

**COVID-19 UPDATE**  
**September 3, 2020**

You will see some changes when it is time for your next appointment. We made these changes to help protect our patients and staff. We are following all guidelines to minimize the risk of transmission. Even after following protocols set by the American Dental Association and our state's dental association, it is still possible to contract COVID-19 while at a dental office.

- To limit exposure and allow for social distancing, we are asking that if the patient is a minor then they may be accompanied by one adult. If the patient is an adult, please come by yourself.
- When you arrive to our office for your next appointment, you will need to call the phone number that is posted in our parking lot and we will guide you with further instructions.
- Please have your masks on as you enter the building. We will have hand sanitizer for your use and your temperature will be taken.
- Appointments will be managed to allow for social distancing between patients. That might mean that you're offered fewer options for scheduling your appointment.
- We will do our best to allow greater time between patients to reduce waiting times for you, as well as to reduce the number of patients in our office at any one time.

In order to be seen in our office, you will need to confirm that you are not presenting any of the COVID-19 symptom (fever, shortness of breath, dry cough, runny nose, sore throat, loss of taste and smell). You will also need to confirm that you have not been in contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the past 14 days. Also, if you have traveled by airline, bus or train within the past 14 days (domestically within or outside of the United States), then the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends social distancing of at least 6 feet for a period of 14 days to anyone who has recently traveled, and this is not possible with dentistry. If you have any symptoms or have traveled within the past 14 days, then we will need to reschedule your appointment.

We look forward to see you again and we thank you for your consideration and participation in our office policies.