



We strive to deliver the best possible care to our patients at a reasonable cost. Our practice participates as in network provider with the majority of Preferred Provider Organizations (PPO's). This means that the fee schedules approved for our office by your insurance company is at a discounted rate from our usual and customary fees. We appreciate your trust in our practice; therefore, we want to provide you with a clear understanding of our financial policies.

Insurance

As a courtesy to all patients we will verify your dental insurance benefits, but you are responsible to know your plan coverage, exclusions, and limitations. Furthermore, you should be aware of non-covered benefits such as a missing tooth clause, implant fixtures and abutment/crown restorations, downgraded limitations for fillings (typically from a composite restoration to an amalgam restoration) and porcelain on crowns placed on molar teeth, frequency limits for exams, prophylaxis (dental cleanings), fluoride, and x-rays.

During your first office visit a staff member will provide you with a treatment plan for the services rendered that day and for any additional recommended treatment. The treatment plan will include an estimation of your insurance benefits for each of these procedures. If applicable, you will be asked to pay an estimated amount for the services provided. Our estimate is an educated assumption based on the information provided by the insurance representative over the phone and/or any paperwork provided from the insurance company regarding your policy. The information given to us is not a guarantee of payment or approval for the treatment recommended by your dentist.

The estimated amount not covered by your insurance (also known as a co-payment) is due at the time of treatment and may be paid by cash, personal check, Visa, MasterCard, or Discover. To help you accept an extensive treatment plan, we are offering Care Credit financing programs. You may also discuss other specific financial agreements with us that may be more beneficial for you.

All estimates are subject to final approval by your dental insurance plan; therefore, the amount due is subject to change after final explanation of benefits have been paid. We will send a dental claim on your behalf and we will answer any questions your insurance company may raise about diagnosis or treatment in an appropriate and timely manner. It is important that you understand we are not part of the relations between you and your Insurance. If an insurance plan denies benefits for patient's treatment for any reason, the patient is financially responsible for all charges and for the outstanding balance on the account.





Financial Charges

All returned checks are subject to a \$35 fee. We reserve the right to apply a \$20 rebilling fee and a \$25.00 late charge towards overdue financial agreements.

Past Due Accounts

We have the option to report your balance with us to any credit reporting agency and credit bureau. In the event that your account is turned over to a collection agency or attorney, you agree to pay all fees including and not limited to attorney fees, court costs, and collection agency fees.

Saturday Appointments

As a convenience to our patients, we do offer Saturday appointments on a limited basis. Due to the high demand for appointments on these days, we ask that you prepay co-payments for that day in order to reserve your appointment time.

*******Missed Appointment Fee *******

Please note that there is a missed appointment fee for all appointments not given at least 48 hours notice. This amount may differ depending on the length of appointment time and specific procedure. Please give us a call in advance of 48 hours if you need to reschedule or cancel your appointment. *Our office reserves the right to dismiss you as a patient if 3 appointments are missed without 48 hour notice.*

Patient Print
Name _____

Patient
Signature _____

Dentist
Signature _____

