



We want to tell you about the infection control procedures we follow in our practice to keep patients and staff safe. Our office follows infection control recommendations made by the American Dental Association (ADA), the U.S. 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 on any new rulings or guidance that may be issued. We do this to make sure that our infection control procedures are current and adhere to each agencies' recommendations.

You may see some changes when it is time for your next appointment. We made these changes to help protect our patients and staff. For example:

- 🦷 Our office will communicate with you beforehand to ask some screening questions. You'll be asked those same questions again when you are in the office.
- 🦷 We have hand sanitizer that we will ask you to use when you enter the office.
- 🦷 You may see that our waiting room will no longer offer magazines and so forth, since those items are difficult to clean and disinfect.
- 🦷 Appointments will be managed to allow for social distancing between patients.
- 🦷 Only patients will be allowed in the office at their appointment time and will be asked to wait in their car until notified.
- 🦷 Patient's vitals will include a temperature reading.
- 🦷 All employees will be assessed in the morning prior to seeing patients.

We have also implemented additional measures such as air purifiers in the operatories, improved HVAC filtration, patient pre-appointment rinses, and all newly required personal protection equipment (PPE).

We look forward to seeing you again and are happy to answer any questions you may have about the steps we take to keep you, and every patient, safe in our practice. To make an appointment, please call our office at 972-733-2929 or visit our website at [ShellysSmile.com](http://ShellysSmile.com).

Thank you for being our patient. We value your trust and loyalty and look forward to welcoming back our patients, neighbors and friends.

Take Care,

Dr. Zohar and staff