

7 Phone Process Strategies to Implement as Your Dental Practice Reopens

Below are seven key phone process strategies to strategically put into practice as you begin to see your patients regularly.



QUICKLY CONNECT PATIENTS TO SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP

- Verify that callers are being routed appropriately
- Staff your office appropriately to handle call volume



CALL BACK ALL MISSED OPPORTUNITIES DURING CLOSURE

- Promptly call back all missed patient calls
- Reschedule all missed non-emergency appointments



PRIORITIZE HIGH-VALUE PROCEDURES AND TREATMENTS

- Double down on patients who are booking high-value procedures
- Be selective when it comes to your limited calendar



EXTEND YOUR SCHEDULE TO AFTER-HOURS AND WEEKENDS

- Patients will have other obligations vying for their attention
- · Open your schedule outside of normal hours to meet demand



SET CLEAR EXPECTATIONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT

- Let patients know what has changed coming out of COVID-19
- Should patients wait in their cars? Will appointments take longer?



INFORM PATIENTS OF HOW YOU ARE PROTECTING THEIR SAFETY

- Inform patients of the safety precautions your office has taken
- Have you invested in PPE? Ramped up cleaning? Staggered schedules?



HONE IN ON BASIC PHONE HANDLING AND SCHEDULING SKILLS

- Prioritize each and every patient phone call
- Stay focused on guiding patients to an optimal call outcome

If you have questions or would like to talk further about your practice's phone process strategies with a Call Box Specialist, call 214-446-7867 or email content@callbox.com.