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Are Dental X-Rays Safe?

This is a question that has been asked many times and discussed in the news frequently. In an article, dated February 3, 2013 by Dr. Mark C.Pothitakis; *he tells us why they are safe and why they are important.*



“We want you to know what they are, how they are used, what makes them a safe and effective tool, and why they are so important to dentistry and your health. X-rays are a form of electromagnetic radiation, in fact, just like natural daylight, except they have a much shorter wavelength. And because they are a form of ionizing radiation, they can easily penetrate bodily tissues without causing any harm when used properly. The reasons we use them are obvious; they help us literally see what is unseen. For example, they enable us to see bone structure and roots of teeth among other things, and are commonly used for diagnosing tooth decay. Furthermore, today's x-ray machines and other image capturing techniques are so sophisticated and sensitive that the amount of radiation required for diagnosis is almost nothing when compared to what you get from the background radiation present in everyday lining. In fact the average single digital periapical (“Peri”-around; “apical”-root end of a tooth) film is equal to 1/10 the amount of everyday natural environmental exposure. These facts make it clear that dental x-rays are completely safe and, thus, are nothing you need to be concerned about”.

(<http://www.drmarkdds.com/blog/post>)



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F. ALAN DICKERMAN D.D.S***

F. Alan Dickerman was born and raised on Philadelphia, Pa . He
attended Temple University Dental School and received his DDS degree in
1967. He continued his post-graduate education as a Captain in the United
States Air Force Dental Service Corps. And received commendations from
both the strategic Air command and the Erhling Berquist Hospital.

Following his two years of service, he started his private dental practice in
Bala Cynwyd, Pa in 1969

Dr. Dickerman was an associate and consulting staff member at Philadelphia
Osteopathic Hospital for over twenty years, and held staff positions at
Elwyn Institute, Teddyfrin School District, and Sleighton Farm School for
Girls.

Over the past 35+ years ,Dr. Dickerman has accumulated over 4000 hours of
post graduate education, including a 2 year post graduate orthodontic course at
the institute for Graduate Dentists in New York City in 1971 and 1972.

He attained fellowship in the Academy of General Dentist in 1978. He has
written articles for dental journals, is a premiere consultant for the Gerson
Lehrman Council of Advisors, listed as one of America's Top Dentist by the
Consumer Research Council of America, and nominated as on of the best
Cosmetic dentist in the Philadelphia suburban areas by Main Line Magazine.

***“ I enjoy answering my patients questions, and discussing their concerns. I
feel confident that with my past and present experience and ongoing educa-
tion, I can provide the very best quality of dental care options to all my pa-
tients.”***

Dr. F. Alan Dickerman