



Healthy Smile  
Healthy Heart

## **Why should dentists do in-office blood screenings?**

- 1) These screenings can provide early detection of high risk heart disease/stroke, diabetes, pre-diabetes, systemic cancers, and more.**
- 2) These screenings can improve the health of their patients, and in some cases, save their lives.**
- 3) According to the ADA, as many as 72% of adults have periodontal disease. Research shows periodontal disease can elevate cholesterol, blood sugar, and C-Reactive Protein levels.**
- 4) These screenings can offer an opportunity to supply a new level of patient care, setting you apart as an advanced, unique, and caring dental office. You will attract patients willing to pay for perceived “better care.” Local and national media attention referrals from other health care providers may follow.**