

## EVERGREEN FAMILY DENTAL COVID PRECAUTIONS

- **ADVANCED STAFF TRAINING:** Each member of our team has completed additional awareness and training and prevention programs to enhance their knowledge and preparedness.
- **NO HANDSHAKES OR HUGS:** However, we will save our hearty welcomes and goodbyes for a later date when things are “back to normal”.
- **PERSONAL HYGIENE STANDARDS:** Along with hair that is worn under a surgical cap, we will be wearing long surgical coats, N95 masks, shields, goggles and all other required PPE.
- **CHANGE CLOTHES AT WORK:** We change in and out of our scrubs at the office. Laundry is washed on the premises. We also wear work only shoes that do not leave the premises.
- **SEQUENCED PATIENT SCHEDULING:** Plain and simple, we are not seeing as many patients. We are allocating more time between visits for coming, going and cleaning.
- **PRE-SCREENING OF EVERY PATIENT:** A quick health questionnaire and consent form and hand sanitizer will be completed when you arrive at our office.
- **EXPANDED PATIENT APPOINTMENTS:** In an effort to save you time and money, we are offering extended appointment times to allow us to do more dentistry in a single visit. Most patients are also overdue for their regular check-ups because of the pandemic. This extra time allows our staff to give you the adequate care that you need.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING IN PLACE:** Fewer chairs in our waiting room and helpful signs make 6’ spacing a practical reality.
- **CLEANING AFTER EVERY APPOINTMENT:** We are super clean as we thoroughly wipe, sanitize and disinfect all instruments, equipment and surfaces in each operatory after every patient.
- **CDC-APPROVED INSTRUMENT STERILIZATION:** This is standard procedure at all times, and nothing has changed. Anything in or near your mouth is heat and pressure cleaned between every use.
- **FRONT DESK MASKS:** Our administrative staff will be wearing level 3 surgical masks and are also separated from patients with tempered glass shielding. This helps to block the movement of airborne particles.
- **HEPA AIR FILTRATION:** Our air has never been cleaner. We have added HEPA-grade filters in each operatory as well as common and private areas throughout the entire office.
- **NO MAGAZINES:** This may make our reception area a little less exciting, but it makes it much safer as well.
- **NO UNNECESSARY VISITORS:** Only patients who need special assistance or minor children should have an accompanying adult or guardian with them.

