

Oral Cancer Screening Chilliwack

Oral cancer testing is executed during regularly scheduled cleanings since it is verified that timely detection could save your life. An oral cancer is an uncontrolled cell growth within the mouth or pharynx. Signs and symptoms of oral cancers might show up as a white or red discoloured lump or patch of skin surrounding the oral cavity, sores that bleed when touched or sores that take a very long time to mend, an area that has become hardened, thickened, or raised, a rough tissue patch, chewing or swallowing complications, or a chronic sore pharynx.

The oral cancer screen is performed every time you visit the facility for a cleaning or check up. Please notify us if you happen to see any warning signs as early detection is so vitally important. Do not disregard one or more of the signs because of lack of pain as cancerous and pre-cancerous lesions are totally painless.

The first step in the testing process is to utilize a cancer screener to help identify and find irregular tissues. The VelScope light makes use of a concentrated beam that works to analyze parts with irregularities. If any lesions or suspicious sores are present, we may perform an in house biopsy to help determine if the lesion is pre-cancerous or cancerous.