- Assistant trapped in room

· Patients not threatened by the sight of

Right/Left convertibility is excellent

hand-pieces

- Room must be heavily stocked
  - R/L convertibility poor
- Dr. or asst. cannot reach all supplies
- Specialty equipment cannot be mobily deployed

# PROS

- · Assistant free to circulate
- Space available for specialty equip.
   Patients not threatened by the sight of
- handpieces

  Good for dentistry from 7 o'clock
- position, O.K. from 11 o'clock Good R/L convertibility is possible

# CONS:

- Disinfection / cleaning of treatment space is very labor intensive
- Dr. and assistant must work with >180° range of motion
  - Room must be heavily stocked
- · Dr. or asst. cannot reach all supplies



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Ergonomic Sources	<ul> <li>"Applied Industrial Ergonomics" – book by Humantech (<u>info@humantech.com</u>)</li> <li>"Humanscale" – book by Niels Diffrient</li> <li>"An Introduction To Ergonomics: Risk Factors, MSDs, Approaches &amp; Interventions" – paper by the ADA's EDSAC</li> <li>"Work Simplification In Dental Practice" – book by Dr. Harold C. Kilpatrick</li> </ul>
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# 17 ELEMENTS OF AN ATTRACTIVE, COMFORTABLE & HIGHLY PRODUCTIVE OFFICE

- 1. Clearly identifiable patient entrance
- 2. Staff entrance screened from view
- 3. Immediate visual and physical access to the front desk upon office entry
- 4. Waiting room seating removed from primary traffic flow
- 5. Patient bath visible to, but removed from, waiting room seating
- 6. The major proportion of the open front desk does not face the waiting room seating
- 7. Conference room accessible by the doctor without passing into waiting room or front desk space
- 8. Conference room location minimally exposes patient to treatment room noise
- 9. Treatment rooms isolated from the front desk
- 10. Treatment room alignment does not channel noises from room to room
- 11. Treatment area is compact, minimizing segregation of doctor and hygiene staff
- 12. Doctor's office near treatment rooms for easy management
- **13.** Space for mobilization of technology
- 14. Sterilization, lab and resupply areas in close physical proximity to treatment rooms
- 15. Radiology areas do not block traffic flow when in use
- **16.** Staff lounge isolated from clinical and business areas
- 17. Expansion easily accommodated with minimal practice disruption