

Dear Patients,

Our practice is a member of greenviu: The Green Clinic Society and is committed to sustainable health care.

greenviu is a global community of physicians, dentists, physical therapists, dental technicians and other health care providers with the mission to decrease the ecological footprint of the health care sector based on scientific standards. This is of crucial importance because the health care sector is accountable for at least 5% of greenhouse gas emissions in most industrialized countries (USA, Australia, EU, Japan).

It is important to combine sustainability with superior quality and efficiency in health care. Sustainability in health care can be achieved by adherence to three concepts:

- Reduction of energy consumption and waste
- Replacement of non-sustainable expendable materials with sustainable items of comparable or superior quality
- Compensation of CO₂ emissions via certified projects with proven sustainability

greenviu members have access to certified and sustainable compensation projects. By just becoming a greenviu member we already compensate for 10 tons of CO₂ equivalents annually.

A unique CO₂ calculating tool invented by greenviu provides valuable insights into the exact CO₂ emission profile of our practice. Use of this calculating tool will advance our efforts to reduce our ecological footprint.

Since it is impossible to completely eliminate the ecological footprint of the health care industry, the greenviu community supports certified projects that excel at environment damage avoidance efforts. Support of these projects compensates the environmental damage from the health care industry that cannot be prevented at this time.

To enhance our knowledge of sustainable products and procedures in health care, greenviu members support and perform scientific studies exploring the efficiency and effectiveness of eco-friendly health care products and procedures.

A significant portion of the greenhouse gas emission of the health care sector are caused by travel of our patients and ourselves. We have done our best to synchronize our appointee policy with public transportation schedules. Please refer to our information sheet.

Thank you for your support which is vital in our quest to conserve our environment!