# DEN 2300 Case Presentation

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# **Clinical Patient**

- Ms. P is a 45 year old Black female.
- She is a student with no insurance. City tech is her only dental care until after she graduates and attains employment.
- She is a non-drinker and non-smoker.
- Ms.P says she has never had a dental exam but her last dental cleaning was May 2018. She had 4 bitewings during the same visit and a FMS September 2018.
- She says her teeth bleed when brushing and brushes 2 times a day and does not floss or use oral rinses. Her anterior teeth are sensitive to cold food and drinks.

# Chief Complaint

- Patient says: "I want to remove yellow from between my teeth".
- Other complaints were that her teeth bleed when brushing and her anterior teeth are sensitive to cold food and drinks.

### Health History

- Blood Pressure:108/75
- Pulse:85
- ASA:2
- Patient has diabetes.
- Patient is a non-drinker and non-smoker.

# Health Condition

- Patient presents with diabetes and is taking Metformin 500mg 2x daily.
- Her last visit with a doctor was in November of 2019.
- Tooth sensitivity: The patient has a sensitivity to cold foods and air being blown on her teeth.
- Sensitive teeth is a dental pain that causes sharp localized pain when teeth are in the presence of stimuli such as air or cold temperature.

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### Health condition cont.

- Increased hypersensitivity slows down the care for controlling plaque. Hypo mineralized teeth have really high sensitive levels to cold and even tooth brushing. Cracks and fractures in the enamel can also cause sensitivity as well as receding gum tissue.
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### DIABETES

- Diabetes is broken down into 2 types and involves problems with the hormone insulin in the pancreas. The production of insulin can be nonexistent due to the body producing antibodies to attack the pancreas, this is called type 1 Diabetes, or it could be that the body isn't reacting to the presence of insulin or the amount of insulin is insufficient, this is called type 2 Diabetes.
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- type 1 Diabetes is caused when the body creates antibodies to attack the pancreas. It is believed to be due to genes or environmental factors but it is not definitive. Type 2 Diabetes is caused when the receptors for insulin are blocked with fat or the body isn't producing enough insulin. This can be due to a decrease in activity or due to obesity.

## DIABETES SYMPTOMS

- Type 1
- Symptoms can occur very suddenly and can be severe. These include polyhagia, polydipsia, polyurea, fatigue, blurred vision, and dry mouth.
- Type 2
- Similar to type one but may show no signs or can be gradual. Symptoms include itchy skin, an increase in weight, yeast infections, erectile dysfunction, or slow healing.

# Managing Diabetes

- Diabetes can't be controlled but the patient can manage by
- Keeping blood sugar levels as nearest to normal by balancing consumption of foods.
- Maintaining blood cholesterol levels by avoiding excessive amounts of sugar and processed starches.
- Taking medications as recommended.
- Exercising daily or increasing exercise time.
- Maintaining appointments with doctor.
- The patient was taking 500mg of metaformin to help her keep control of her blood sugar for type 2 diabetes.

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# Dental Hygiene Management

- The patient was very sensitive to the air from the air/water syringe being blown on her mandibular anterior teeth.
- This sensitivity caused for an additional appointment because a block was needed in order to scale quadrants 3 and 4.
- When working with diabetes patients you have to be careful of an increased risk in bleeding and infection. It can be harder for patients with diabetes to form blood clots. The patient should eat before their appointment and the appointment should be scheduled in the morning. Eating can help prevent the patient from suffering hypoglycemia and we don't want our patients fainting.

#### Comprehensive Assessments

Crest of bone: Localized, moderate, horizontal bone loss on anterior teeth.

Calculus: 7M,8D,9D, 10D,25DM, 24DM,19D,21D

# Radiographs



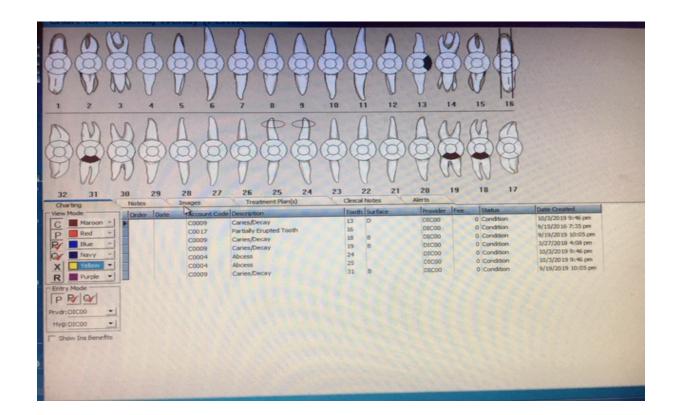
# **Clinical Findings Summary**

- Extra oral/Intraoral Exam: Patient has moles on front and back of her neck
- Her upper left lip near the commissure has ½ inch linear flat scar.
- Patient had nodule on lower left lip near tooth 23 that was resolved by her next visit.
- Patient was classified as a heavy due to localized supra and subgingival calculus.

# Clinical findings summary

- Occlusion: Class I
- Overbite:10%, Overjet:3mm
- Mobility: +1 on teeth 24 and 25.
- Carious lesion: Teeth #18,#19,and #31.
- Deposits: Moderate supragingival calculus on mandibular anterior teeth.

### **Dental Charting**



Carious lesions:13D,18B,19B, and 31B Partially erupted tooth:16 Abscess: 24 and 25

#### Caries risk assessment

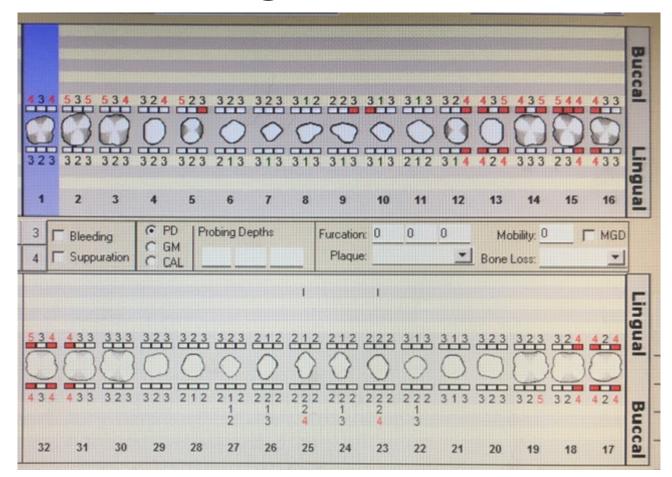
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Patient presented as high risk caries. Teeth 18B,19B,31B and 13D all contained suspicious carious lesions.

# Gingival Description and Periodontal Status

- Patient presents with bulbous and localized inflamed mandibular gingiva anteriorly.
- She is a perio type II with 3-5mm pockets with localized bleeding upon probing

#### Periodontal Charting



Probing depths range from 1mm – 6mm as deepest pocket. Localized recession from 2-4mm.

# Dental Hygiene Diagnosis

- Patient presents with Type II perio with 3-5mm pockets and and a heavy calculus case value. Her BOP was was less localized to molars and premolar in upper left quadrant.
- Radiographs provide calculus sites and significant generalized horizontal bone loss evidence.
- Patient does not floss or use rinses which helps in the accumulation of calculus and caries risk

# Dental Hygiene Care Plan

- Our plans for this patient is to restore her gingival health:
- Help the patient reduce her caries risk
- Help the patient reduce sensitivity.
- Patient does not floss so I suggested flossing at least once a week with a dental pic instead of loose floss since she did not like flossing with string floss and at least rinsing with Listerine (sensitivity) on the days she does not floss before bed.
- Recommended Sensodyne toothpaste to patient for sensitivity

# Dental Hygiene Care Plan

- Patient appointments will be Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Pain management planned: Topical(20% Benzocaine) and Oraquix for debridement.
- Oral self care: Rinse and toothpaste options for sensitivity and flossing options

### Dental Hygiene Care Plan

Visit 1:Cambra. OHI and disclose. Patient education(Sensodyne toothpaste education), Scale quadrant 1. 20%Benzocaine for Pain management.

V2. OHI and disclose. Patient education: Flossing and Listerine rinses (Total Care). Expose FMS. Scale quadrant 1 and 2.

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V3. OHI, and disclose. Patient education: Re-evaluate TB, flossing and rinses. Re-evaluate quadrants 1 and 2. Scale quadrants 3 and 4 with hand instruments and ultrasonic. Engine polish with fine grit paste and 5%NaF varnish treatment.

#### Consent for Treatment Plan

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#### Implementation-Treatment-include all visits

\*V1:OHI. Patient education: TB modified bass method. Disclosed. Scaled teeth 1-3 with hand instruments and ultrasonic. 20% Benzocaine used for pain management.

\*V2:Exposed FMS. OHI.Patient education: Flossing. Disclosed. Reevaluated teeth 1-3, continued scaling quadrant 1, and scaled quadrant 2. 20% Benzocaine for pain management.

\*V3:OHI. Patient education: Rinses (Listerine Total Care). Disclosed. Reevaluated quadrants 1 and 2. Rescaled teeth 2DL,14DL,and 15DL. Scaled some of quadrants 3 and 4 but patient became too sensitive. Ultrasonic and hand instruments used.

#### Implementation-treatment

- V4.OHI.Patient education: Toothpaste (Sensodyne).Re-evaluated quadrants 1 and 2. Re-scaled teeth #2DM,4M,5D,13D,14M,15DM,16M. 20% Benzocaine used for pain management. Dr. Bowers administered 1 carpule of 3% Carbocaine via block for LL quadrant.
- V5. OHI. Patient education on Toothpaste (Sensodyne rapid release).Re-evaluated quadrant 3. Re-scaled teeth #2DM, 19M,20D,21D,23M. Dr. Noel administered 1 carpule of 3% Carbocaine. Used 20% Benzocaine at injection site. Professor Taranto administered local on 2B,19-21 and 23. Oraquix 2.5% Lidocaine and 2.5% Prilocaine used on rescaled teeth. Patient placed on 3 month recall.

# Evaluation of Care-Outcome of care-Prognosis

- Patient says she has tried the Sensodyne tooth paste but was not consistent with its use. I educated her before that it must be used for at least 2 weeks before she will feel the difference. Educated her on another Sensodyne toothpaste: Rapid relief (claims to offer relief in 3 days).
- Patient did see a drop in plaque score after implementing modified bass TB method on 2<sup>nd</sup> visit.
- Patient was generally happy when calculus between teeth was removed and said it encourages her to take care of her teeth and will see a dentist after she graduates in 2020.

# Referrals

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Referral: Caries 13D, Periodontal Disease for bone loss in mandibular arch. Oral pathology for Pap on 24 And tooth 25. Oral pathology was later dismissed by Dr. Bendali.

#### Continued Care Recommendations

 Patient was put on a 3 month re-care due to her perio type 2 status, plaque accumulation and teeth sensitivity. With 3 month re-care we will be able to monitor her care more closely and help the patient continue to keep her plaque formation down, reduce her caries risk, and pocket depths.

#### **Final Reflection**

Ms. P was my most difficult patient in terms of pain and management. The pain slowed our progression down a bit and made me uncomfortable with probing and exploration. I didn't want to hurt her. What went wrong was that I should have looked at older notes from when she was first a patient here. The old notes indicated that she had used blocks before. She never told me when we met and I didn't ask. When scaling quadrants 1 and 2, she indicated very little about being uncomfortable. When I got to quadrant 3 I started to notice her squirming, and noises of pain. So I moved ahead to quadrant 4. She then told me she had been given a shot in her mouth in the past. It was the mandibular anterior that gave her the most pain. She had asked me to start cleaning there first but I started in quadrant 1 and then went to quadrant 2. I should gone from quadrant 1 to quadrant 3 instead because the last two visits were for quadrants 3 and 4. Had I done it differently we could have possibly been finished with one less visit. I did not remember that the blocks could not both be on the maxilla or mandibular. Had I thought about the sensitivity to air in her mandibular anterior I also could have anticipated needing a block in that area. This was still towards the start of the semester and I didn't refresh myself or remind myself about some of the cases from last semester. She was interested in the health of her teeth but said with school and her job not providing insurance she just couldn't afford the care or have time for it. After graduation she said she would have the kind of job that would allow her a better schedule and finances. It's something she has been wanting to do for a long time. I was surprised that she went out and bought the toothpaste that I suggested for her sensitivity but wasn't surprised that she expected instant results even though I told her it needed time to work. She had +1 mobility and we talked about possible loss of tooth but her main concern was to remove the plaque especially from her anterior teeth. After several visits we were able to get it all done and the blocks saved me and taught me to pick up on cues either said by the patient verbally or with body language.