



Spring 2020



# Infection Prevention Control: Top Notch!!



Miles of Smiles, Ltd. partners with the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services and the Illinois Department of Public Health Division of Oral Health (IDPH). IDPH routinely conducts surprise site visits to all of our dental teams.

These quality control visits provide assurance that we are following the Infection Control guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Miles of Smiles, Ltd. is committed to treating each child with compassion and respect. Our licensed dental professionals are dedicated to providing the best possible oral health care, consistently utilizing top of the line infection control. We always have and always will provide each child/patient with the recommended standard precautions.

Standard Precautions are the baseline of infection prevention practices that apply to all patient care. They are applied regardless of suspected or confirmed infection status of the patient and applied in any setting where health care is delivered. These practices are designed to both protect the Dental Health Care Provider and the patient. They are necessary to prevent the spread of infection among patients.

Standard Precautions include— 1. Hand hygiene. 2. Use of personal protective equipment (e.g., gloves, masks, eyewear). 3. Respiratory hygiene/cough etiquette. 4. Sharps safety (engineering and work practice controls).

5. Safe injection practices (i.e., aseptic technique for parenteral medications). 6. Sterile instruments and devices. 7. Clean and disinfected environmental surfaces.

Miles of Smiles, Ltd. also uses mechanical, chemical, and biological monitors according to manufacturer instructions to ensure the effectiveness of the sterilization process for our Autoclave (sterilizer) and also of our dental units to make sure we have the safest quality of water. We maintain sterilization records in accordance with state and local regulations.

**We have all been worried, stressed, and scared through the COVID-19 Pandemic.**

**Miles of Smiles, Ltd., assures you that we are practicing, to the best of our ability, to protect our patients and our clinicians. We will continue to follow and update all of our guidelines as we are recommended by the CDC and by OSHA, to protect all that we serve.**

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# MILES OF SMILES

## WHY CHOOSE US?



Miles of Smiles provides dental services to eligible children in all grades. Services may include exam, cleaning, fluoride varnish, and sealants if needed. This also satisfies the dental requirement mandated by the State of Illinois for school children (Kindergarten, 2nd, 6th and 9th).

There is NO COST to the family or school. After the services are performed, the following entities will be billed where applicable: IL Medicaid program, public/private grants, or private dental insurance.

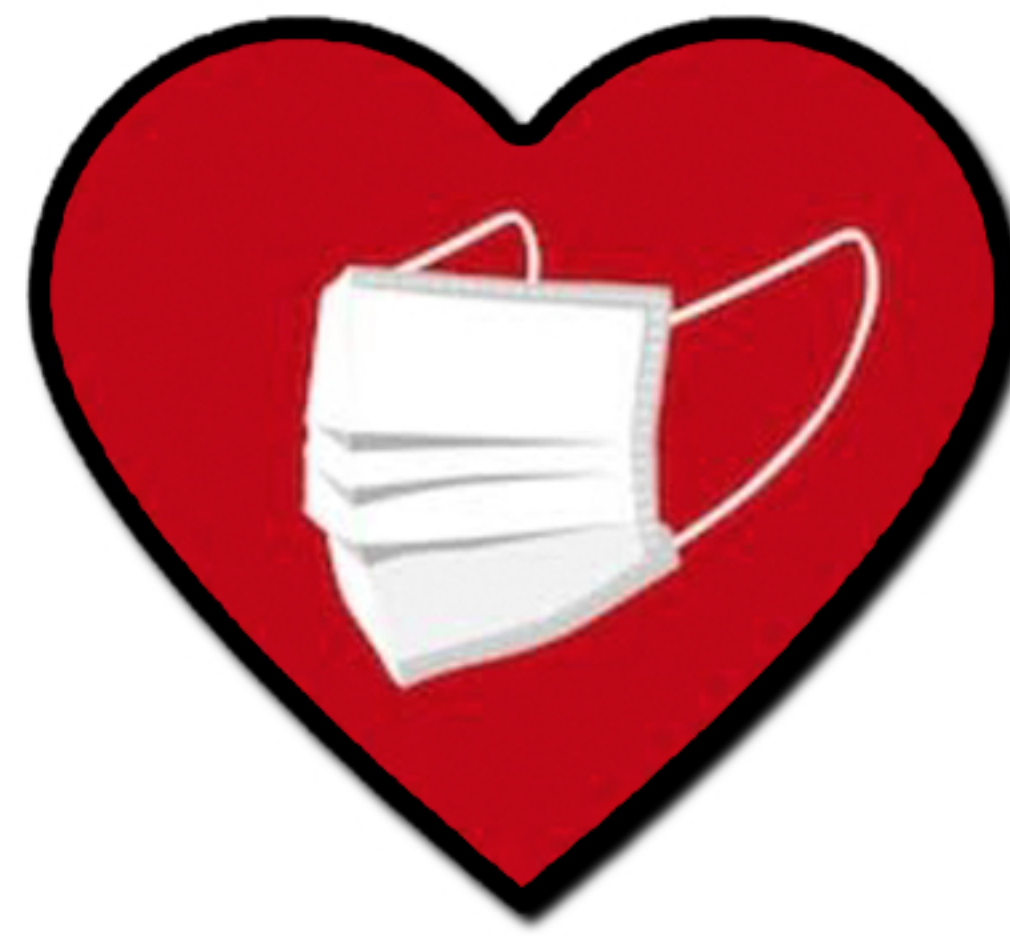
Miles of Smiles, Ltd., will accept any reimbursement as the final payment (even if the claim is denied). The families and the schools are never billed for any co-payments, deductibles, or balances.

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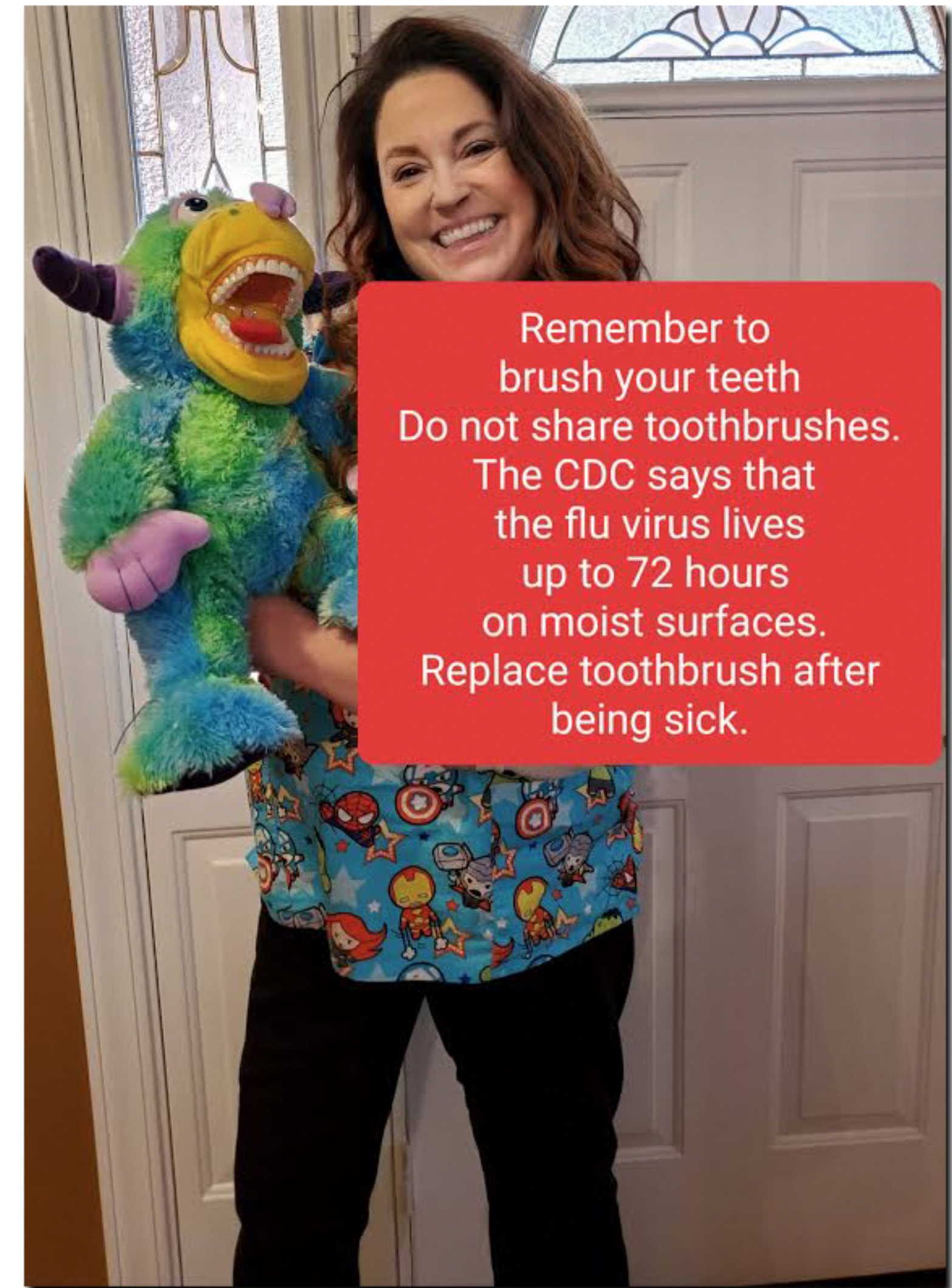
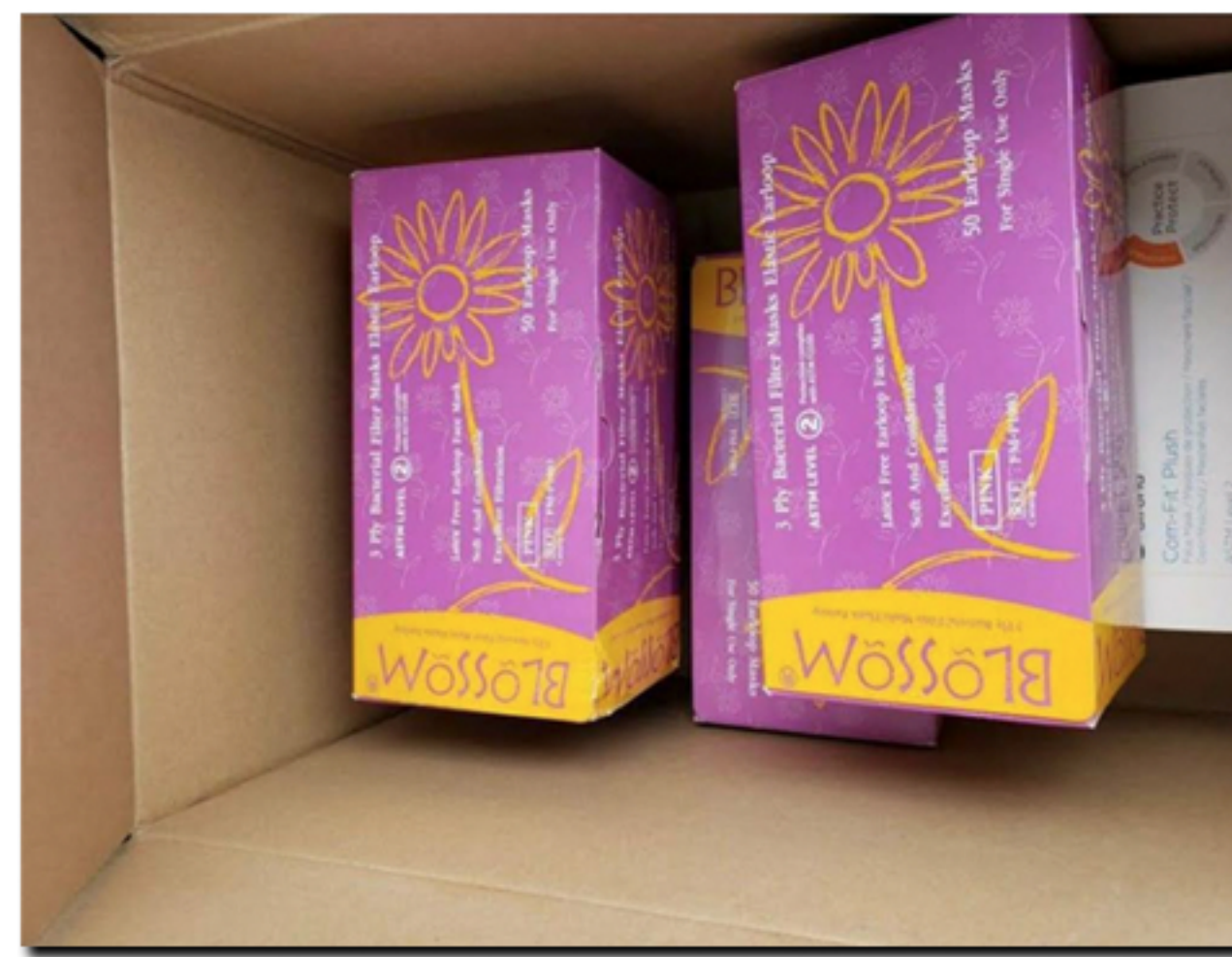
## One of our AWESOME teams



Dr. Trost, Rhonda Trost, Lorna Schlink, Teresa Flynn, Nikki Carls, Val Poe, and Megan Kobylarz



**We will be back when we are able. In the meantime, we have donated our masks, to help those helping others stay healthy. Prayers to all - Miles of Smiles, Ltd.**



Remember to brush your teeth. Do not share toothbrushes. The CDC says that the flu virus lives up to 72 hours on moist surfaces. Replace toothbrush after being sick.



**WE PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS! KIM SWINFORD AND HER PUPPET FRIENDS LOVE COMING TO YOUR SCHOOLS.**

*Miles of Smiles, Ltd., is a school based dental sealant program with compassionate dental providers. We love our schools and hope that we all get through this pandemic very soon. Thank you to all the school personnel, the students and their families, hospitals, and front line medical professionals, for all you do.*



## ONLINE CONSENTS NOW AVAILABLE

Miles of Smiles, Ltd. strives to be on the cutting edge to better our Dental Sealant Program every day. We are excited to be sharing our Miles of Smiles consent form in a link, which the schools can share with their IT Department and include on the school's online registration. This has been a pilot program in the Sangamon County Schools and has reached many more families to provide dental care to many more children that may have been left out in the past. Please contact Miles of Smiles, Ltd for more information.

Visit [www.miles of smiles ltd.com/Docs/CONSENT\\_2017\\_ENGLISH.pdf](http://www.miles of smiles ltd.com/Docs/CONSENT_2017_ENGLISH.pdf) to download the form



**Schedule us now for the 2020-21 School Year!**



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