Infection control has always been a top priority for our practice. In the midst of the current Coronavirus pandemic, we'd like to reassure you that our team continues to be committed to your health and well-being.

We follow all recommendations made by the ADA, ODA, DCD and lowa Department of Health. Our team is staying up-to-date on any new guidelines issued by these agencies to ensure our procedures are current.

We're implementing extra precautions to exceed all mandated safety procedures, including:

- 1. Taking temperatures of each team member before the day begins.
- 2. Installing plexi-glass shields at the front desk area.
- 3. Wearing the best available personal protective equipment (PPE) to prevent unknown cross-contamination.
- 4. Changing gowns for each patient/family appointment.

In addition to the extra sterilization and infection control procedures above, you may notice a few changes at your next appointment.

- 1. Our office will communicate with you before your appointment to direct you to our Covid-19 screening form.
- Your appointments will be scheduled to allow for social distancing between patients (that might mean that you're offered the option of waiting in the waiting room or your vehicle until your room is ready.
- 3. We are proactively cleaning and disinfecting our waiting rooms, patient rooms and are limiting common "touch points", like sign in sheets, clip boards and signature pads.
- 4. Hand sanitizer will be available at check-in and check-out you are encouraged to use it.
- 5. We request that families limit non-essential adults during office visits. When possible, only bring the child/children being seen for a visit with one parent/guardian.
- 6. Patients experiencing a temperature above 100.5, a cough, or other COVID-19 symptoms will be required to reschedule. Thanks for your understanding!
- 7. While things may look a little bit different in our office right now, know that our dental team is committed to maintaining the quality of our care.