



WELCOME TO OUR PRACTICE!

We are pleased that you have turned to us for your orthodontic treatment needs and we cordially welcome you and your family. Our purpose is to help change the face of the world, one warm friendly smile at a time. We pride ourselves in personally acknowledging each patient in a caring and compassionate manner because we truly want you to believe that warm, friendly smiles can make a difference. Our practice mission is to provide a quality orthodontic result in the shortest possible time with minimal discomfort. We strive to provide a positive experience that will result in an ideal bite and a great smile. We will do our best because we want you to have a beautiful smile and hope you will feel comfortable in recommending us to your family and friends. We are excited to have the opportunity to help you with this very important and healthy self-improvement project.

YOUR FIRST VISIT

You or your child will be examined by Dr. Zody and a member of our team to determine the need for active treatment or pre-treatment orthodontic guidance. A panoramic x-ray and digital photos may be taken to aid in the initial diagnosis. If treatment is needed, you will be given appointments for records (x-rays or images, digital photos, plaster models) and a conference to further discuss the planned treatment. Proper oral hygiene and cooperation in the team approach to orthodontic treatment will also be discussed in order to provide you with the best result possible in an efficient manner. We will also provide you with information on several convenient payment options that will assist you in your personal and financial investment in orthodontics. **We look forward to seeing you!**

BENEFITS

After orthodontic treatment in our practice you can expect the following benefits:

- *A more beautiful smile
- *Improved dental health (teeth, gingiva, and bone)
- *Improved facial appearance
- *Greater self-esteem / enhanced self-image

We believe that children should be examined around age seven (7). Rapid growth and development takes place in children between the ages of 5 and 10. Some serious orthodontic problems can be treated more effectively in this age group. In some cases, early intervention can reduce later extensive treatment and provide early self-esteem.

Early assessment allows us to schedule 6-month re-evaluation visits at no charge so that treatment can be started at the optimum time.

An increasingly high percentage of our patients are adults including some grandparents and retirees. It is never too early or too late for adults to have the smile that you have always wanted, or to achieve a better bite and functional harmony.