



Dear Patients,

We hope you and your loved ones continue to be well. The last several months have been marked by unexpected challenges and severe limitations for all of us. The current infection figures give us reason to hope that we can now gradually return to the **“New Normal”**.

Over the last three months we kept the practice open for emergencies only, but realize how routine cleanings are important in the prevention of gum disease. Bleeding gums can lower the immune system increasing one’s risk for viral infections. Therefore, we will do our best to get you scheduled and treat you in the safest manner possible. We thank you in advance for your patience as we try to reschedule everyone.

**As you know, Dr Shew has always followed the strictest infection control guidelines but has also added some additional safety equipment and protocols:**

- PPE – KN95 Mask, Gowns, Face Shields, Hand Sanitizers, Plexiglass Sneeze Guards
- Medical Grade True Hepa Air Purifiers
- Peroxide rinse prior to treatment
- High-Vac Suction Systems
  - VacuLux reduces 90% aerosols
- HOCL Fogging

**Upon arrival at our office:**

- Please wear a Mask which you will remove for treatment then wear again upon leaving
- Use Hand Sanitizer
- Allow your temperature to be taken with a non-contact thermometer
  - up to 100\* F is normal

We have gone above and beyond any recommendations put in place by the County and State and we are all looking forward to seeing you soon!

Dr Scott Shew and Staff,