

## COVID POLICY

Covid-19 Temporary Form Your family's safety as well as that of our staff is our top priority. To help reduce the spread of infections, our office has implemented some changes to keep you and your family safe and we wanted to let you know about them prior to your visit so you and your child will both be prepared.

Infection control has always been a top priority for our office. We adhere to all infection control recommendations made by the American Dental Association (ADA), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Based on the procedure, our clinical staff will be wearing disposable gowns, optional scrub caps, KN95/N95 certified masks, goggles or glasses, and face shields. Please explain to younger children that our team will be dressed as 'SUPERHEROs' with masks, shields and capes.

We ask that only one parent accompany the child(ren) to the appointment to aid in social distancing while inside the office unless you are coming for a sedation appointment where we still ask for you to have two parents. All children (over the age of 2) and parents entering the building will be required to wear a mask or other face covering.

Please come to the desk to sign in and complete any necessary forms. After the assistant comes to take your child back to their appointment, we will provide you with a pager and you will be asked to wait in your car during the procedure. One parent will be permitted to accompany new patients, children with special healthcare needs and consultations as these appointments do not create aerosols. At this time parents will NOT be allowed into the operative area for routine cleanings, operative, sealant and sedation appointments. At the end of your child's appointment, you will be paged to come into the checkout area to complete your visit. We strongly encourage you to prepare your child to go back for their appointment on their own.

Currently, our waiting room is only available to our sedated patients. You will see that we no longer offer magazines, children's toys or games since those items are difficult to clean and disinfect. Please bring entertainment and a blanket for your child to each appointment. We will still be giving away goodie bags with dental supplies and stickers in them.

Our office will be kept cooler to accommodate all of the additional layers our staff needs to wear. You may want to dress accordingly.