## **COVID-19 QUARANTINE PROTOCOLS**

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Unfortunately COVID-19 cases and exposures have been rising steadily in our community. In December 2021, the CDC updated its guidelines and recommendations regarding quarantine and isolation for patients who have been exposed to or who may have contracted the virus. Because of the nature of dental procedures which require close proximity to the oral cavity of the patient, we will follow the more strict CDC guidelines to determine when a patient who finds himself in either situation, is allowed to come to the office for a dental appointment.

## **Protocol for patients with Suspected Exposures to COVID-19**

If you think that you may have been exposed to Covid-19, we request that you refrain from having a dental procedure for 10 days from the date of your exposure. This applies even to patients that are fully vaccinated.

## Protocol for patients who have been diagnosed with COVID-19

If you have tested positive for Covid-19, whether you experienced symptoms or not, we ask that you refrain from having a dental procedure for 14 days from the day of your test. If you become symptomatic after the test, then we ask you to refrain from dental procedures for 14 days for the start of symptoms.

We thank-you in advance for your cooperation. The safety of our patients and our staff is our priority. Do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions.

Stay safe and healthy.

Dr. Ibrahim and Staff