

8. Summary of Key Evidence That Nursing Interventions Influence This Outcome and Gaps in the Current Evidence Base

This section is based on a review of the cited meta-analysis, integrated reviews, and clinical practice guidelines published on mucositis (see Section 4 & 5). Currently, no intervention has been shown to be uniformly efficacious and can be presented as evidence-based standard therapy. Knowledge of experts in the field promote that some form of oral care protocol that includes regular cleansing of the teeth and mucosal tissues with a nontraumatizing solution is best practice, but further research is required to identify optimal agents, devices, and schedules.

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