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Hi Dr. White,

Thanks again for taking my call earlier today. To follow up, I just wanted to reiterate that it is now standard practice in Oral Medicine and clinical Oral Pathology to use various types of intra- and extra-oral injections for the treatment of temporomandibular disorders, neuropathic pain and oral mucosal disorders (such as ulcerative lesions non-responsive to topical and systemic treatment). Injections including, but not limited to, anesthetics, botox and steroids would be considered a part of daily practice for any OMOP specialist. Given this fact, I want to ensure that the clinical treatment modalities I am currently using in practice in Vancouver will be permissible upon my return to Saskatchewan. Currently, the CDSS NEUROMODULATORS, BOTOX AND OTHER INJECTABLES STANDARD reads as though these

intra- and extra- oral injections can only be performed by oral and maxillofacial surgeons and not oral and maxillofacial pathologists or oral medicine specialists. I would strongly encourage the CDSS to consider re-wording the document to read as follows:

"CDSS NEUROMODULATORS, BOTOX AND OTHER INJECTABLES STANDARD

The College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan authorizes the therapeutic administration of neuromodulators and other injectable treatments in the oral-facial complex for 'therapeutic purposes' in the treatment of diseases, disorders, dysfunction, including therapy in conjunction with or follow-up to orthognathic surgery within the license provisions of an oral and maxillofacial surgeon, **oral and maxillofacial pathologist or oral medicine specialist** in Saskatchewan. Administration of neuromodulators or other injectable treatments for 'cosmetic purposes' is not authorized for either CDSS general dentists or CDSS dental specialists. Patients may be referred by CDSS members to other health care professionals for the administration of 'Cosmetic Botox or other injectables.' "

I look forward to continued collaboration with the CDSS to help ensure the patient's of Saskatchewan are receiving the most up to date standard of care.

Thanks again for your assistance. Have a safe flight.

- Amanda Gruza