

We are so excited that you are coming in to see us. **Really.** We love meeting new families. It's a chance to meet interesting people from our community and look at their teeth. Of course, at your child's first visit with us, I will check their teeth and the rest of their mouth. But it's more about getting to know each other and learning healthy dental habits. While we're sure you've made great efforts to impart good dental habits in your kids, we want to be partners in their continuing education. Don't worry, there's not much homework and the tests are only twice a year.

My team wants to get to know your kids so that we can teach them good brushing and eating habits. Even if it's been some time since they've been to the dentist, have no fear, good habits can always be learned. In time, we hope that going to the dentist won't be a chore, but a fun trip where kids' mouths come out feeling refreshed and clean - like a luxury tooth spa. And maybe, just maybe, the better they care for their teeth going forward, the more relaxing and fun each visit to the dentist is. Who wouldn't want to do that?

Now that you've decided to bring your kids to **Caring Tree Children's Dentistry**, let's talk about some details that can help make the visit comfortable and speedy. **If I don't have it already, the first thing I'll need from you is your physical address - you can text or email it to me.** I'm not gonna mail you anything, but it helps our fancy software confirm you are you when I send you forms. Then, within a few days of getting this charming letter, you will get a text or email from us asking you to complete our **New Patient forms**. No need to print them, you can do them from the convenience of your fancy phone. You'll just need to know your **kid's birthday** and **address** and you'll get a personalized PIN customized just for you. We ask that you complete them as soon as possible so we can be ready for when we first meet. That's it.

So, what's it like at Caring Tree Children's Dentistry? When you get here (assuming you filled out those fancy forms) I will come out to meet your child. Then, most kids get to lay on a very comfy bench and watch a movie while my team and I clean and look at their teeth. And you get to watch everything that happens from our waiting room. If your kids are new to the dentist, or they haven't gone in a while, we're also going to ask for X-rays. All in all, the entire visit should take about half an hour.

Oh, and we always make another appointment before you leave so you don't have your kids bugging you every day asking if they're going back to see Dr. K!

See you soon!

Michelle Kucera, DDS (Dr. K)