

# COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Patients,

Nothing is more important to us than your health and safety, and the need to protect those most vulnerable to the coronavirus COVID-19, both within and outside of our office. The safety of our patients, staff, doctors, and community is our foremost mission.

The CDC has released the following directive:

## Public Health Reminder

Healthcare facilities and clinicians should prioritize urgent and emergency visits and procedures now and for the coming several weeks. The following actions can preserve staff, personal protective equipment, and patient care supplies; ensure staff and patient safety; and expand available hospital capacity during the COVID-19 pandemic:

- Delay all elective ambulatory provider visits
- Reschedule elective and non-urgent admissions
- Delay inpatient and outpatient elective surgical and procedural cases
- Postpone routine dental and eye care visits

**Given the CDC recommendation, Effective 5:00 p.m., on Thursday March 19th and continuing through Sunday, April 05, we will be closing our office to routine care.**

We will still be accessible by email and phone if you are experiencing an eye emergency. Examples of eye emergencies are:

- Sudden onset of flashes, floaters, or loss of part or whole vision in one eye.
- Significant sudden loss of vision.
- Significant pain in one or both eyes

Please contact Dr. Stoler directly if you are experiencing an emergency:

email: [kssod@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kssod@sbcglobal.net)

cell: (440) 724-3834

Messages and emails will be checked 12-6 pm and a recommendation on a local ophthalmologist will be made if necessary.

After hours, or if you have experienced trauma, we recommend you contact your local emergency department.