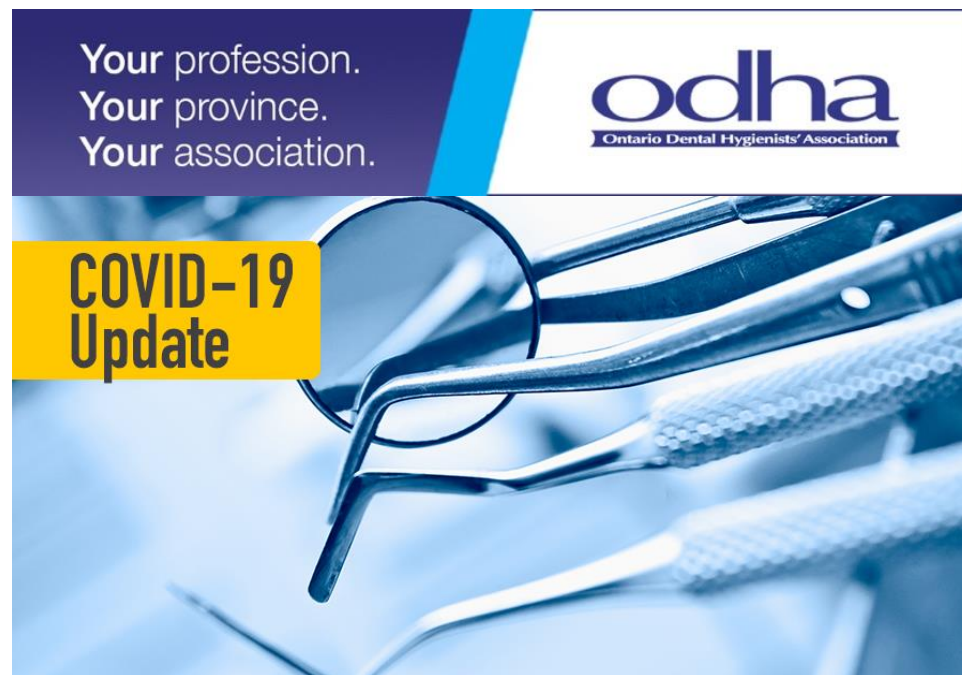


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The Chair of the Ontario Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee on Infection Prevention and Control (PIDAC), Dr. Matthew Muller, MD, PhD, FRCPC, released a letter of recommendations regarding infection prevention and control of COVID-19 in dental settings, particularly Aerosol Generating Dental Procedures (AGDPs).

In the letter, Dr. Muller recognizes clients may have COVID-19 and be infectious despite the absence of symptoms and recommends if the incidence in the local community is not low, additional measures are essential for all dental patients undergoing an AGDP regardless of symptoms. This information was released by the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario along with a statement. The full letter can be found [here](#).

ODHA members are encouraged to contact the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario (CDHO) if there are specific questions regarding infection prevention and control and return to work guidance. It is not ODHA's practice to speak to or interpret return to practice guidance or regulatory guidelines mandated by the CDHO.

To increase accessibility, COVID-19 email communications will be posted on the [COVID-19 update page](#) on the ODHA website.