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**Welcome to Awbrey Dental.** Please tell us a little about yourself before we see you today.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel & email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Dentist: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of most recent dental exam: \_\_\_\_\_ How often do you see your dentist?: \_\_\_\_\_

How would you rate the condition of your mouth?: \_\_\_Excellent \_\_\_Good \_\_\_Fair \_\_\_Poor

How did you hear about our Cancer Screening? \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL HISTORY**

- Have you had an unfavorable dental experience?  Yes  No
- Have you ever had complications from past dental treatment?  Yes  No
- Did you ever have braces, orthodontic treatment or have your bite adjusted?  Yes  No
- Have you had any teeth removed?  Yes  No

**SMILE CHARACTERISTICS**

- Is there anything about the appearance of your teeth that you would like to change?  Yes  No
- Have you ever whitened (bleached) your teeth?  Yes  No
- Are you self-conscious about your teeth?  Yes  No
- Have you been disappointed with the appearance of previous dental work?  Yes  No

**BITE AND JAW JOINT**

- Do you/would you have any problems chewing gum?  Yes  No
- Do you/would you have any problems chewing bagels or other hard foods?  Yes  No
- Have your teeth changed in the last 5 years, become shorter, thinner or worn?  Yes  No
- Are your teeth crowding or developing spaces?  Yes  No
- Do you have more than one bite or do you clench (squeeze) to make your teeth fit together?  Yes  No
- Do you have any problems with sleep or wake up with an awareness of your teeth?  Yes  No
- Do you have problems with your jaw joint (pain, sounds, limited opening, locking, popping)?  Yes  No
- Do you have tension headaches or sore teeth?  Yes  No
- Do you wear or have you ever worn a bite appliance?  Yes  No

**TOOTH STRUCTURE**

- Have you ever had any cavities within the past 3 years?  Yes  No
- Do you have a dry mouth?  Yes  No
- Are any teeth sensitive to hot, cold, biting or sweets?  Yes  No
- Have you ever had a toothache, cracked filling, broken, chipped or cracked tooth?  Yes  No
- Do you avoid brushing any part of your mouth?  Yes  No
- Do you feel or notice any holes (i.e. pitting) in your teeth?  Yes  No

**GUM AND BONE**

- Have you ever been diagnosed or treated for periodontal (gum) disease?  Yes  No
- Have you ever experienced gum recession?  Yes  No
- Is there anyone with a history of periodontal disease in your family?  Yes  No
- Do your gums bleed when brushing, flossing or eating?  Yes  No

- Are your teeth becoming loose?  Yes  No
- Have you ever noticed an unpleasant taste or odor in your mouth?  Yes  No
- Have you ever experienced a burning sensation in your mouth?  Yes  No

**MEDICAL HISTORY**

What is your estimate of your general health?  
\_\_\_ Excellent \_\_\_ Good \_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_ Poor

**Have you ever had - or do you have:**

- Any allergic reactions we should be aware of?  Yes  No  
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- Head or neck injuries  Yes  No
- Epilepsy, convulsions (seizures)  Yes  No
- Neurological problems  Yes  No
- Viral infections and cold sores  Yes  No
- Any lumps or swelling in the mouth  Yes  No
- Venereal disease  Yes  No  
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- Heart problems  Yes  No
- HIV/AIDS  Yes  No
- Heart murmur  Yes  No
- Rheumatic fever  Yes  No
- Radiation therapy  Yes  No
- Scarlet fever  Yes  No
- Chemotherapy  Yes  No
- Stroke  Yes  No
- Artificial prosthesis (i.e. heart valve or joints)  Yes  No
- Anemia or other blood disorder  Yes  No
- Prolonged bleeding due to a slight cut  Yes  No
- Frequent headaches  Yes  No
- Are you presently being treated for any other illness?  Yes  No  
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- Are you a smoker or have you smoked previously?  Yes  No
- Are you pregnant (Female)?  Yes  No

Describe any current medical treatment, impending surgery, or other treatment that may possibly affect your oral cancer screening today \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature / Date

**Committed to your Health and our Community**

Dr. Peter Yonan Dr. Anne Scott Dr. Jill Schroeder

## Awbrey Dental is proud to announce that we have incorporated the VELscope® System into our dental practice.

The VELscope System, recently approved by the FDA, was developed by the British Columbia Cancer Agency and Vancouver-based LED Dental Inc. It is a revolutionary hand-held device that provides dentists and hygienists with a new tool to aid in the early detection of oral cancer. The VELscope examination is a **non-invasive, painless procedure** which takes only a few minutes. The dentist shines a blue light into the mouth to cause it to fluoresce. This fluorescence helps the dentist visualize abnormal tissue which may be, or may lead to, oral cancer.

Over 30,000 people are diagnosed with oral cancer annually in the United States. With a mortality rate of over 50% at 5 years, one person every hour of every day dies of oral cancer in America. If detected early however, oral cancer is 90% survivable.

Drs. Peter Yonan and Anne Scott have conducted annual comprehensive oral cancer screening for all patients, but the VELscope System now allows them to see things they've been unable to see previously. By detecting potential problems earlier, Awbrey Dental Group will now be providing our patients with the best oral health care currently available.

## Oral Cancer: The Forgotten Disease

Oral cancer is the largest group of those cancers which fall into the head and neck cancer category. Common names for it include such things as mouth cancer, tongue cancer, and throat cancer.

One American dies of oral cancer every hour of every day. This alarmingly high mortality rate is largely the result of the late stage at which the disease is typically detected. Approximately 34,000 people in the US will be newly diagnosed with oral cancer in 2007. This is the second year in a row in which there has been an increase in the rate of occurrence, this time of about 11% over last year.

Oral cancer is one of the few forms of cancer that have not experienced a significantly decreased mortality rate in the past 30 years. Deaths from oral cancer are higher than from cervical,

testicular, laryngeal or thyroid cancer. It is estimated that only about half of the 34,000 Americans diagnosed with oral cancer will be alive in five years. Fortunately, the five-year survival rate for oral cancer can be 80% or higher with early detection.

One of the real dangers of this cancer is that in its early stages, it can go unnoticed. It can be painless, and little in the way of physical changes may be obvious. The good news is however, that your dentist can see or feel the precursor tissue changes, or the actual cancer while it is still very small, or in its earliest stages. It may appear as a white or red patch of tissue in the mouth, or a small indurated ulcer, which looks like a common canker sore. Because there are so many benign tissue changes that occur normally in your mouth, and some things as simple as a bite on the inside of your cheek may mimic the look of a dangerous tissue change, it is important to have any sore or discolored area of your mouth, **which does not heal within 14 days**, looked at by a professional.

## VELscope

- the latest technology to detect oral cancer.



The VELscope allows the dentist to detect cancer that can't be seen with the naked eye. The VELscope exam, takes only two minutes, is affordable for the patient. It's completely pain free.

The traditional profile of an oral cancer victim is that of a heavy user of tobacco and alcohol who is at least 40 years old. However, the number of victims who do NOT fit this profile has been growing at an alarming rate in recent years. One reason may be the growth in the occurrence of the human papilloma virus (HPV), one strain of which is now thought to be a possible cause of oral cancer.

**50% of patients diagnosed with oral cancer are expected to die within 5 years. If caught early, 90% of cases are curable.**

**Early screening, diagnosis, and treatment planning for oral cancer will save lives.**

For more information regarding the VELscope System, visit [www.velscope.com](http://www.velscope.com).

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