

## **Datacon Conversions**

Review this document, sign below to acknowledge you understand it, then scan and email it to a conversion specialist with the Pre-Data Conversion Checklist before scheduling your final conversion.

## What is Converted?

For a breakdown of all items converted for each software application, see Conversion List.

#### What is not Converted?

**X-Rays:** Open Dental is only capable of converting x-rays from certain software applications. If your practice does not already have an x-ray software that has a compatible bridge with the Open Dental application, then you will need to choose an x-ray software that has a compatible bridge (if you want it bridged with Open Dental). If your radiograph sensors are using a compatible TWAIN driver, then the Open Dental application can be used to take and store radiographs (as another option). See <a href="Sensor Compatibility">Sensor Compatibility</a> for more information.

Open Dental can also bridge to a number of third-party x-ray software. For a list of digital imaging programs Open Dental bridges to, see <a href="Program Bridges">Program Bridges</a>.

**Claims or Preauthorizations**: Claims and preauthorizations are not normally converted. Staff must manually enter outstanding claims prior to billing in Open Dental.

**Miscellaneous:** Forms, Auto Notes, Treatment Plans, Payment Plans, Perio Chart exams, and custom Recall intervals (in most cases).

# **Additional Information**

**Hygiene Appointments:** After setting up providers and operatories, run the Update Provs on Future Appts tool on each operatory. This will update the provider and hygienist on future appointments to match the operatory's scheduled provider and hygienist.

**Adjustment to Insurance Benefit:** For each patient with insurance, add an adjustment to insurance used to reduce the benefit remaining amount (Adjustments to Insurance Benefits on the Edit Insurance Plan window).

**Reports**: Do not run reports in Open Dental for historical information. Run historical reports in the old software through the conversion date. Open Dental reports will accurately reflect information entered the day after the final conversion and forward.

**Duplicate Patients**: If duplicate patients exist, they will need to be manually merged by using the Merge Patients tool within Open Dental.



### Possible Data Conversion Concerns

Below is a description of possible data conversion concerns for Datacon. Further concerns are possible and should be addressed during the test conversion.

**Appointments:** Appointments may overlap in a single operatory because there's no data indicating which operatory or provider an appointment belongs to. Some appointments may be missing from the conversion if they were not included in the data provided by Datacon. Additional appointments may also be missing if we cannot match the patient name strings to actual patients in the database. The office will need to manually recreate any missing appointments.

**Insurance Plans:** Open Dental is currently unable to convert insurance plans from Datacon.

**Procedures:** We can convert the tooth associated with a procedure, but not the surface details. The office will need to enter the surface information manually.

**Merged Patients:** It is possible that patients with the same name may be merged during conversion. This happens because the data we receive from Datacon relies on patient names for matching vs a unique patient number.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I understand what data is / is not converted from my current software to Open Dental. I also understand my practice's responsibilities after the final conversion.

Print Name, Job Title	Signature	Date
Practice Name	Doctor Name	  Phone #