

# CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

## OUR OFFICE'S SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

To help prevent the transmission of COVID-19, we adhere to standardized infection control measures, such as performing hand hygiene, social distancing and use of face mask at all time. We follow routine cleaning and disinfection strategies, using cleaners and EPA-registered, hospital-grade disinfectant, as well as appropriate sterilization of all tools and equipment.

While our office already adheres to these standard precautions, there are several commonsense recommendations we are implementing to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- Screening patients for signs or symptoms of infection when we update their medical histories.
- Making sure our masks, gloves, and eye protection are appropriate for the procedures performed.
- Cleaning and disinfecting public areas frequently, including door handles, chairs, and bathrooms.
- We have diminished the number of patients been seeing at our office and established a one at a time protocol with no waiting room area.
- We ask that you arrive on time for your appointment, rather than too early. This will minimize the amount of time you spend in your car.
- You will be required to wear a mask to enter our office.

If you have an appointment scheduled and are experiencing any of the following symptoms:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Travel within the past 14 days to affected geographical regions

We will discuss your health status, the dental treatment you require, and whether or not visiting our office will be safe for you, our other patients, and our staff

The doctors and dental assistants will be utilizing appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for your additional protection. We have already purchased new equipment that would help minimize and control the amount of aerosol in the office, such as a Medical Grade Air Purifier with HEPA filter that removes 99.97% of particles down to 0.1 microns as well as PM2.5 particles and can recycle the content of a dental operatory in 30 min (Medifyair.com), we have also acquired an External Suction system with a 3 layer HEPA filter and medical grade UV light disinfectant system. (ADSdental.com).

The **Maintenance/Hygiene program will remain closed until JANUARY 2021**, we will be contacting all of you to begin the rescheduling process as soon as possible.

If you have other questions about our safety protocols, or if you have a dental emergency, please contact us by phone at (972) 503-7200 or by email at the following:

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By following these protocols, we will all be doing our part in this fight to overcome the Corona virus and help return our country to normal as soon as possible. We appreciate your understanding and thank you for your support.

Best Wishes to all,

Dallas Prosthodontics and Staff