

## WELCOME TO OUR PRACTICE!!

We'd like to welcome you and your children to our pediatric dental practice. Our goals are to make your child's dental visits enjoyable, while providing the highest quality pediatric dental care available anywhere. Many of the dental problems children can have are avoidable, therefore we stress prevention and early detection of oral and dental problems as much as possible. To that end, we encourage questions from parents and children, and hope you will feel free to tell the doctors or staff about any concerns you may have about your child's oral health.

Dental emergencies occur more frequently than you might expect. For your benefit the doctors are available by pager on evenings and weekends. If you need to reach us after hours, call our office number and specifically follow the directions on the recording. We should be able to return your call in 15 minutes or less, but if we do not, please repeat your page. Our doctors cover their own call the vast majority of the time, however, when all three doctors are unavailable we always have another pediatric dentist on call. Please remember to follow the instructions on our answering machine carefully.

As your child grows we will be stressing prevention of dental problems through good oral hygiene at home, a sensible diet and regular professional care. This approach can be very effective, and is more pleasant and less expensive than simply waiting until a dental problem becomes painful before seeking treatment. Today's children can expect a level of dental health undreamed of only a generation ago. If well cared for, your child's teeth and jaws will provide your child with a lifetime of healthy and happy smiles.

Once Again, we welcome you to our practice!

Cordially,

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