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At this time, it is crucial for the dental profession to follow the guidelines set forth by their respective State Board, the U.S. Covid-19 Task Force, CDC, etc. for only treating emergency patients. The quandary for the clinicians on the front lines is how to discern what an actual emergency is. They must consult their Dental Boards and use best judgement in triaging patients and minimizing the number of exposures.

They must utilize every precaution for the safety of patients, staff and themselves, employing the most current guidelines for infection control. We also highly recommend using Immediate Vicinity Access to Care (IVAC) for delivering as much care as possible outside the physical practice facility i.e. parking lot, curbside, sidewalk etc. and/or telehealth means. Finally, maintaining safe distancing measures.

Stay safe,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Zena", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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