What is “Green” Dentistry?

“Green” Dentistry is an approach to dentistry that combines dental practices and environmental conservation. Green dental practices use non-toxic products, reduce waste, and reduce the carbon footprint. Not only are “green” dentistry practices better for the environment, but they are also safer for patients and staff. Key concepts of a green practice include conservation of water and energy, reduction of waste, and elimination of hazardous toxins that negatively affect patients and the environment.

How has River City Dentistry gone “Green”?

At River City Dentistry we have taken several steps to help create an environmentally-friendly dental practice that is safer for our patients and our environment. Some of the steps we have taken include:

- Paperless front office
- Digital Radiography (reducing radiation by more than 50% compared to traditional x-rays)
- Office recycling program
- In-office amalgam separator (eliminating amalgam waste into local water systems)
- EPA approved/biodegradable cleaning/disinfecting chemicals
- Steam autoclave (eliminating chemicals)
- Energy efficient building practices (including energy efficient windows, programmable thermostat & sprinkler system)
- Reduction in use of disposable products
- Altered supply ordering (reducing shipping material waste)

The team at River City Dentistry is continually looking for ways to improve our community, our office, and the health of our patients. We strive to create an office environment where your whole family will feel comfortable and safe.