

## **Patient Treatment and Financial Policy**

Thank you for choosing our office as your dental healthcare provider. We are committed to providing you with the highest quality dental care and your optimum oral health.

The following is a statement of our Financial Policy. We require that you read, agree to and sign prior to any treatment.

**Please note**: Payment is due on the appointment day before services are rendered. Our office accepts cash, personal checks, MasterCard, Visa, Discover, American Express and CareCredit. Additional fees will be applied for returned checks.

## If you have insurance:

• As a courtesy to you, we will help you process all of your dental insurance claims. We will provide an insurance estimate to you. Please understand, it is not a guarantee that your insurance will pay exactly as estimated. Insurance coverage is subject to limitations, exclusions, waiting periods, frequency, age restrictions, deductibles and maximums which are your responsibility.

• All charges you incur are your responsibility, regardless of your insurance coverage. Our practice is committed to providing the best treatment for our patients and we charge what is usual and customary for our area.

• We ask that you sign this form and/or any other necessary documents that may be required by your insurance company. This form allows your insurance company to make payment directly to our office. You authorize the release of any information concerning your (or your dependent's) health care advice and treatment provided for the purpose of evaluating and administering claims for insurance benefits.

• Deductible, co-payment and co-insurance, which is the estimated amount not covered by your insurance company, is due at the time we provide the service(s) to you.

• Insurance payments are ordinarily received within 45-60 days from the time of filing a claim. If your insurance company has not made payment within 60 days, we will ask that you contact your insurance company to make sure payment is expected.

• If payment is not received or your claim is denied, you will be responsible for paying the full amount at that time.

• We will cooperate fully with the regulations and requests of your insurance company that may assist in the claim being paid. Our office will not, however, enter into a dispute with your insurance company over any claim.

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**Minors accompanied by the parent or legal guardian**: The parent or legal guardian accompanying a minor, who has consented to treatment, are responsible for full payment at time of service. **Unaccompanied Minors**: The parent or legal guardian is responsible for full payment at time of service. Treatment consents and payment arrangements with the parent or legal guardian must be made prior to appointment or non-emergency treatment may be denied.

**Missed Appointment (s) and Cancellations**: Our goal is to provide treatment in a timely manner with as few visits as necessary. In order to provide the best services to our patients, we require at least a 24-48 hour notice for cancellations or for re-scheduling your appointments. We understand that unforeseen circumstances may arise, which may result in canceling or missing your appointment. A fee of \$25 may be assessed for multiple missed, short notice or cancelled appointments and a fee of \$50 may be assessed if appointment is cancelled on the day of service. Multiple failed appointments may result in being dismissed from the dental practice.

**Consent**: I have read, understand and agree to the above terms and conditions. I authorize my insurance company to pay my dental benefits directly to my dental office. I understand responsibility for payment for dental services provided in this office for myself or my dependents is mine, due and paid at the time services are rendered.

**Communications with you**: In order to enhance patients' care and experience with us, we may contact you after your visit in order to request feedback on your experience by phone call, SMS text message, e-mail, voicemail, or mobile application, some of which may be via automated means.

By signing below you understand and agree to be contacted in this manner with communications related to this visit, and any future visits. In the future, you may opt-out of receiving text messages by notifying us in writing (including responding via text message).

Patient /Guardian Signature:	Date:

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