## COVID-19 UPDATE

March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO OUR EXISTING PATIENTS.

## ALL MARCH APPOINTMENTS HAVE BEEN RESCHEDULED. WE WILL REMAIN OPEN TO ONLY EMERGENCY CASES UNTIL APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>.

In an effort to support national efforts to fight the COVID- 19 pandemic, our practice is taking the following steps to help assure your health and well-being and that of our community:

We are following directives from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and most recent recommendations from Governor Mills as a way to limit patient and staff exposure to this virus.
Your health, and the health of our dedicated staff, matters to us, so going forward we will suspend all non-emergency care for three weeks.

• Patients will be seen only for urgent and emergency dental needs.

Of course, please call us right away if you have a dental emergency or need immediate care.

The safety and well-being of our patients continues to be our primary concern. We will continue to monitor the status of COVID-19 nationally and within our community and keep you up-to-date regarding our plans to reopen for business as usual.

We can be reached for the Waterville office by phone at 207-873-2073 and Winthrop office at 207-377-6958 and will respond as soon as we can.

Any elective dental treatments including cleanings, fillings, and crown work will be rescheduled. Our team will be calling each patient within this period to reschedule.

Dental Emergencies consist of but are not limited to:

- Bleeding that doesn't stop.
- Painful swelling in or around your mouth.
- Pain in a tooth, teeth or jaw bone.
- Gum infection with pain or swelling.
- Trauma:Broken teeth or knocked out tooth.

ADA guidelines for a Dental Emergency.

https://www.ada.org/~/media//CPS/Files/COVID/ADA\_DentalEmerg\_Patient\_Flyer.pdf?utm\_source=ad aorg&utm\_medium=covid-resources-lp&utm\_content=cv-pm-emerg-defpatients&utm\_campaign=covid-19

We apologize for an inconvenience but we hope you understand and thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Drs. Jay Wietecha, Peter Vayanos, and Joe Dumont.