
Costa & Dageenakis Family Dentistry

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“EnviroStars has helped us focus our priorities. When we built our new office we were conscious about hazardous waste and tried to build environmentally friendly.”

--Stephanie Wiltermood, Clinical Assistant

Congratulations to Costa & Dageenakis Family Dentistry for becoming a **4 star** certified EnviroStar business. The EnviroStars program recognizes businesses for reducing and properly managing their hazardous waste.



Costa & Dageenakis Family Dentistry Staff

Doctors Marta Costa and Miranda Dageenakis have successfully reduced their hazardous waste in a variety of ways. They use an autoclave (steam sterilization) instead of chemicals to disinfect instruments and use and store as few different products as possible to avoid accumulating different wastes. Recently, they switched to using digital radiography for X-rays instead of film processing. An amalgam separator was also installed, which effectively prevents mercury waste from entering their wastewater stream.

Some of the best management practices that the office has adopted include periodically disposing of expired products and pharmaceuticals through a licensed waste vendor.

A filing system is maintained for waste receipts and quantities of hazardous wastes generated are tracked annually. Waste management issues and ideas for reducing waste are brought up and discussed at staff meetings as well.

In the future the office plans to add EnviroStar information to their website and begin sharing information about the program to patients.

These are just some of the ways the Costa & Dageenakis Family Dentistry is doing its part to reduce waste and protect our environment.