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A Legacy of Compassionate Care

Tucked away in Prairie Village, Monarch Dental Care is a modern piece of dental history.

ormerly Menees Family Dentistry, Monarch Dental Care has been operated by three generations of dentists since its founding in 1946. Today, Dr. Alex Clark is advancing the practice by providing dental care to both new and longstanding patients. Born and raised in Kansas, Dr. Clark is honored to be a part of the practice's legacy while giving back to his community.

"We have patients who have been in the practice for over 50 years and have received excellent dentistry from all three of the Menees doctors," he says. "I want to continue that high standard of care."

Comprehensive Dental Care...

Monarch Dental Care provides comprehensive care tailored to individual patient needs. "I get to see patients of all generations, from a two-year-old during her first cleaning to her parents and grandparents," notes Dr. Clark.

His emphasis on continuing education and advanced clinical skills prepares him for all dental needs. The multidisciplinary practice is fully equipped to provide procedures ranging from routine maintenance to dental implants, root canals, clear aligners, and cosmetic treatments. "We focus on all aspects of dental health, including routine maintenance, a complete smile makeover, and everything in between," he says.

Dr. Clark not only gets to know his patients, but he also educates them about treatment options—fully explaining their dental status, then developing a treatment plan that addresses their needs and aligns with their individual goals. "I consider their dental work as well as what's happening in their life outside of our office," he adds. "Knowing the full picture allows me to develop a personalized treatment plan."

...In a Family Atmosphere

Family has been the cornerstone of the practice since its inception many years ago. "We treat our patients like we would our own family. It's important to us that we get to know each patient personally, and that they get to know each of us," notes Dr. Clark. "Having a relationship with our patients that's based on trust and communication helps keep everyone on the same

page and gives us a much more predictable outcome, regardless of what type of treatment we're doing."

At Monarch Dental Care, going to the dentist is comfortable and enjoyable. Dr. Clark and his team have created a welcoming atmosphere with heated blankets, complimentary beverages, massage chairs, headphones, flatscreen TVs, nitrous oxide sedation, and a treasure chest for children to choose a toy after their visit. "My team and I are here to make sure that each visit is as pleasant and enjoyable of an experience as it can be," says Dr. Clark. "It's important to us that patients look forward to their visits as much as possible."

There are times when new patients visit Monarch Dental Care with an existing fear of dental work. Mindful of this common anxiety, Dr. Clark focuses on comforting patients while identifying any dental concerns and solutions. "I try to give a positive outlook about going to a dentist," Dr. Clark explains. "I want patients to feel like they're always listened to, educated, cared for, and respected."



