

COVID-19 & Tooth Fractures

Based on anecdotal reports from dentists, pandemic-related stress and the continued emergency of variants have increased bruxism, and clenching, which have resulted in an increase in tooth and restoration fractures. We would like to learn what your experience has been.

Based on experience in your practice since the start of the pandemic to its current iteration:

Patient complaints about bruxing or clenching their teeth have:

- ☐ Increased
- ☐ Stayed the same as before the pandemic
- ☐ Decreased
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Other

Fabrication of occlusal guards has:

- ☐ Increased
- ☐ Stayed the same as before the pandemic
- ☐ Decreased
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Other

Tooth and/or restoration fractures have:

- ☐ Increased
- ☐ Stayed the same as before the pandemic
- ☐ Decreased
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Other

The number of crowns and/or restorations fabricated due to tooth fractures have:

- ☐ Increased
- ☐ Stayed the same as before the pandemic
- ☐ Decreased
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Other

In diagnosing fractures do you used (check all that apply)

- ☐ Mirror and explorer
- ☐ Dental loupes between 2-4x magnification
- ☐ Dental loupes greater than 4x magnification
- ☐ Microscope
- ☐ Transillumination
- ☐ Dye stain
- ☐ "Tooth Slooth", bite stick or similar technique
- ☐ Other

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