



COVID-19 Patient Disclosure

Our goal is to provide a safe environment for our patients and staff and to advance the safety of our local community. This document provides information we ask you to acknowledge and understand regarding the COVID-19 virus.

The COVID-19 virus is a serious and highly contagious disease. The World Health Organization has classified it as a pandemic. You could contract it from a variety of sources. Our practice wants to ensure that you are aware of the additional risks of contracting COVID-19 associated with dental care.

The COVID-19 virus has a long incubation period. You or your healthcare provider may have the virus and not show symptoms and yet still be contagious. Determining who is infected by COVID-19 is challenging and complicated due to limited availability for virus testing.

Due to the frequency and timing of visits by other dental patients, the characteristics of the virus, and the characteristics of dental procedures, there is an elevated risk of you contracting the virus simply by being in our office.

Dental procedures create water spray which is one way the disease is spread. The ultra-fine nature of the water spray can linger in the air, allowing for transmission of the COVID-19 virus to those nearby.

A weak or compromised immune system (including, but not limited to, conditions like diabetes, asthma, COPD, cancer treatment, radiation, chemotherapy, and any prior disease or medical condition), can put you at greater risk for contracting COVID-19. Please disclose to us any condition that compromises your immune system and understand that we may ask you to consider rescheduling treatment after discussing any such conditions.

It is important that you disclose to this office any indication of having been exposed to COVID-19, or whether you have symptoms associated with the COVID virus.