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Advanced Dentistry for the Quality Conscious Patient

Dear Patient:

We are delighted to welcome you to our practice and thank-you for choosing us as your dental team. We endeavor to provide our patients with the highest quality dentistry tailored to the patient's desires in a warm and caring environment.

We are committed to excellence and providing you the best dental care at reasonable fees. Our goal is to help you have a beautiful, healthy smile that makes you feel and look great.

We believe that every patient deserves information about the choices they have in dentistry today to achieve their lifetime strategy for dental health. The way we begin that care is to provide a comprehensive evaluation.

During your first visit, a thorough oral examination will be completed. This will include radiographs and other diagnostic aids necessary to determine indicated dental treatment. Subsequently, you will receive a thorough explanation of our diagnostic findings and then a personalized consultation to discuss your treatment options. We will work with you to schedule necessary appointments and make appropriate financial arrangements.

I have enclosed our patient profile, medical and dental history forms. Please complete them prior to your appointment, and bring them to the office with you. Your answers will assist us in satisfying your specific dental needs.

If you have any questions, please call us at 942-9420. We look forward to meeting you at your appointment.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gary T. Umeda



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WHAT WE DO TO PROTECT YOU.....

If you are like most people, all the news surrounding HIV/AIDS and the other infectious diseases has made you more conscious of the need for cleanliness, disinfection and sterility in our daily lives as well as in our dental office. Through years of intensive and ongoing training, dental professionals have learned and adopted techniques of infection control, which have become second nature to them.

For our patient's peace of mind the following is a description of the universal precautions that we follow for the safety of our patients and ourselves.

For each individual patient, we use a wide range of disposable items, including gloves, masks, needles, saliva ejectors, paper drapes and tray covers to protect against cross-contamination. Every patient is assured of a completely fresh set of these sterile items.

We wash, clean, and then disinfect all treatment room equipment and furnishings between patients.

We have installed an in office waterline system to protect our patients. This system bypasses the city waterlines and allows us to clean our waterlines between each patient and at the end of each day with disinfecting solutions.

All reusable instruments including hand pieces and mouth mirrors are first cleaned with a chemical solution and then heat sterilized.

We wash our hands with antimicrobial soap before and after gloving, between patients and even for the same patient. Each patient is served using new gloves; no glove is ever reused.

We wear gloves, facemasks, and eye protection while treating patients - dentists, hygienists and assistants alike.

We maintain updated medical records on our patients through close questioning and monitoring.

We continually advance our knowledge and training on the subject of HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, and other infectious diseases through ongoing seminars and training sessions.

This office is committed to total health and safety and adheres rigorously to the highest standards of prevention recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to protect you. In this office, you may rest assured, proper treatment and proper procedures are stringently observed!

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to let us know. We will be more than happy to further explain how or what we are doing for the safety of all.