

## **COVID-19 Dental Safety Plan**

Dear Patients of Dr. Barbara Sims Dental Clinic,

We are pleased to be able to welcome patients back to our clinic for non-essential and elective services in addition to emergency and urgent care.

While many things have changed, we remain committed to providing a safe environment for you and our staff. We are following infection prevention and control guidelines in accordance with the College of Dental Surgeons of BC and WorkSafe BC so that you will receive safe and comfortable care while at our clinic.

We have taken the following measures to ensure the safety of everyone at our clinic:

### **COVID-19 Screening**

Before your appointment you will be asked some screening questions. These will be asked again when you arrive at the office.

### **Arrival at Clinic**

We ask you to call when you arrive at the clinic. We will let you in when we are able to ensure a limited number of people in the office. Please wear a mask if you have one, otherwise we will provide one for you to wear when you enter our clinic. You will be screened again and your temperature will be taken and recorded. You will be asked to sanitize your hands for 20 seconds before completing a consent for treatment form.

### **Waiting Room**

We have installed a plexiglass barrier at the reception desk, and removed all extra chairs, toys and magazines from the waiting room to allow for disinfection. Contactless payment is available.

### **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

Our staff will wear appropriate PPE for the treatment being provided. This may include level 3 masks, faceshields, head caps, gowns and gloves.

### **Sterilization and Disinfection**

Thorough and frequent disinfection and sterilization will be carried out before and after each appointment.

### **Staff Screening**

The dentist and staff will be screened daily for COVID-19 symptoms.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

Dr. Barbara Sims and staff