

## ENHANCED ORAL CANCER SCREENING

Dr. Kakos and Team continually look for advances to ensure that we are providing the optimum level of oral health care to you, our patient. It's now easier than ever to detect oral cancer early when the opportunity for a cure is great. Recently, we have incorporated VELscope as a routine part of our dental examination. VELscope is a simple and painless examination that gives the best chance to find any abnormalities at the earliest possible stages of change. Regular check-ups, including an examination of the entire mouth, are essential

in the early detection of cancerous and pre-cancerous conditions. Early detection of pre-cancerous tissue can minimize or eliminate the potentially disfiguring effects of oral cancer and possibly save your life.

This enhanced examination is recognized by the American Dental Association. It may or may not be covered by your insurance. The fee for this enhanced exam is \$37.00

- ❖ One American dies every hour from oral cancer
- ❖ Greater than 25% of oral cancer patients have no known risk factors
- ❖ Oral cancer strikes an estimated 34,000 Americans each year
- ❖ On average, only half of those diagnosed with the disease will survive more than five years
- ❖ Until VELscope, techniques for oral cancer screening have been somewhat limited
- ❖ The greatest increase of new oral cancer patients is under the age of 40

I authorize Dr. Kakos to perform the enhanced VELscope examination. I accept financial responsibility for this exam.

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I would prefer not to have the enhanced VELscope examination at this time.

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_