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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE TO ALL PATIENTS

The office of Dr. Lullove will remain open during the COVID-19 Pandemic Crisis. As a healthcare provider, Dr. Lullove understands the need that patients have to be taken care of amidst the current crisis. The following are steps that Dr. Lullove has taken to ensure decreased exposure to patients while at the office:

- The office is comprehensively wiped down with antimicrobial medical-grade wipes twice daily, once after the morning appointments and once at the end of the day.
- Patient office appointments shall be scheduled normal, but there will be no doublebooking during the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- All patients will be temperature screened upon entering the office in the waiting room and will be sent home if their temperature exceeds 99.5 F as a precaution.
- All instruments used will be either sitting cold-sterile for a minimum of 20 minutes (10 minutes past normal) or will be opened in front of patients in sterile packs.

The virus is passed through air-to-air transmission of droplets. Wounds and wound fluids do not transmit disease. The office shall continue to use Universal Precautions with all patients.

We ask that all patients use the hand sanitizers in each room prior to leaving the treatment rooms as well as using the soap in bathrooms to do a full-hand washing prior to exiting the bathroom facilities.

As per the CDC, if you think you are sick, have respiratory symptoms (consistent dry cough) or have a temperature greater than 100F, please do not come to the office. Please call us to reschedule your appointment. The office will also contact your primary care physician to arrange for a COVID-19 test.

We hope that everyone stays safe and we look forward to continuing care as planned.

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