

## Infection Control

Crescent Dental Associates has met and often exceeds the recommendation of the Center For Disease Control and the American Dental Association since their guidelines were first introduced.

- All of our dental handpieces and hand instruments are put through a state of the art autoclave sterilization after **EVERY PATIENT USE**.
- We use as many disposable items as possible. All of these items are discarded after every patient. Masks, towels, cups and similar items are never used more than once.
- Equipment handles are also protected with disposable plastic covers.
- The staff always practices proper hand washing techniques.
- The staff's practice of using gloves and changing them before every patient is never violated.
- Before and after each patient, all work surfaces, chairs, lights and units are disinfected with a strong bacterial and ..... agent.
- Training of our staff is an ongoing process with in-office review of sterilization procedures as well as continued education courses to learn the latest techniques.