



An Important COVID-19 Update for our Patients

Providing quality dentistry in a safe environment is still our top priority as we respond to the newest guidelines for fully vaccinated individuals from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). In these May 13, 2021 guidelines, most recommended precautions, such as the use of personal protective equipment, remain the same for health care settings, including dental offices.

We will continue to follow infection control recommendations made by the CDC, the American Dental Association (ADA), and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Beginning June 1, 2021, here's what you can expect when you visit our office:

We request that you continue to wear masks as you enter our reception area and as you exit the operatory after treatment. Even if you have been fully vaccinated, we ask this of you as a courtesy to our immunocompromised and elderly patients, and as a courtesy to adults and children who have not yet received the vaccine.

When you arrive for your appointment:

- You no longer need to call before entering the building. Come straight up to our dental office.
- Enter the reception area and go to the front desk, where we will take your temperature.
- We will ask you if you have been fully vaccinated for COVID-19. If so, we will note this in your file and not ask you the COVID screening questions. All other patients will complete the Patient Advisory form which includes the COVID-related screening questions.
- Please socially distance within the reception area. Your wait time should be minimal.
- Once we are ready to begin your treatment, we will escort you to the appropriate operatory.
- NOTE: Any family member accompanying a minor, or guardian/caregiver accompanying the patient, will be subject to the same COVID safety procedures as patients.

Our clinical staff will continue wearing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), including N-95 or equivalent masks and isolation gowns or lab jackets, as well as caps, gloves, and face shields. Our office manager will continue wearing a mask.

Please contact us with your questions. Thank you for entrusting us with your dental care. See you soon!