From the editors desk

Dear Readers,

Greetings!

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Second wave of COVID-19 in India is an alarming situation and raising fear again especially when the country is on the path of socioeconomic growth.

As a dental professional again we have to observe the guidelines issued by government from time to time. This time the country may not be in complete lockdown but laxity in any preventive measure will lead to great havoc. Again to reiterate, open air spaces are safer than closed spaces, farther away from others is safer than close together, and shorter time periods with others are safer. Hence long appointments with patients should be postponed and all measures to prevent aerosol transmission be used effectively.

By now most of us may have been occulted with vaccine, but remember vaccination does not guarantee COVID-19 reinfection, yes the symptoms may be milder especially pulmonary and cytokine storm. Therefore all those who are not yet vaccinated should get the vaccine at the earliest as per government policy.

Life has to continue even though COVID-19 is spreading, but if your patient is unwell, cancel the visit, and attend the patient with adequate protective devices, (mask, sanitizers etc.) continue to be in touch with patients on phone or video calls. Stock up on supplies like routine medicines, masks, disinfectants etc. so remember if you know the risk, you lower the risk.

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