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Dear Patients,

For the safety of our E & B community and following guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Ellis & Badenhausen Orthopaedics has established a new protocol to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- **If a patient has recently traveled to any of the following hot spot places: China, South Korea, Iran, Japan, Thailand, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Italy, Seattle Washington, and New York;**
- **If a patient or anyone in their household has exhibited symptoms of Covid-19: fever, cough, chills, and shortness of breath;**
- **We require these patients to schedule out their appointment until they are symptom-free. The current recommendation at least 14 days.**

**We have increased the daily cleanings of all front desk, patient rooms, and clinical areas. We are expanding these cleanings to all offices and high touch point areas (doorknobs, phones, elevators). The office also is trying to limit the amount of time a patient sits in our waiting room. We are expediting patients back to private rooms.**

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease that causes respiratory illness (like the flu) with symptoms such as cough, fever, shortness of breath, and in more severe cases, pneumonia. The spread of the coronavirus is thought to be happening in the same way that seasonal flu spreads. Flu viruses are spread mainly from person to person through the coughing or sneezing of people with influenza. Sometimes people may become infected by touching something with flu viruses on it and then touching their mouth, nose, or eyes. Reported illnesses have ranged from mild to severe illness include death. Like seasonal flu, coronavirus may cause a worsening of underlying chronic medical conditions. Symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure.

Please be aware that these recommendations may be revised as new information becomes available. We are making these recommendations consistent with our values and the safety of our patients and employees. For additional information visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> or contact the COVID-19 Hotline 1(800)722-5725.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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