

ASSOCIATE FELLOW CASE STUDY HELPFUL HINTS

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1. Get started early.
2. Assign staff to assist you in gathering information and completing your case studies.
3. If you have not already done so, start categorizing all implant cases. This will help you select cases, assist you in writing the case studies and determining your implant success rates.
4. Review patient cases that apply and select patients that would be cooperative if you needed additional consent forms or pictures.
5. Use the patient chart to develop a complete treatment time line from initial appointment to completed restorations for each case. To insure that nothing has been mistakenly left out of the case study, compare this treatment time line and the completed case study.
7. Use the sample release form in your packet to create a standard release form for your office. Once this form is created, include it with the consent forms for all your implant cases.
8. Start taking completed case intraoral photograph series for all implant cases now. This way they will be there when you need them and they are great for patient education.
9. Start using double film packs for all implant cases in your practice (periapical and panoramic films.) This way you can send films of original quality with your cases. This will also save in cost since duplication film costs more than regular film double packed.
10. Remember the basics. There is no such thing as a dumb question. If in doubt, contact the AAID for assistance.

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