



# BRUCATO FOOT & ANKLE SURGERY

March/April 2020 Newsletter

## HELP OUR HOSPITALS

AVOID THE EDS/URGENT CARES  
FOOT OR ANKLE EMERGENCIES 551.204.2755  
24/7 HOTLINE

### Our COVID-19 Response

Brucato Foot & Ankle Surgery has and always will make the safety and health of our staff and patients our top priority. We are following guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), state and city health officials and we have been tracking their updates by the minute.

Hourly deep cleans of the office and calculated scheduling has allowed the office to practice under CDC guidelines including social distancing as we care for our patients. Our waiting room is shut down--patients go directly to a private treatment room. We are also screening all patients and employees prior to coming into the office.

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"It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent that survives. *It is the one that is most adaptable to change.*"

-DARWIN



# EVERYONE CAN DO THEIR PART

- Wash your hands for 20 seconds with soap and water frequently. Hand sanitizer is OK if you can't get to a sink, but soap and water is BEST!
- If you develop fever and/or dry cough do not go to the hospital or urgent care. Call your doctor first. If they decide you need testing they can direct you where to go.
- If you have been outside of the country in the last month, then self quarantine for 14 days.
- If you are a healthcare provider or first responder caring for a COVID-19 patient, please take care of yourself and follow recommended infection control procedures including the use of N-95 masks and PPE.



## THE CEO'S MESSAGE



During these difficult and uncertain times, our practice has been working overtime to ensure our patients have access to the foot and ankle care they need including updating cleaning schedules, disassembling our waiting room, offering telehealth appointments, and establishing a 24/7 emergency line for all foot and ankle emergencies so our patients can avoid COVID-19 infested emergency rooms. The emergency rooms are already becoming overwhelmed so we all need to do our part to #helpourhospitals.

Our mission statement states that employees "will never be asked to place their physical or mental health above their job". And no one should ask you to do that either.

Stay safe !



Dr. B