

## **To Our Valued Families:**

We can hardly believe it has been a year since the first Covid-19 case was diagnosed in the United States. The past 12 months have certainly been a test for so many of us, but together we will overcome. If you are new to our business, and checking out our website for the first time, we welcome you! You may have some questions regarding our office and the safety of bringing your children to the dentist during a pandemic. We want you to know that your family's safety and comfort are our top priorities. It has always been our mission to exceed infection control practices, and with that, we have implemented a few new procedures to keep all well. When you schedule an appointment with our office, you will be given information about where and when to enter the building. When you enter, all family members will have a temperature and a pulse oxygen check. Our staff is also self-monitoring vitals throughout the day. Before you enter our examination rooms, all surfaces, such as the dental chair, dental lights, drawer handles, and countertops, have been cleaned and disinfected. We also cover some equipment with protective covers, which are replaced after each patient. Non-disposable items like dental tools are sterilized between patients. Disposable dental tools are never reused. Infection Control precautions also require us as a dental staff involved with direct patient care to wear appropriate protection, including masks, gloves, eyewear, and medical apparel. As an extra measure of safety, we have HEPA filtration in every operatory and throughout the office.

If you are ill with flu-like symptoms (fever, respiratory distress, achiness, wet cough, loss of taste or smell), you should reschedule your appointment. If you or your family has been traveling for a vacation out of state, we ask that you wait 14 days before coming to a dental appointment.

Thank you for your support! If you have any questions, please reach out. We look forward to continuing to provide your family with the best dental care!

Children's Dental Care Doctors and Team