# Dental Health Services Victoria

support for

**Community Dental Agencies** 

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# The role of Technical Services

 Maintenance, Repair, Design and Technical advice to The Royal Dental Hospital of Melb and Dental Health Services Vic Community Dental Agencies throughout Victoria



# The role of Technical Services

- 5 Technicians
  - Over 75 years of Public Dental Health experience between them
- 2 Administration
  - First contact for Community Dental Agencies
- Manager
  - Biomedical Engineer with 20 years of Healthcare experience



#### Repairs and Maintenance

Dental Surgery equipment

Plant Room equipment



### **Dental Surgery Design**

Workspace Design

Functionality – Dentist and Assistant

Chair placement

Wall mounted x-ray



### Plant Room Design

Size

Location

Noise Attenuation

Ventilation





#### Sterilisation Room Design

Workflows – dirty to clean

Functionality

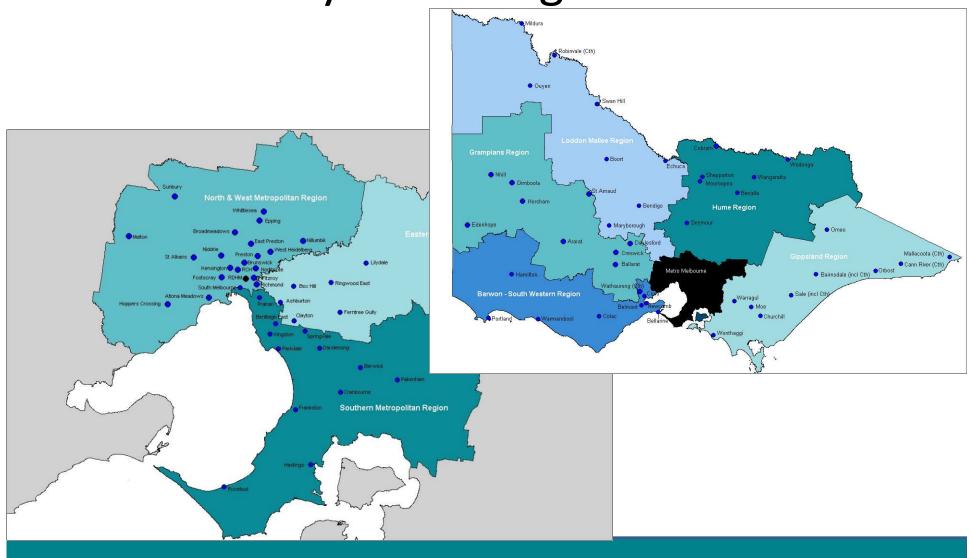
Bench-top zones



#### **Technical Services**

- Designing or renovating a surgery the placement of the key items will impact both patients and staff
- To ensure the Dental Surgeries are at full operating capacity regular maintenance is essential.
- Ensure all repairs are performed by qualified, factory trained staff

**Community Dental Agencies** 





### Avenues of Funding

- Capital Asset Review
- Minor Equipment
- Specific Projects
- Capital Funds
- Annual Provisions



 DHSV receives funds from DH for Annual Provisions and Minor Works

 Replacement of equipment deemed irreparable, or unfinancial to repair, at 78 sites throughout Victoria



- X-ray units
- Suction units
- Dental chairs
- Compressors
- Sterilisers
- N<sub>2</sub>0 inhalation
- X-ray developer

- Theatre dental cart
- Some dental laboratory equipment
- Connections for dental vans









#### Not funded:

- Equipment or instruments to enable an agency to move from office-based sterilising to central sterilising

- Facility climate control
- Facility maintenance or upgrades
- ICT equipment





- Annual initiatives
  - Surgical handpieces
  - Rotary endodontic handpieces
  - Alginate mixers
  - Plant room air-conditioning
  - Portable dental equipment
  - Digital imaging



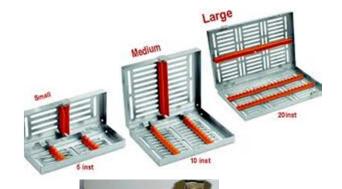
#### **Urgent Capital Assets**

- If dental clinic is being severely impacted and requires urgent works to continue operation
- Immediate approval (subject to conditions)
- Not for equipment that agencies want delivered quickly, without a corresponding breakdown

#### Minor Equipment

- Funding is included in monthly payments to agencies
- PC replacement
- Handpieces, motors and couplings
- Curing lights
- Ultrasonic scaler
- Amalgamator
- X-ray viewer
- X-ray apron

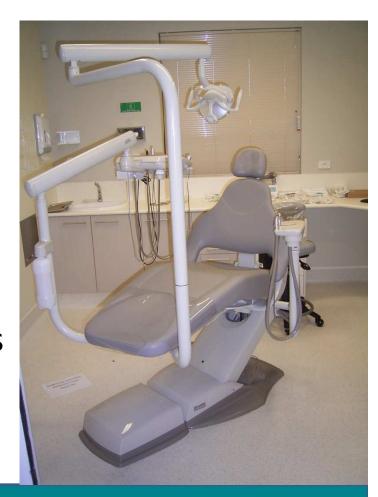
- Instrument cassettes
- Portable gas torch
- Pulp tester CO<sub>2</sub> and electric
- Electrosurge
- Ultrasonic cleaner
- Bench lathe
- Biological indicator incubator
- Handpiece lubricating unit





#### **Specific Projects**

- Funding from DH for specific initiatives:
  - Dental chair replacement
  - Water filtration
  - AS 3003 Electrical Installations (now exhausted)



## Capital Funds

New clinics



- Funding is the responsibility of DH
   Capital Branch
- DHSV will supply technical assistance and advice
- DHSV will tender for the installation

#### **Annual Provisions**

 Invitation to ALL health organisations throughout the state to lodge applications to fund initiatives

 Limited funding sources in the last few years

