



Sandhills Periodontics

PERIODONTICS, LASER, AND IMPLANT DENTISTRY

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Dear valued patient,

We hope you and your family are in good health. Our office is committed to maintaining your oral health while safeguarding our community from the effects of the Corona Virus (COVID-19) pandemic. Your health remains our primary concern. As such, we want to provide direction to you regarding your ongoing care, and advise you of the steps we are taking to ensure the safety and well-being of our patients and team.

Our office follows current infection control recommendations made by the American Dental Association (ADA), the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). We follow the activities of these agencies so that we are up-to-date and adhere to any new rulings or guidance that is issued.

We have also implemented some new policies:

1. Please do not bring any unnecessary family members or friends to your appointment as only the patient (and a parent/legal guardian of a minor) is allowed entrance into the lobby.
2. Your temperature will be taken upon arrival at the office. If it is above 100.4 degrees, you will be rescheduled and referred to your primary care physician.
3. A mask is required upon entry due to the City of Columbia mask ordinance.
4. Our office will communicate with you beforehand to ask the following preliminary screening questions:
 - I. Do you have fever or have you felt hot/feverish recently? (14-21 days)
 - II. Are you having shortness of breath?
 - III. Do you have a cough?
 - IV. Any other flu-like symptoms such as gastrointestinal upset, headache, or fatigue?
 - V. Have you experienced recent loss of taste or smell?
 - VI. Are you in contact with any confirmed COVID-19 positive patients?
 - VII. Have you tested positive for COVID-19? Or have you been tested and awaiting test results?
 - VIII. Is your age over 60?
 - IX. Do you have heart disease, lung disease, kidney disease, diabetes or any auto-immune disorders?
 - X. Have you traveled in the past 14 days to any regions affected by COVID-19? (as relevant to your location)

If you answered 'yes' to any of the above, please call our office at (803)788-9715 to reschedule your appointment. We are happy to see you once all symptoms have completely resolved.

5. Please hand sanitize upon entering and exiting the office. Numerous hand sanitizing stations are available.
6. Appointments will be managed to allow for social distancing between patients. This may warrant fewer options for scheduling your appointment. We will also do our best to allow greater time between patients to reduce waiting times for you.

Thank you for your cooperation to promote a safe place for our patients and our community. We greatly appreciate and value you within our practice and will continue to strive to deliver our very best to you.

Be well,

Dr. Sohee K. Park and the Team of Sandhills Periodontics

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