



*Tye Family Dentistry*

## **Clinical Policy**

For our office to provide a premium standard of care, we require updates to your medical and dental records regularly. There may be an additional cost to you depending on your insurance coverage, however you will receive a treatment plan with the cost estimate before treatment.

### **X-rays**

We require all patients to have a current set of x-rays on record. This includes a full set of bite wing x-rays at least every two years, and a panoramic x-ray every 5 years.

### **Medical History Update**

We require all patients to complete a medical history update at least every two years or when there is a change in medical history. You will receive a text message with a link to complete the form or will be asked to finish it before your appointment.

### **Periodontal disease and Periodontal Maintenance cleanings**

Periodontal disease is diagnosed by multiple factors. X-rays and yearly periodontal charting assist the hygienist and/or dentist when diagnosing periodontal disease, and what treatment is best to maintain it. If you are diagnosed with the disease, your cleaning will not be a “normal” preventive cleaning. You may require a deep cleaning, which goes below the gum tissue into pockets where bacteria are acquired. Sometimes you will be asked to be treated two, three, or four times a year. Once the periodontal disease is maintained and stable, your cleanings will be called Periodontal Maintenance cleanings. Although there may be an additional charge for these deep cleanings, they are a requirement in our office to maintain your oral health.

### **Nitrous Oxide**

Because we want all our patients to be comfortable during their dental treatments, we offer Nitrous Oxide to assist with anxiety and/or nervousness. We charge a fee of \$35.00 each appointment you request to use it. Children 12 and younger will be offered nitrous oxide with no additional charge.