

Dear New Patient:

As part of your initial examination and dental cleaning, two to four cavity detecting bitewing xrays will usually be taken.

There is another type of xray we recommend to new patients for complete diagnosis and treatment planning. It is an extraoral digital panoramic xray and provides detection of many problems that cannot be detected by looking in the mouth or examining a small bitewing xray. These include abscessed teeth, impacted teeth, cysts, congenitally missing or extra teeth, bone defects, periodontal disease, and odontogenic tumors.

For those with dental insurance, it is usually covered within the preventive category once every three to five years. We strongly recommend it so that hidden problem areas may be discovered.

For those **without** dental insurance, the fee for the full mouth series of xrays is (\$165.00) and the fee for four bitewing xrays is (\$61.00)

We would like you to consider having this complete xray examination. Please indicate your decision below.

Please check one:

_____ Include a panoramic xray and bitewing xrays as part of my examination.

_____ Include the bitewing xrays only as part of my examination.

_____ I do not wish to have any xrays taken. I understand that without them, possible problems may go undetected.

Signature _____ Date _____