

Laser Assisted- Laser Bacterial Reduction (LBR)

We are committed to providing a superior level of dental care to you, your family, and your friends. This commitment requires staying current on all the latest science, research, and technology available to provide the highest level of care. We have recently added a new procedure to your cleaning appointment to help fight periodontal disease and keep your gums healthy.

We know that approximately 80% of adult are affected with disease (aka:periodontal disease). Periodontal Disease is a bacterial infection the pockets and gum tissues around teeth. The bacteria in your mouth are responsible for periodontal disease, low birth weight and premature delivery, osteoporosis, Alzheimer's, pancreatic cancer, obesity, still birth, and hypertension.

Diode lasers are now being used safely and comfortably to decontaminate the gum tissue and pockets around the teeth prior to your dental cleaning as preventative care. The laser emits concentrated light energy, which kills unhealthy bacteria. This procedure is called Laser Bacterial Reduction (LBR). The major benefits of LBR are:

TO REDUCE OR ELIMINATE BACTEREMIA- During the normal dental cleaning process and during the normal brushing and flossing, most patients will have some areas that may bleed. This allows bacteria that are present in all our mouths to flood into the bloodstream and sometimes settle in weakened areas of our body. As stated above, research shows that these bacteria that cause periodontal disease have now been linked to a growing number of other diseases. Using the laser prior to your dental cleaning allows us to remove the bacteria and reduce the bacterial flow into your bloodstream.

TO PREVENT CROSS CONTAMINATION- Infections in one area of your mouth can be transferred to other areas.

TO KILL PERIODONTAL DISEASE BACTERIA- And stop their infections before they cause destruction or loss of attachment around your teeth.

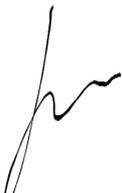
Laser bacterial reduction is painless and normally takes about 5 minutes for the entire mouth. We highly recommend that you take advantage of this service as part of your cleaning appointment.

Laser bacterial Reduction is \$50 and at this time some dental insurance does not assist with the payment of LBR. Unfortunately, insurance coverage is almost always behind the leading edge in high tech health care.

Please ask Dr. Ted if you have any questions regarding this treatment. Please sign in and date below if you would like this service. Thank you.

Daniel Johnson

Patient Name



Patient Signature

Witness Name

Nancy Johnson