

To Our Patients at Martin Dental Care,

We are taking precaution to do our part to help prevent the community spread of the COVID-19 and reduce the risk of patient and staff exposure. The health and safety of our patients and community is our number one priority.

As of March 16, 2020, we will be rescheduling ALL elective and preventive procedures, including routine hygiene appointments, per recommendation of the Ohio State Dental Board. We will stay open with a limited schedule, tentatively 9am–3pm, to allow access to necessary and emergency dental services. This will help maintain the oral health of the community with the goal of keeping dental patients out of hospitals and emergency rooms and thus allow our medical colleagues to focus on helping patients with COVID-19.

We want to assure you our office has further heightened our already extremely rigid sterilization safeguard standards. However, in order to further prevent inadvertent spread of the virus, we ask patients:

- 1) Please provide your cell number at check-in and then please wait in your car until the operatory is ready for your treatment. We will notify you as soon as we can bring you back.
- 2) Accompanying individuals to wait in their respective transportation
- 3) Reschedule if you have any mild-severe systemic disease
- 4) Reschedule if you have any symptoms such as fever, shortness of breath, coughing, nausea, runny nose or sore throat.
- 5) Reschedule if you've traveled by plane in or out of the U.S. in the last 3 weeks.
- 6) Reschedule if you have known contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19.

We will be in contact to reschedule all elective and preventive appointments. Thank you for your understanding as your health, again, is our number one priority. We hope as a community we can flatten the curve and mitigate COVID-19 together.

Thank you,

Drs. Chris, Carol, Laura and Team