

COVID-19 Precautions

At Edgewood Dental, the health and safety of our patients, our team, and our community as a whole is always our top priority. Please take comfort in knowing we have gone above and beyond to implement new-enhanced safety precautions in the office in accordance with recommendations from the CDC, ADA, OSHA, and the PA Department of Health. This is an outline of some of the changes and extra precautions you will notice at Edgewood Dental.

Screening Process

- All patients will be asked these screening questions upon scheduling, when confirming, and upon arrival
 - Have you had a cough, fever or other flu-like symptoms, or a positive test for COVID-19 within the last 14 days?
 - Have you been in contact with anyone who has?
 - Have you traveled to an area that has a high incidence of COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
- If a patient answers yes to any of these questions, we will reschedule their appointment for at least two weeks out
- Temperature screening will also occur upon arrival
 - Temperature of >100.4°F will result in rescheduling appointment

Employees

- Employees will be asked screening questions
- Employee temperatures will be taken upon arrival to work
- Employees who are symptomatic or febrile will not be permitted to work
- All employees will be wearing a mask
- Increased Personal Protective Equipment will be worn by our providers
- Extensive continuing education and training for all new protocols

Arrival

- We ask that you call or text us upon arrival
- We will let you know when it is safe to enter
- Please wear a mask or face covering into the facility
- Upon entry, everyone must use hand sanitizer
- Your technician will meet you at the door to take your temperature
- You will be escorted directly to your treatment room
- Please come into the building alone

Facility Changes

- Reception area chairs placed 6 feet apart
 - Reception area is reserved only for those who do not have a vehicle to wait in
- Plexiglass shields in place at front desk
- [Medify Air Purifiers](#) placed in each treatment room
 - These will work in conjunction with the [Surgically Clean Air](#) units we already had in place
- Magazines have been removed from reception area
- Coffee machine has been removed from reception area

Other Changes

- Appointment times and treatment spaces have been modified to allow for social distancing
- Routine dental cleanings will continue to be delayed until the DOH gives clearance
- High-risk patients may be asked to delay non-urgent dental treatment
- Cosmetic and elective procedures will remain on delay
- Enhanced cleaning and disinfecting protocols in place
- Patients will rinse with [Ora Care](#) pre-rinse prior to their procedure
 - Ora Care rinse kills microbes, bacteria, fungi, biofilms, and viruses.
 - This will help reduce the dangers of aerosols
 - Ora Care rinse will also be available for purchase for home use
- New equipment and/or techniques may be used during your procedure to reduce aerosols

Your patience and understanding over the last few months have been greatly appreciated. We are SO EXCITED to welcome you back to Edgewood Dental and cannot wait to get back to doing what we love – caring for you and your smile!