

Welcome



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We are so pleased to welcome you to Friendly Family Dentistry, where you will find a warmth and commitment to our patients that you just can't find anywhere else. Dr. Mark Haring, a lifelong Hoosier, has been practicing here in Terre Haute for 32 years, and treasures his roots in this community.

Our dental practice prides itself on taking the finest possible care of our patients while maintaining a balanced, common sense approach to modern dentistry. We therefore make the best use of current technology while staying true to the basic values of traditional dentistry.

Our goal is to work with you to give you the individual attention you deserve. We treat people of all ages and provide an array of dental treatments that will keep you healthy and make your smile radiant. We help you learn about oral health so that you have the power to keep you and your family healthy in the present and for generations to come.

Philosophy of Care

Our goal in treating you is to give you the most compassionate and skilled care possible. We get to know you as an individual and treat you with the utmost respect. The trust that you place in us is something we value, and we aim to keep earning that trust by being fair, honest, and hard-working.

Your oral health and the beauty of your smile are our priority because they are essential to your overall health and well-being, as well as confidence in the way you look and feel. We provide dental treatments that are durable and effective; we advise you on how to focus on the prevention of tooth and gum issues; and we provide the educational tools that will help you become an active part of your own well-being.



We firmly believe that the more you know how your dental health affects the health of your body, the more you can make informed decisions about what kind of dental care is necessary. We will work with you to find the best possible solutions to suit your health and financial needs.



Who are our Patients?

We are a family practice, so we enjoy seeing all kinds of people, from kids to adults of all ages. Some families, from children to their grandparents or even great-grandparents, have been coming to Dr. Haring for years, and we treasure that opportunity to keep your family healthy and happy.

We handle all kinds of dental issues here, from cleaning, prevention, and education to cosmetic dentistry, periodontal surgery, and extractions, among many other services. Our ability to treat all kinds of conditions means that we can take care of all of our patients' needs and don't end up needing refer them to specialists that they don't know. We really make sure we're with our patients all the way.

Changing Lives

Your smile is truly one of your most precious assets, and we love to make you smile inside and out. We want to be a gentle, steady presence in your life.

We also want to be a practice that takes care of you from when you have your baby teeth to when you need orthodonture; when you have tooth decay, chipped or broken teeth, or discoloration to when you may need implants, veneers and bridges, or dentures.

We realize that the last thing you want to worry about is your teeth, whether it's because you're feeling a little self-conscious about crooked teeth, or whether it's because oral pain or ill-fitting dentures prevent you from enjoying the company of your family and friends.

We keep you healthy and happy so you can go out and share that beautiful smile with the special people in your lives.

Our Focus on Technology

We remain current with all of the latest dental technology and methods, and continue to learn about new skills and the most effective dental materials. We also believe in a common sense approach to dentistry that works in both the short and the long term. There is an artistry to true dentistry, and Dr. Haring loves making the best use of technology and of skilled craftsmanship when it comes to making your smile really shine.

One thing we especially pride ourselves on is that we do everything possible to be fair and honest with each of our patients about what is best for them. We know that working on dental issues is not everyone's favorite thing to do, so we treat the whole person and their whole mouth.

Some of the many dental issues we handle are cosmetic dentistry, teeth polishing, veneers, crowns and bridges, implants, dentures, necessary surgeries, periodontal (gum) disease, oral cancer screening, gum disease evaluation, tooth decay, gingivitis, and regular tooth maintenance with X-rays and removal of tartar and plaque during your regular dental appointments.



We Care about Education

Education is extremely important for our patients. Many of our patients do not have dental insurance, and so it can be easy for them to forget that dental health is crucial to overall health.

First, we focus on prevention and how to take care of your oral health. And then, if our patients do come to us with dental issues, we give patients the information they need to make informed decisions about what makes sense for them and their families.

Every patient is different, but our feeling is that, instead of doing quick fixes here and there, people benefit more from taking care of their whole mouth. Our job is to help you make those decisions: We have educational videos on our website that we like for our patients to watch, FAQs about how to care for your teeth at home, and we will also review your dietary habits and give you oral hygiene recommendations when they will be helpful to you.

What we want our patients to be aware of is that their teeth are a part of their full body health. We compare it to how your family doctor or cardiologist might treat you for one issue, but also looks at how that issue is related to the health of your whole system.

Even though it might seem like we're just working on your teeth, we're actually doing much more. We're making sure that your teeth and gums will be strong as you age; that you'll be able to eat and smile without trouble or pain; and that you'll be preventing even more serious diseases like stroke, pneumonia, diabetes, or

cardiovascular disease, all of which dental health has been proven to have an effect upon.

Our People and Community

The enjoyment that we get out of seeing you and working together is what makes us love our dental practice. We're like you: hard-working Indiana residents who are sincere and committed to doing our best. Our team and Friendly Family Dentistry knows the importance of working together smoothly in order to make your lives and smiles beautiful.

We also love being involved in our community, so we'll be running into you outside the dental office. We are pleased to be the main sponsor for the Community School of the Arts at Indiana State University, where they do many summer programs for kids—you'll even see our name on the T-shirts.

Dr. Haring has done volunteer work through St. Anne's Catholic Church; and currently volunteers at the Mission of Mercy, the MOM project. Our practice has also donated dental services to those who have experienced financial hardship. We take great pride in having built up great relationships with our patients over the years.



Your First Appointment

Perhaps the first thing you'll notice at Friendly Family Dentistry is that it's just so welcoming. We have been in Terre Haute for about 32 years, but when we first bought this land 16 years ago, the first thing we did was to build a practice that looks and feels like a home.

We want to invite people into our lives and make them feel like family. And to us, they are family—we have treated generations of families here and take pride in providing a relaxing and comfortable environment.

What you'll also notice here is that we're just fair, honest people who work hard for you. You'll find that no one here is a stranger. Our patients know that we care about them and want what is best for them, no matter what.

About Your Dentist

Dr. Mark Haring, DDS, received his degree in Life Science and Chemistry at Indiana State, and then went to Dental School at Indiana University. He is an active member of the American Dental Association (ADA), Academy of General Dentistry (AGD),

American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry (AACD), the International College of Dentistry, the Pierre Fauchard Society, and is a trustee at the Indiana Dental Association. He continues to stay current with new treatments and methods in modern dentistry, and routinely takes continuing education courses in his field.

He enjoys the artistry and craft of dentistry, and with his sense of humor, he likes to make people smile and make their smiles beautiful.

The father of three children, he enjoys spending time with them and his eight grandchildren. He always looks forward to seeing Libby, his wife of four years, both at work and at home, and he still describes themselves as newlyweds. They have a miniature maltese and a maltipeke who they shower with love, and for fun, they scuba dive, motorcycle, shoot, and work with old cars. You can see Dr. Haring driving around town in his Jeep Wrangler, or out on the pond swimming, boating, and skiing.

Now Let's Talk About You

Please fill out this page and bring it with you for your first appointment. This information will help us quickly understand your needs and, in the process, provide you with excellent, patient-focused service.

Our patients have found that filling out this form helps them to think about what they want out of their dental visits and how we can help in the best way possible. So, grab a pen and let us know more about you!

I decided to make an appointment because
My biggest concern is
My dental health goals for the future are
I would like to learn more about
With my new and improved smile, I hope to
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Once I have completed my visits, I'm looking forward to
I'm having pain or discomfort (Circle One) YES NO
If your answer is yes, please answer these two questions:
I have the following kinds of pain
When I'm free of pain, I will be able to

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