

TUFTS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE, BOSTON, MA EDITOR-IN-CHIEF: INSIDE DENTAL HYGIENE



Course Objectives

- * Improve practice profitability through communication, caries management, using new technology, aiding in treatment planning and strategic scheduling
- * Understand that caries management programs do not have to be complicated and time-consuming
- * Identify dental and restorative materials and techniques that offer favorable long-term outcomes
- * Rejuvenate your career!

Prosthodontics & Prevention

Older patient population
Complex MH, Medications
Caries risk assessment
Diagnosis and treatment planning
Many restorative procedures increase caries risk
Favorable and predictable outcomes

CARIES

Caries is the most prevalent disease in the world

Surgeon General: dental caries is the single most common chronic disease of childhood

Starting at age 60, tooth decay rates are equal to or greater than adolescent decay rates who grew up with no fluoride in the water

91% of adults are affected by caries in their lifetime

World Health Organization 2010 Healthy People 2010, Surgeon General Report

Stranger R, Chall health and the agong population. [Am Dent Annac 2007; 199(9) 55-Beltran-Agalar, ED, Barker LY, Canto MT, et al. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Surveillance for dental codes, dental sealent, tooth retention, edentalism and reamel fluorisci. United States, 1986-94.

COMMON CARIES MISCONCEPTIONS

- Children and adolescents are at the highest risk for developing caries and caries risk reduces with age. Just the opposite!
- If you brush and floss your teeth, you will not be as susceptible to caries.
 False!
- High amounts of topical fluoride will minimize risk.
 Sometimes!
- If incipient caries are detected, the least invasive thing to do is to watch it.

 NEVER!

Who has caries?









THE DISEASE: Dental Caries

Bacteria \Diamond pH \Diamond Inadequate exchange of minerals

Not a hole in a tooth!

Bacteria

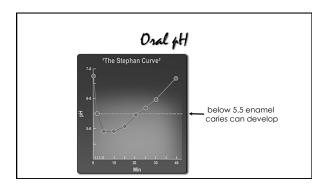
- S. mutans
- S. sobrinus
- Lactobacillus
- other bacteria



- Sticks to tooth
- Converts sucrose to glucan
- Lactic acid byproduct

Acidogenic, Aciduric, Cariogenic





Enamel Enamel Rods Pores Cross Section View

Demineralization

- Constant cycle of acids formed by bacteria on teeth
- Acids remove minerals from teeth faster than the saliva can restore the minerals
- Without chemotherapeutics and risk management, demineralization will lead to caries

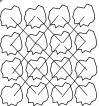
Demineralized Enamel

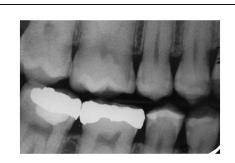
Enamel rods become ragged

Widening of inter-rod space

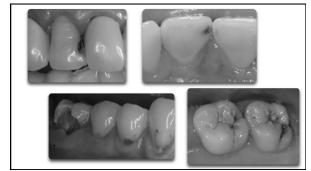
- Fluid Diffusion Occurs
- Plaque acidsBacteriaCalcium

- PhosphateFluoride
- Buffering agents









DENTAL CARIES Impact on a Patient's Quality of life

- ✓ Diminished comfort, function, aesthetics and perception of oral health
- ✓ Increased anxiety
- ✓ Increased cost
- ✓ Direct link to systemic conditions

DENTAL CARIES Impact on a Clinician's Quality of life

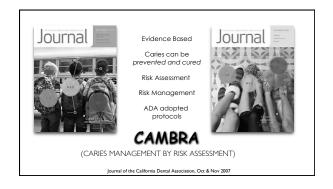
- ✓ Increased anxiety
- ✓ Delivering "bad news"
- √ Lack of control of disease process
- \checkmark Reduced lifespan of restorations

So, we can't see the disease, but we need to identify it before it destroys teeth?!



CAMBRA

Caries Management by Risk Assessment



Why would I consider a Caries Management Program for my Practice?

RECORD REVIEW

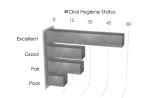


132 Patients
Demographic Information
of new carious lesions
of reversal of incipient lesions
Oral Hygiene Status
Risk Category

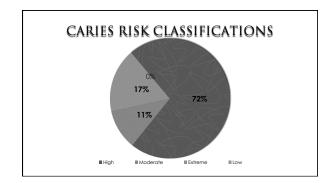
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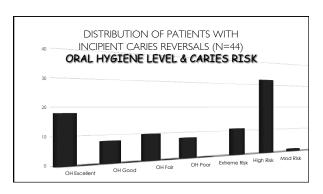
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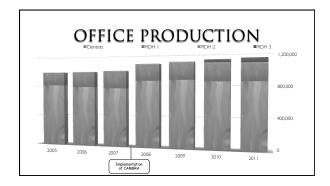
- n=132 (62 Male, 70 Female)
- Mean age: 63 years old
 254 new carious lesions (49 people)
- 215 lesions reversed
- 102 accepted CAMBRA

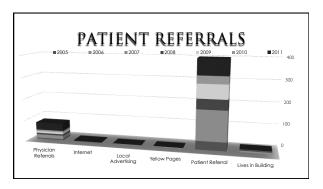


93.87% Patients with new carious lesions accepted CAMBRA protocols











Assessing Caries Risk & Understanding Risk Factors

A BALANCED MOUTH IS A HEALTHY MOUTH

Oral bacteria Neutral pH Adequate mineral exchange

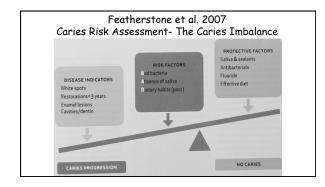


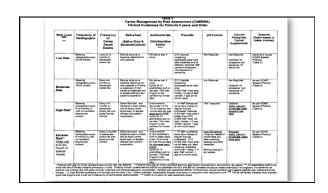
AN UNBALANCED MOUTH = DISEASE

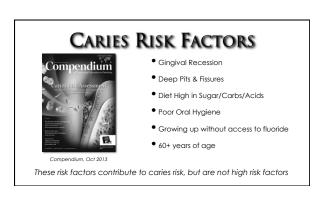
Presence of risk factors contribute to disease

- Bacterial imbalance
- Acidic oral environment
- Reduced calcium & phosphate concentrations



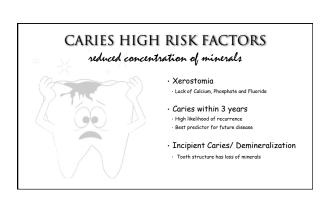




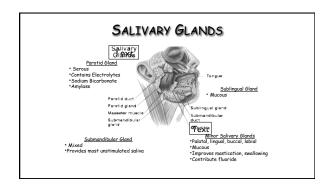








how it works and why we need it



Saliva • Important for homeostasis • 5 Protective Functions: 2. Flushing/Rinsing Chemical Antimicrobial Maintenance of supersaturation of calcium phosphate ions Varies throughout day

Components of Saliva

1. Mucins/ Glycoproteins
2. Phosphoproteins
3. Immunoglobulins

4. Amylase and other enzymes

Enzymes

PEROXIDASE

- Reacts with saliva- forms HYPOTHIOCYANATE- inhibits the ability of bacteria to fully use glucose

LACTOPEROXIDASE

- Component of acquired pellicle
 Adheres to hydroxyapatite
 Influences qualitative and
- quantitative characteristics of bacteria within dental plaque

Proteins

HISTADINE & STATHERIN

- ✓ Control the status of Calcium & Phosphate
- ✓ Maintain levels of supersaturation of calcium & phosphate in relation to hydroxyapatite
- \checkmark Prevent a rapid drop in pH, aid in quicker pH recovery
- √ Bacteriostatic

The lack of saliva effects:

Mastication & Deglutition Digestion **Immunity Oral Homeostasis**

Buffering Capacity (control of oral pH) Oral Microflora

Concentration of Calcium & Phosphate





XEROSTOMIA Systemic Conditions

• SYSTEMIC LUPUS

• DIABETES

• RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

•SCLERODERMA

• HYPERTENSION

•HIV

• ENDOCRINE DISORDERS

•SJOGREN'S SYNDROME

• BELLS PALSY

•DEHYDRATION

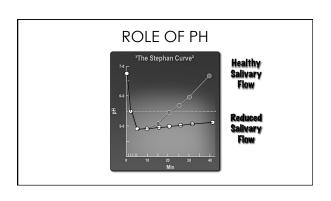
• SARCOIDOSIS

ANXIETY

EVALUATING XEROSTOMIA

"Is your mouth dry?"
"Do you crave sugars?"

CLINICAL SIGNS OF XEROSTOMIA Thick Plaque Stringy Saliva Bubbly or Frothy Saliva



SMOKING Contributing to Caries Risk

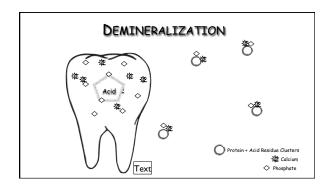


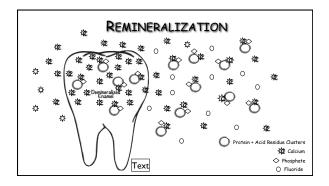




CHEMISTRY OF MINERAL UPTAKE

- Diffusion + ionic exchange
- Teeth made of hydroxyapatite, fluorapatite, calcium, phosphate
- Constant cycle of demin-remin
- If minerals out = minerals in: no net change to tooth
- \bullet Rate limiting factor is the $\mbox{\it available calcium~\&~phosphate}$





CARIES WITHIN 3 YEARS & "INCIPIENT CARIES" "Are we watching or waiting?"



ORTHODONTICS

FIXED ORTHODONTICS

- Difficult to clean
- Demineralization common around brackets/bands
- White spot lesion prevalence 2-97%



Chapman JA, et al. American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics, Aug 201

"INVISIBLE BRACES"



Bonding of attachments
Oral hygiene must be optimal
Can impede natural passage
of minerals

Plaque accumulates on internal surface of aligners

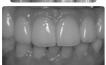
Decalcification of cusp tips, incisal edges common

PROSTHETIC DENTISTRY

Fixed Partial Dentures

- Avg. lifespan: 7-10 years, 87% at 10 years, 66% at 15 years
 Scurria 1998
- •The greater the span, the greater the risk of failure
- Dental Caries: most common mode of failure Goodacre, 2004, Tan





Extensively Restored Teeth 10+ Restored Surfaces

- How did we get here?
- Lifespan of restorations: 7-15 years
- Common mode of failure:





Removable Partial Dentures

- Surgeon General: By age 50, Americans have lost an average of 12.1 teeth
- Avg. lifespan: 74% success rate at 5 years
- Dental Caries: Most common mode of failure

Kapur, 1989



INFECTIOUS CONTACT
Contributing to Caries Risk

Significant others
Parent to child
Primary caregiver to child
Child to child

RECREATIONAL DRUGS Contributing to Caries Risk

Methamphetamines

"Meth Mouth": severe decay, tooth loss, fracture, erosion

<u>Causes</u> drug-induced xerostomia bruxism poor nutrition poor oral hygiene



Most severe when injected



Marijuana

Active ingredient: 9-tetrahydrocannibinol (THC)

<u>Therapeutic Uses:</u>
Appetite stimulant, Pain relief, Relief of glaucoma and neurological illnesses (epilepsy, migraines, bipolar disorder)

Affects cardiovascular, respiratory, immune systems

Directly affects cell activity by suppressing: macrophages, natural killer cells, T & B lymphocytes

Oral Side Effects:

Reduced resistance to bacterial and viral infections Chronic Inflammation of oral mucosa Xerostomia

Leukoedema

Gingival changes: gingivitis, hyperplasia Uvulitis Carcinoma of the tongue

Increased risk for periodontal disease Increased risk for caries



KEYS FOR SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION

√Easy

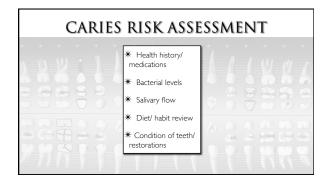
√Efficient

√Economical

√Effective

WHY THE HYGIENIST? Regularly scheduled appointments Direct patient contact 45-60 minute appointments Establishes rapport & trust Provides clinical assessments

• Provides risk management instructions



Documentation

Additional Considerations Oral Health Related Quality of Life Caries Management

ORAL HEALTH RELATED QUALITY OF LIFE

COMFORT

"Is everything comfortable in your mouth?

FUNCTION "Are you chewing, speaking, swallowing properly? Have you noticed any changes in how your mouth works?"

AESTHETICS

"Are you happy with how your mouth looks?"

PERCEPTION OF HEALTH "Do you think your mouth is healthy?"

CARIES RISK CATEGORIES

Low Moderate High

Extreme High



www.dentalcodeology.com

CARIES RISK REDUCTION 3 Principles for Caries Risk Reduction

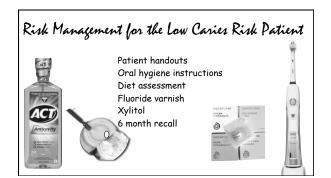
- 1. Reduce bacterial levels/ disrupt bacterial colonies
- 2. Neutralize pH
- 3. Facilitate mineral exchange

Low Risk Patient

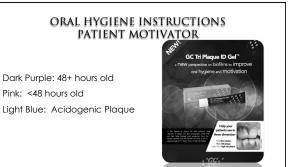
Absence of all high risk factors
No to few restorations
Shallow occlusal anatomy
No gingival recession
Favorable diet

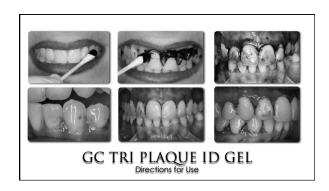


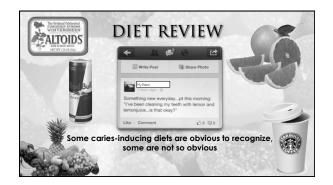


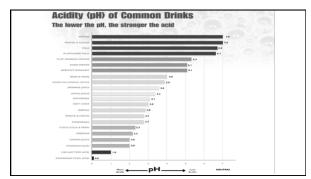


















FLUORIDE VARNISH

WHAT IS FLUORIDE VARNISH?

- Highly concentrated form of fluoride which is applied to the tooth's surface by a dental professional as a form of topical fluoride therapy
- Due to its adherent nature, stays on the surface of the tooth for several hours
- Can be applied to the enamel, dentin or cementum
- Its been used in Western Europe, Canada and the Scandinavian countries since the 1980's for tooth decay prevention
- Many studies report it's efficacy for the prevention of tooth decay or remineralization of early carious lesions
- \bullet In the USA, it is widely used as an $\underline{\textit{anti-hypersensitivity}}$ agent

...but, I thought fluoride varnish was used for preventing caries?

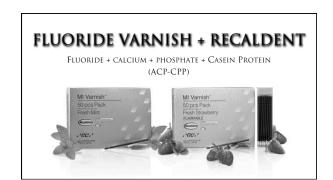
FOOD AND DRUG ASSOCIATION

Fluoride varnish is considered an FDA-approved <u>device</u> to occlude tubules and therefore aid in anti-hypersensitivity

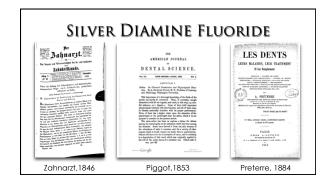
For a varnish to be considered to be listed as an anti-caries material, it would have to be approved by the FDA as a <u>drug</u>

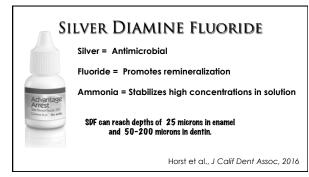
FLUORIDE VARNISH VS. TRAYS Delivers fluoride, calcium and phosphate Varnishes up to 25-75% reduction in caries risk Increased patient comfort & compliance According to the ADA Council of Scientific Affers Safer to patient than gels/foams Acidulated phosphate fluoride treatments potentially damaging to dental restorations/sealants



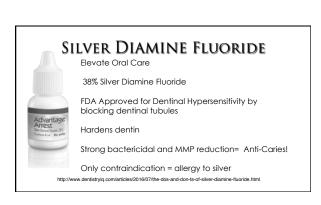












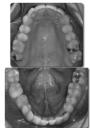


SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE Protocol for Caries Management

- 1. Clean and dry tooth
- 2. Apply SDF for 1 minute (1 drop/ 1-3 teeth)
- 3. Rinse*
- 4. Apply fluoride varnish

Repeat this protocol 1x/week for 3 weeks or 3x in a month

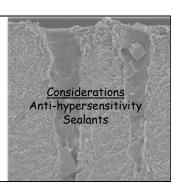




Good oral hygiene
Favorable diet
Shallow to deep occlusal anatomy
Few restorations
Gingival recession
No high risk factors

Risk Reduction Moderate Risk

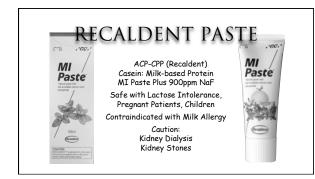
Patient handouts
Oral hygiene instructions
Diet assessment
Fluoride varnish
Xylitol
6 month recalls

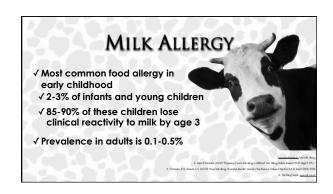


IN-OFFICE ANTIHYPERSENSITIVITY MI Varnish 50 pcs Pack Fresh Strawborn Fresh

GOAL: OCCLUDE DENTINAL TUBULES











SEALANTS for the moderate to high risk patient RESIN VS. GLASS IONOMER SEALANTS

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• Works in a moist field • No isolation required • No bonding agent required • Self bonding (chemical bond) with its high fluoride release • Safe to seal over immature enamel or non-cavitated lesions

GLASS IONOMER SEALANTS Glass ionomer sealant allows Fluoride, Calcium and Phosphate to pass though the sealant to help mature the newly erupted tooth Resin sealants create a barrier and Fluoride, Calcium and Phosphate cannot penetrate through the sealant contains 1400ppm Fluoride-releases over 400 days "rechargeable" with fluoride tx 1 capsule seals one arch

HIGH CARIES RISK

- Incipient caries
- ullet Demineralization
- ullet Xerostomia
- ullet 60+ years old
- Orthodontics
- Recreational drug use
- Smoking
 Infectious contact

WHO ELSE IS AT HIGH RISK? Active Caries Fixed Partial Dentures Extensive Restarative History

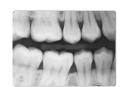
EXTREME HIGH CARIES RISK



- Severe xerostomia
 Multiple medications
 - Multiple medications
- Multiple high risk factors/acidic oral environment
- $\begin{tabular}{l} \bullet \\ \end{tabular}$ Planning/undergoing chemotherapy or radiation
- Special needs patients
- Uncontrolled GI disorders
- Acid reflux, H. pylori, rumination
 High caries incidence
 Uninown cause
 Recreational drug use

"WATCH" AREAS





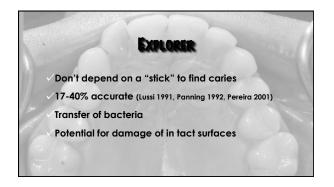
We no longer watch caries get larger, we can now predictably reverse or stop the process!

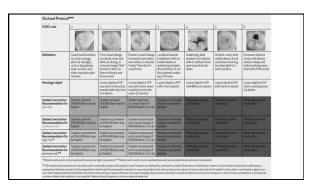
Intra-oral Camera

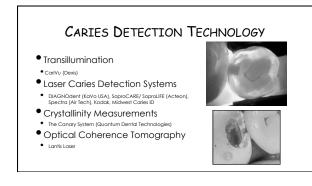
- Patient education
- ☆ Treatment acceptance
- ☆ Informed consent
- All teeth to be "monitored"

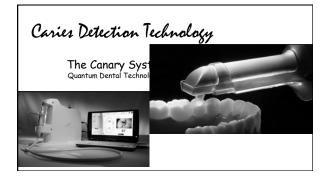
CLINICAL CARIES RE-EVAL APPOINTMEN

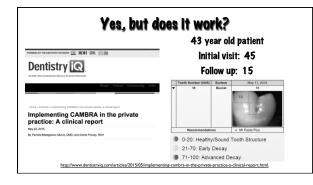
- Provide remineralization therapy (high risk protocols)
- Schedule re-eval with doctor who originally diagnosed in one month
- Continue remineralization therapy or schedule appointment for restorative if needed
- Avoid "the poke"











RAPIOERAPHIC CARIES RE-EVAL APPOINTMENT Provide remineralization therapy Bitewing x-ray 3-6 months Evaluate for reversal, stability or progression Evaluated by doctor who originally diagnosed

Transillumination

- different perspective of the tooth
- No radiation
- Easy to read images
- Pt education
- Diagnosis
- Monitoring
- Stored with radiographs/
 IO photos within DEXIS



Benefits of Transillumination



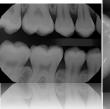
- Secondary caries

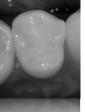
Proximal dentin lesions represented in CarVu images correlate to the actual condition of the tooth with 99% accuracy. Study data on file. CarVu is a diagnostic aid for the detection of open or incipient carious lesions above the gingiva and for monitoring the progress of such lesions. Inclications for use for CarVu are detection of smooth surface caries, occlusal caries, inter proximal caries, secondary caries and cracks.





Caries

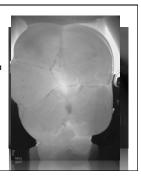






Caries

- Identify interproximal caries from the B-L, M-D dimensions
- Occlusal caries
- Secondary caries



Caries

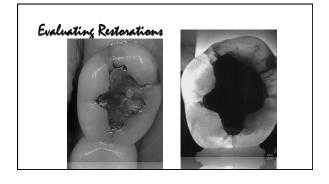
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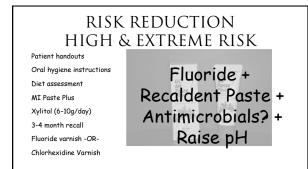


Fractures



































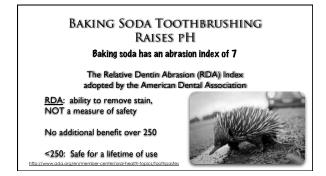




• Activated chlorine dioxide • Antibacterial, anti fungal • Hallitosis • Every day use • Post-op implants

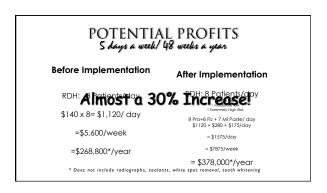


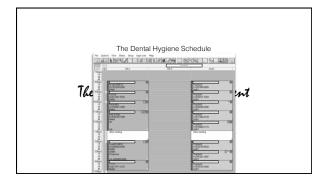
The Oral Ecosystem 400-700 microorganisms in the oral cavity Many are considered "good bacteria". Many have not been named or classified and their role in health or disease has yet to be determined. Consider probiotics!











The hygiene visit with Caries Management

- Seat your patient
 OHRQOL
- Med hx review
- 2. Clinical and Risk Assessment
- Clinical findings
- Risk factors
- Diet and habit review
- 3. Risk Management: "We have a new approach to prevent disease in your mouth so that we can treat you more conservatively.'
- 4. Patient Education
- Handouts
- 5. Periodic Exam with Dentist
 - Confirm recommendations
- 6. Fluoride Varnish Application
- 7. Recall based on risk

IMMEDIATE REWARDS

- Enhanced production within your hygiene department
- Improved communication

Office staff

- Practice at the highest standard of care
- Legal protection

LONG-TERM REWARDS

- Improved patient retention & new patient referrals
- Increased production for elective dental procedures
- Improved experience Patients Office



HERE'S WHAT THEY SAY....

If a patient is caries free for 3 years, the practitioner may consider classifying the patient in a lower caries risk category.

I California Dental Assoc. Oct/Nov 2007

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"If the disease is controlled with medicaments and risk management AND the risk factors are still present, the patient will be treated at the existing risk category for life. I will consider reducing the caries risk classification only in cases where the disease is controlled AND the risk factors are eliminated."

- Pamela Maragliano-Muniz

Summary

- * Dental hygienists are invaluable to a thriving dental practice
- * Get involved in implementing new programs, technology
- * Strategic scheduling for maximum productivity



