## The Oral Inflammation Score A Quick Guide for DHCPs

The Oral Inflammation Score is a percentage-based measurement of oral inflammation, calculated using the number of sites that have a pocket depth of  $\geq$ 5mm and exhibit bleeding on probing.

Inflammation and bleeding in the mouth can indicate periodontal disease. If a patient is diagnosed with periodontitis, it's important to establish an action plan to help track their disease progression.



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### Using the Oral Inflammation Score in 3 Simple Steps

### Assess

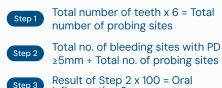
Step One

- Conduct a periodontal examination
- Probe all 6 sites per tooth
- Count sites with pocket depth (PD) of ≥5mm and bleeding on probing

#### Calculate

Step Two

Follow the steps below to calculate the score.



Result of Step 2 x 100 = Oral Inflammation Score

### Communicate

Step Three

- Share score with patient
- Discuss disease state
- Outline next steps
- Schedule follow-up care

To speed things up, use our calculator at www.oralinflammationscore.com or scan the QR code at the top of the page

### **5 Quick Tips for your Next Appointment**

- Recalculate your patient's score at every periodontal examination
- Educate patients on their current disease status

 Document the score in your patient notes for future reference

✓ Use the score to discuss a follow-up action plan

Access the easy-to-use online calculator at OralInflammationScore.com

# Key Benefits *ora*PHARMA of Using the Oral Inflammation Score

### **Enhances patient understanding**

A straightforward scoring system helps make the results of dental examinations easier for patients to understand.

### Tracks progress between appointments

Tracks gum inflammation between appointments, keeping patients informed about their periodontal disease progression.

### May enhance trust<sup>1</sup>

Trust may be built by clearly tracking and communicating disease progression.

### Communicates the potential need for action

Helps exemplify the potential need for timely action in the fight against periodontal disease.

#### Demonstrates progress over time

Results are quantifiable, enabling patients to monitor changes in their disease state.

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