

Covid Disclaimer

Please be assured that the Durham College Dental Clinic (the “**Clinic**”) is compliant with infection control standards as outlined by the College of Dental Hygienists and Public Health Ontario (**governing bodies**), and will continue to comply with these standards. Enhanced screening and safety protocols have been implemented based on these governing bodies. We will only accommodate and treat clients who comply with the implemented enhanced screening and safety protocols.

Despite compliance with governing bodies’ requirements and regulations, there is still an increased chance of exposure to illnesses, based on the characteristics of dental procedures. Due to the nature of the procedures provided, it is not possible to maintain a physical distance of two metres between the client and treatment provider. We have limited the number of clients and treatment providers in the Clinic and all participants will wear appropriate PPE.

In an effort to reduce the risk of disease transmission, modifications have been made to the treatment the Clinic provides. Any treatment that creates aerosols (polishing, ultrasonic scaling, pit and fissure sealants) will be completed in a separate, enclosed space. This means that the Clinic will be providing limited procedures that generate aerosols.

As COVID-19 has a long incubation period during which carriers of the virus may not show symptoms and still be contagious, you are required to report to the Clinic any of the COVID-19 symptoms listed (fever, coughing, difficulty breathing etc.), experienced within 14 days following your appointment.

At the commencement of care, you will be asked to sign to indicate that you completed the screening form to the best of your knowledge and that you are aware of the potential risks involved in your visit to the Clinic.