Office Updates Relating to COVID-19

Coronavirus News: Our Commitment to our Orthodontic Family

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While we have been navigating this "new normal" for a while now we want to remind you of the protocols that we have implemented to ensure the safety of all patients and staff.

1. Prior to arriving at our office please complete the health screening survey that will be sent via text message to you or the parent/guardian the morning of your appointment.

    PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU OR ANYONE ACCOMPANYING YOU TO YOUR APPOINTMENT <u>IN THE LAST 10 DAYS</u> HAVE HAD COVID-19 SYMPTOMS, BEEN EXPOSED TO COVID OR IS AWAITING TEST RESULTS PLEASE CALL OUR OFFICE TO RESCHEDULE

2. Everyone entering the office will be required to wear a mask (over the mouth and nose) regardless of vaccination status.

3. Our waiting room is socially distanced so space is limited. We ask that only the appointed patient and 1 parent/guardian (when possible) enters the office so that we can accommodate as many families as possible. We are also asking that siblings not accompany the patient unless they also have an appointment.

4. We are minimizing aerosols in the clinic by reducing the number of aerosol generating procedures. We have removed the main brushing station and ask that you please brush your teeth prior to arriving for your visit.

5. We have installed new centralized air purification systems in both offices as well as installing stand-alone HEPA filters.

   Check out the REME-Halo systems (**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_FCFF9Uj3Zk**)

6. Staff are updated regularly with Federal and State infection control requirements. We also have an appointed Compliance Coordinator who oversees all infection control policies. She will be happy to answer any questions you have.

Nothing is more important to us than your safety and we are doing everything we can to ensure the well-being of our patients and employees as we navigate this together. Despite things being different this is one constant that we will continue to promise you.