



## COVID-19 Policy & Guidelines

Greetings Mitten Kids Family!

We hope this finds you in good health. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, our operations include new guidelines and protocols to ensure the health and safety of our team and patients. Infection control has always been a top priority at Mitten Kids Dentistry. We follow and exceed infection control recommendations made by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), and the American Dental Association (ADA). We have continued to follow the activities of these agencies in order to remain up-to-date on any new rulings or guidance issued. As a result, you may notice a few changes the next time you visit us for an appointment. We have made these changes to help protect both our patients and staff.

### OUR COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES:

- We are asking patients to complete a COVID-19 screening questionnaire to ensure that your child, family, and close contacts are symptom-free without recent exposure to the virus.
- We request that all necessary forms are completed online prior to your child's visit in order to reduce check-in times and in-office touch points.
- COVID-19 screening questions will also be asked upon arrival, accompanied by a non-contact, infrared thermometer temperature check.
- Despite the change order allowing those who are vaccinated to go without masks, dental offices still require all patients and parents to wear a mask at all times, unless receiving dental treatment.
- Following guidelines and recommendations by the CDC and ADA, Mitten Kids team members wear masks. We use of the highest level of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for our clinical staff, including KN95 masks, face shields, surgical caps, and head-covers.
- Hand sanitizer stations are available throughout the office to ensure proper hand hygiene.
- In order to minimize the spread of germs, we have removed magazines, books, and toys from our waiting rooms and holding areas.
- Appointments will be managed to allow for social distancing between patients and families. This includes longer appointment times and greater wait times between appointments. Only one parent will be allowed to accompany children to their appointment and no siblings without appointments should attend.
- We use an H13 True HEPA medical-grade air filtration system in all of our clinical areas.
- Our Dry Shield Intra-Oral suction system uses additional high-powered suction, ensuring the highest level of aerosol removal at the point of treatment.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. We greatly value your trust in Mitten Kids Dentistry and look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Dr. Brett Kingma, Dr. Grady Randall  
& the Mitten Kids Dentistry Team

