The Paragon Client Profile

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"The journey of 1,000 miles begins with the first step!"

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Dream Section:

When you dream about your perfect practice, you image it looking like:		
If Paragon is able to help you achieve 100% (i.e. seminar attendance, up-to-cimplementation through consultations,	date records, study club participation,	
☐ YES	□ NO	
throughout our relationship. As a resu	gon will challenge you on it many times alt of your commitment to Paragon, we will ou. With these commitments in place, the am is not an option.	

Personal Goal Setting

	list, in order of importance, your three most important personal goals.
	Time frame for completion:
2.	
3	Time frame for completion:
٥.	
	Time frame for completion:
se	describe your current strategy for financial independence.

How of	ften do you set goals?		
Are you	ur goals written?	☐ YES	□ NO
How fr	equently do you review your person	al goals?	
Please	list the three most serious barriers ke	eping you from attain	ing your personal goals.
1.			
2.			
3.			

Practice Goal Setting

Please goals.	list, in order of importance, your three most important short-term (within 1 year) practice
1.	
2	Time frame for completion:
2.	
	Time frame for completion:
3.	
	Time frame for completion:
goals.	list, in order of importance, your three most important long-term (3-5 years) practice
1.	
2.	Time frame for completion:
2.	
3.	Time frame for completion:
٥.	
	Time frame for completion:

ease list the three most serious barriers keeping you from attaining your practice	
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	goals.

Practice Information

Name:				
Address:				
Office Phone:	Private	e Line:		
Home Phone:	Fax N	umber:		
E-Mail Address:	Web P	Page:		
Undergraduate School:		Yr. Graduated:		
Dental School: Yr. Graduated:				
How did you start your practice	e?			
How many years have you been	n in practice?			
How many years have you been	n in your present loc	ation?		
Where is your practice located?	?			
☐ Business area	☐ Urban setting	☐ Stand alone office		
Downtown	☐ Rural setting	☐ House		
☐ Residential area	☐ Suburbs	☐ Professional Bldg.		
☐ Medical / Dental district	☐ Apartment Bldg.	□ Other		

Which of the following risk management insurance policies do you carry; please list the amount of coverage.
Disability Insurance
Malpractice Insurance
Overhead Insurance
Business Interruption Insurance
How would you describe your philosophy of treatment?
Which procedures do you enjoy performing the most?
1
2.
3.
4.

Staff Configuration

Name	Position	Hrs/ Wk	Length of Employ	Salary Hrs, Day or Wk	Cross Trained In What Additional Areas

Office Configuration

Office Square Footage:				
Number of Treatment R	Rooms:			
Office Hours:				
Monday		Lunch		
Tuesday		Lunch		
Wednesday		Lunch		
Thursday		Lunch		
Friday		Lunch		
Saturday		Lunch		
Sunday		Lunch		=
What percentage of you Do you participate in ar If yes, please name and	Ch ny reduced fee plans:	ults: ildren: Yes	□ No	_
Plan Name	Type of Pl	an		
What percentage of you	ir collections come from	these plans?		
What percentage of you	ir patient base comes from	m these plans?		
What percentage of you	ir time is spent treating p	atients with the	se plans?	

Is the hygiene room(s) equipped to render rest than purely emergency treatment?	torative treatment other		Yes	No
Could additional treatment rooms be added or	equipped?		Yes	No
When was your office last redecorated?				
Or remodeled?				
Do you delegate those procedures that can be	legally delegated?		Yes	No
Are you confident that your office meets OSH	IA standards?		Yes	No
Are you confident in your blood-borne pathog	gen policy?		Yes	No
Does your office have or utilize any of the fol	lowing? (Please list brands	wher	e possible)	
☐ Dental Software				
# of terminals				
☐ Location of terminals				
☐ Location of printers				
☐ E-insurance claims submission _				
☐ Voice activated perio charting _				
☐ Computerized patient charting _				
☐ Radiovisiography _				
☐ Intra oral camera				
□ Multi-op _				
□ Other _				
☐ Patient education system _				
(i.e. Caesy)				
☐ Panographic x-ray				
☐ Number of x-ray heads _				
☐ Imager _				

	Laser	
	□ Cutting	
	□ Curing	
	Anesthesia Alternative	
	Air Abrasion	
	Light communication system	
	Cable or Satellite TV	
	Water filtration system	
	Outside financing	
	Payroll software	
	Payroll service	
_	Accounts payable software	

On the next page, you will find a chart. Please circle the description which most fits your practice pertaining to each row of information.

Example:

Financial	Accounts receivable is greater than 2 times last months production.	Accounts receivable is between 1.5 – 2 times last months production	Accounts receivable less than 1 month production
	Greater than 5% annual write off	1 –3% annual write off	Less than 1% write off
Fees	Reduced or low for area	Average for area	High or elevated fees

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Fees Reduced or low for area		Average for area	High or elevated fees
Treatment Plans	None Episodic Care	Phased treatment	Full treatment plans
Scheduling	Episodic No goals High churning (turn over of schedule)	Scheduling goals met 50% of time NO more than 20% churning	Scheduling goals met 90% of time Less than 5% churning Using power block scheduling technique
Hygiene Less than 40% recall efficiency Very little soft tissue procedures Mostly external with lots of give-a ways		40 – 70% recall efficiency 10 – 20 % of patients in a STMP	Greater than 85% recall efficiency Greater than 50% of practice in a STMP
		Some external plans Some internal plans	Internal only
New Patients	60 – 80 each month	25 – 40 each month	8 – 10 each month

Team Building / Leadership / Management

Which of the following do you employ in the management of your practice:
 □ Personnel policy manual □ Office procedure manual □ Regularly scheduled staff meetings □ Monthly review of practice numbers □ Morning huddles □ Regular staff evaluations □ Computer reports □ Quarterly meetings with accountants □ Graphs / statistics
Please check all items that apply to salary reviews:
 □ Are based on performance □ Are based on reviews only □ Are based on fee increases □ Are done at the employees' request □ Are based on the doctor's subjective evaluation □ Are done annually according to anniversary dates □ Are not done, bonus plans take care of increases
Performance reviews are done:
 Quarterly Semi-annually Annually Not on a regular basis
Does your office have an employee bonus / incentive plan in place? Yes No
If yes, please describe:
If no, are you opposed to a profitability-based bonus program for staff? Yes No

Please check all items you use for team building activities:					
☐ Regularly schedules staff meetings					
☐ Incentive bonus					
☐ Employee suggestion program					
☐ Group participation in community activities					
☐ Group use of printed material, audio or video tapes					
☐ Group retreats or trips					
☐ Continuing education outside the office					
☐ Social activities					
Other					
Other					
Other					

Finance Management

Your total acc	counts receivable (excluding t	hose accounts i	n formal collections) are:
Aged account	ts receivable totals are:	0 - 30 days	
		30-60 days	
		60 – 90 days	
		90 – 120 day	S
		120+ days	
Receivables i	n formal collections total:		
How often do	you age your accounts receive	vable?	
After	aging, what action is taken?		
Accounts are	written off the books as uncol	llectable at:	
Your net coll	ection to net production perce	ntage is:	
List the outsi	de financing services you have	e available for	your patients:
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
Please check	all items that apply to the revi	ew of your fee	schedule:
	Twice a year		Increased by percentage "across the board"
	Once a year		Increased by a flat dollar amount
	Not on a regular basis		Usually selectively adjusted

Da	ate of last fee increase					
Finance ar	Finance arrangements are:					
	Made in writing and signed by the patient Made verbally					
	Made by one person in the office		☐ Made through outside financing			
Please list	your payment options for large treatment	(i.e	exceeding \$500):			
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
6.						
	bmit insurance claims for payment:					
	Per office visit		Upon completion of treatment			
	Electronically per visit		Do not accept insurance, patients pay for treatment then submits for payment			
Please che	ck all items which apply to statements:					
	No regular billing cycle		Sent once per month			
	Sent twice per month		Sent daily for patient balance after insurance payment even during on-going treatment			
	Computer generated		Typed or hand written			
	Duplications of ledger cards		Done by electronic billing service			
	Include specific due dates		Include ability to pay by VISA or MC			
	Include self-addressed return envelope		Statements are not sent until all insurance claims are paid			

Delinquen	t accounts are acted upon in the following time f	rame	2:
	□ 30 days □ 30 - 60 days		30 - 60 days
	60 - 90 days		Over 90 days
	We do not follow up		
Who in th	e office, decides if an account is sent to collection	ns?	
The follow	v-up on delinquent account occurs by (please che	eck a	s many as apply):
	Phone call after 30 days		Letter after 30 days
	Phone call after 60 days		Letter after 60 days
	Phone call after 90 days		Letter after 90 days
	Turned over to collection after 90 days with phone call warning		Turned over to collection after 90 days with letter warning

Practice Marketing

Please nam	ne your top three sources of new patients:
1.	
2.	
3.	
The averag	ge numbers of new patients per month are:
	New fee for service adults
	New fee for service children
	New reduced fee adults and children
Please list	your three most consistent "Internal Marketing Action Plans"
1.	
2.	
3.	
Please list	your three most <i>consistent</i> "External Marketing Action Plans"
1.	
2.	
3.	
Who <i>consi</i>	stently asks patients for new patient referrals?
	Doctor
	Staff
	Honestly, no one consistently asks

Do you have a sign outside your building?	☐ Yes	☐ No
Is it internally lit?	□ Yes	□ No
Is it externally lit?	□ Yes	□ No
How many new patients per month do you generate from	n your sign?	
Does the doctor make "care calls" by phone to patients in the evenings after extensive treatment?	□ Yes	□ No
Does the hygienist make "care calls" to STM patients?	□ Yes	□ No
Do you have a monthly marketing budget?	□ Yes	□ No
Dollar amount usually spent per month? \$		

Please check all "Marketing Action Plans" the practice consistently use?

Ma	rketing Plan	Approximate number of new patients gained per month by this method:
	Logo	
	Thank you notes	
	Coffee mugs / water bottles	
	Monthly drawings	
	Referral reward system	
	- Staff	
	- Patients	
	Staff business cards	
	Share incentive cards with patients	
	Consistently utilize intra-oral camera	
	Host cookout or BBQ for patients	
	Advertising	
	Direct Mail	
	Val Pak / coupon incentives	
	Press release	
	TV / Radio, public service announcements	
	Newsletters	
	Practice brochures	
	Phone book ad(s)	
	Newspaper / Magazine Ads	
	Participate in Health fairs	
	Paid referral service	
	Other:	

Appointment Scheduling

Our appointment books are usually scheduled (please check as many as apply):

DOCTOR

Less than one week in advance Between 1 - 2 weeks in advance Between 2 - 3 weeks in advance Over 3 weeks in advance In 10 minute intervals In 15 minute intervals On computer up front On computer in treatment rooms In a regular (paper) appointment book Utilizes power blocks (reserved time for larger treatment) Single unit appointments Quadrant appointment Complete arch appointment Utilizes an accelerated technique (use of multiple chair scheduling) Openings are left for new patients
HYGIENE Less than one week in advance Between 1 - 2 weeks in advance Between 2 - 3 weeks in advance
Over 3 weeks in advance In 10 minute intervals In 15 minute intervals
On computer up front On computer in treatment rooms In a regular (paper) appointment book
Utilizes power blocks for quadrant scalings By extended appointment for multiple quadrant scalings On an accelerated basis with the use of a dental assistant Openings are left for new patients

An adult new patient appointment consists of (please check the appropriate clinician):

<u>DDS</u>	<u>RDH</u>	<u>DA</u>	Not do	<u>one</u>
				Sharing philosophy of care with patient
				Blood pressure recording
				Oral cancer screening
				Intra oral camera review
				Full-mouth x-rays
				Panoramic x-rays
				Vertical bitewings
				Horizontal bitewings
				Number of bitewings normally taken is
				Diagnostic casts
				Recorded full mouth 6-point perio probing
				PSR screening
				Perio diagnosis and treatment plan
				Scaling and prophylaxis
				Fluoride treatment
				Delivery of operative treatment plan
				Consultation
				Other:

Recare and Hygiene Systems

Currer	nt recare	e efficie	ency per	rcentage	e is: %
					nts retuning for continuing care in the month they are due.)
The re	Future appointment is made at the end of the appointment by front desk / business staff Future appointment is made at the end of the appointment by the hygienist Appointments are scheduled on computer Appointments are scheduled in paper appointment book Reminder post card is sent to the patient followed by a confirmation call Reminder post card is sent to the patient with no confirmation call Our patients are called approximately 1 month in advance of due date and asked to schedule Our patients are asked to call us in the month they are due				
Please	mark tl	he follo	wing to	design	ate which clinician performs the following procedures at recare:
	<u>DDS</u>	<u>RDH</u>	<u>DA</u>	Not d	<u>one</u>
				00000000000000000	PSR Recorded 6-point perio pocket probing at each recare visit Recorded 6-point perio pocket probing once a year Therapeutic root planning and scaling Sealants Polish amalgams Impressions Pre-appoint recare visits Oral hygiene instructions Adult fluoride, frequency per year: Child fluoride, frequency per year: Utilize intraoral camera Irrigation, medicaments used: Takes necessary x-rays Hard tissue exam Soft tissue exam Discuss optimal treatment Other:

Do you have a strong, consistent soft tissue management program?
Please briefly describe:
Does your hygienist co-diagnose and present needed treatment?
Can your current hygiene department effectively service your patient base?

Practice Profitability

The total office collections for the past twelve (12) months were: \$
This amount represents a% (increase / decrease) in collection dollars from the previous year's collections.
Total profit for the past 12 months was: \$
This represents a% (increase / decrease) in profit dollars from the previous year's profit.
Please provide a copy of your most recent profit and loss (P&L) statement for review.

Breakeven Point Calculation (BEP)

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In order to maintain positive practice growth and cash flow, it is essential to know the economic condition of your practice. Calculating the Break Even Point (BEP) allows you to know the necessary collection and production figures that must be reached in order to meet all expenses, including the doctor's salary. By knowing the amount of collection necessary to meet all expenses, you can effectively:

- 1. Establish annual, monthly, weekly, daily and hourly goals;
- 2. Track your cash flow and effectively gain control of both receivables and payables; and
- 3. Set up an employee bonus system based on true profits from newly created profit, not from the doctor's salary.

Directions:

Complete the following pages of practice financial data. It is best to calculate the BEP using at least 6 months of data – preferably 12. This will give you an accurate Variable Expense Factor (VEF). Variable expenses are those that are determined by the amount of dentistry produced (or in the case of marketing... helps to determine the amount of dentistry produced). The VEF should be updated whenever the type of material or type of dentistry being produced changes. For example, more lab fees are incurred when the practice directs itself to more comprehensive treatment plans.

Fixed Expenses are those that are incurred every month even if patients are not seen and dentistry is not produced. The BEP should be updated quarterly or whenever there is an additional purchase or an increase or decrease in the following categories:

- ⇒ The hiring of an additional staff member
- ⇒ Increase in staff wages and / or benefit package
- ⇒ Doctor's salary or benefit package increases
- ⇒ Rent changes
- ⇒ Equipment is paid off or an additional purchase is made or leased
- ⇒ Change in debt service
- ⇒ Leasehold improvements
- ⇒ Any of the fixed expenses change

Fixed Expenses

Name:		Total expenses from	to	
Total Revenue collected for the	period: \$		_	
STAFF COMPENSATION (Section A)	TOTAL EXPENSE AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE COLLECTED	CATEGORY OVER / ACCEPTABLE UNDER RANGE	
Staff Gross Salaries			(Either use your own goal or use	
Employee Payroll Taxes & Employer Matches Employee Health Insurance			the maximum recommended amount)	
Employee Pension Cost				
Employee Continuing Education (not Paragon) Employee Uniforms/laundry				
Employee other			recommended	
Employee other			maximum is 25%	
TOTAL OF SECTION A			%	%
FACILITY (Section B)				
Rent				
Utilities (water/sewer/gas/electric) Property Taxes				
Outside Maintenance Service				
Other			recommended maximum is 4%	
TOTAL OF SECTION B			%	%

Fixed Expenses (continued)

GENERAL EXPENSES (Section C)	TOTAL EXPENSE AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE COLLECTED	CATEGORY OVER ACCEPTABLE UNDE RANGE (Either use your	
Telephone (with Yellow Pages if applicable) Dues and Subscriptions			own goal or use the maximum recommended	
Internet Access			amount)	
Computer Support				
Overhead Insurance				
Professional Liability Insurance Other				
			recommended maximum is 5%	
TOTAL OF SECTION C				%
EQUIPMENT LEASES, DE	BT SERVICE (Sect	ion D)		
Equipment Leases:				
Debt Service (all loans pertain	ing to practice):			
			recommended maximum is 4%	
TOTAL OF SECTION D			%	%

Fixed Expenses (continued)

PROFESSIONAL SERVIC	EES TOTAL	PERCENTAGE	CATEGORY OVER	₹ /
(Section E)	EXPENSE AMOUNT	OF REVENUE COLLECTED	ACCEPTABLE UNDI RANGE (Either use your	ER
Accounting			own goal or use the maximum	
Paragon Service Fee			recommended amount)	
Other	_		umounty	
			recommended maximum is 5%	
TOTAL OF SECTION E			%%	%
MISCELLANEOUS (Section	on F)			
Outstanding Fixed Debt				
IRS				
LAB				
Supplies				
Other				
	_			
	_			
	_		recommended maximum	
Small Equipment Purchases			is 2%	
TOTAL OF SECTION F			%	%
			recommended maximum is 45%	
TOTAL FIXED COSTS SECTIONS A+B+C+D+E+	F		~	%

Variable Expenses

	TOTAL EXPENSE AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE COLLECTED	CATEGORY ACCEPTABLE RANGE	OVER / UNDER	
Lab Fees			10%		_%
Dental Supplies (not including small equipm	ent)		5%		_%
Office Supplies (including computer supplie			1%		_%
Promotion / Marketing			1.5%		_%
Repairs / Maintenance (equipment)					_%
Repairs / Maintenance (cont.)			.5%		_%
(facility) Travel & Entertainment			1%		_%
Staff Bonus					_%
Bank Service Charges					_%
(including MC/VISA %) Temporary Labor					_%
(contract services) Other					_%
Other					_%
Other					_%
Other					_%
Other			1%		_%
			recommended maximum is 20%		
TOTAL Variable Costs					_%

Doctor's Compensation

	TOTAL EXPENSE AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE COLLECTED	CATEGORY ACCEPTABLE RANGE	OVER / UNDER
Doctor Gross Salary		-		
Doctor Payroll Taxes		-		
Doctor Benefits		_		
Auto Expense		-		
Doctor Uniform expense		-		
Doctor Pension Portion		-		
Doctor Disability Insurance		-		
Doctor Life Insurance		-		
Doctor Health Insurance		-		
Accelerated Debt Reduction		-		
Other		_		
			recommended minimum is 33%	
Total Doctor Compensation (including salary & benefits)			%	%

Break Even Point (BEP) for the Practice

Total Revenue for the period = _____

Variable Expense Factor:

Total Variable Costs ÷ Total Revenue Collected = Variable Expense Factor Percentage

÷ = %

Fixed Expense Factor:

Total Fixed Costs ÷ Total Revenue Collected = Fixed Expense Factor Percentage (including Dr. compensation)

_____÷____=_____%

BEP formula: \bullet Total Fixed Costs \div \bullet (1.00 - VEF) = BEP for period

BEP Annually = \$_____

BEP Monthly = \$____

BEP Daily = \$

BEP Hourly = \$_____

Expense Reduction Action Plan

List the	e categories calculated in your Breakeven Point (BEP) that were too high:
1	
	e steps you are taking to reduce these expenses:

Thank you for taking the time and effort to complete Paragon's Client Profile. The information you have provided is an essential tool that will allow us to help you increase the profits of your practice.

The Paragon Staff