

## Pandemic Policies and Procedures

## Patient Visit Process

- 1. Patient must be wearing a mask to enter the facility and continue to do so unless instructed by a medical professional.
- 2. Staff will take patients temperature before entering the facility.
  - a. If patient's temperature is 100°F or higher they will have to wait outside for five minutes and then retake the temperature to rule out a false positive.
  - b. If again temperature is 100°F or higher they will not be permitted on premises and it will be recommended that they seek medical advice from their doctor.
  - c. If second reading is 99°F or lower, a medical professional will determine if it is permissible for the patient to enter the facility.
- 3. If patient's temperature is safe, they will be brought directly to a treatment room and asked to wash their hands.
- 4. If patient has not completed all necessary treatment forms prior to their appointment, they will be handed a sanitized tablet or laptop to complete their forms.
- 5. Depending on the treatment, patient might be asked to wash their face or use mouthwash to assist in sanitizing the treatment area.
- 6. Upon completion of treatment, the medical professional will check if the reception area is free of other patients.
  - a. If there are other patients at reception, the patient will remain in the treatment room until the other patient leaves the reception area to ensure social distancing.
  - b. If the reception area is free, the patient will proceed to check-out, schedule future appointments.

## Post Patient Process

- 1. Upon completing treatment, staff will sanitize the treatment room:
  - a. Disinfectant will be sprayed on all counters, handles, floor, examination chair and other surfaces where there is opportunity for SARS-CoV-2 to settle.
  - b. Disinfectant will be left on the surface for 3 minutes to ensure that the disinfection properties have time to take effect.
  - c. After 3 minutes, all surfaces are to be wiped down.
- 2. Tablets and laptops used by patient are to be also wiped down by applying disinfectant to a lint free cloth and wiping down the surface.
  - a. Do NOT spray disinfectant directly onto the electronic devices.
- 3. Upon disinfecting treatment room and reception desk, tablet, etc. staff member will log date, time, print their name and sign the Disinfecting Attestation Form that the room was cleaned.
- 4. If multiple rooms are available, please alternate rooms for greater efficiency.



## Staff

- 1. All staff will sign a COVID-19 Consent Agreement, which outlines the risks of working during the pandemic, that they understand and will follow these policy and procedures.
- 2. All staff will have their temperature taken prior to starting their day at work.
  - a. If staff member's temperature is 100°F or higher they will have to wait outside for five minutes and then retake the temperature to rule out a false positive.
  - b. If again temperature is 100°F or higher they will not be permitted on premises and it will be recommended that they seek medical advice from their doctor.
  - c. If second reading is 99°F or lower, a medical professional will determine if it is permissible for the staff member to enter the facility.
- 3. All staff must wear face coverings
  - a. Non-medical staff can wear cloth face coverings or similar.
  - b. Medical staff must wear N-95 masks
- 4. All staff must wash hands upon entering facility
- 5. All staff must wash hands after every single patient interaction.
- 6. At the end of each business day, when no more patients are expected all surfaces in the general area must be disinfected:
  - a. Door handles
  - b. Reception desk
  - c. Office chairs
  - d. Tables
  - e. Desks
  - f. Counters
  - g. All electronic devices, remote controls, light switches, etc. by spraying disinfectant onto a cloth and then wiping the surface. Do NOT spray disinfectant directly onto electronic devices.
- 7. Last staff member to leave the facility will:
  - a. Take out trash and recycling
  - b. Send out all laundry for cleaning
  - c. Turn off all monitors
  - d. Open all treatment rooms and office door
  - e. Run robot vacuum cleaner
  - f. Ensure all doors to facility are locked