

Insurance and Financial Policy

Our office works diligently to present you with the personalized dental solution that best fits you and your needs. Some patients have dental benefits, but some don't. If you have dental benefits, you are very fortunate. Here are some important things you should know. Please read and initial on the lines below:

- _____ ○ Your dental benefits are based upon a contract between your employer and an insurance company. Each employer can offer several dental policies, each one offering different "tiers" of coverage.
 - **If you have any questions regarding your dental benefits, please contact your employer or insurance company directly.**
- _____ ○ Insurances that we currently are **in-network** with are: *Delta Dental Premier, Dental Care Plus, & Superior Dental*. We also accept any private care insurance plans that allow you to "**go out of network**" (allows for "out of network" benefits)
 - ***You are responsible for checking whether your insurance allows you to go "out of network" prior to scheduling the appointment.***
- _____ ○ Because of all these insurance plans, our office works with hundreds of different dental plans. Although we maintain computerized histories of payment by a given company and plan, they do change; therefore, it is impossible to give you a guaranteed quote at the time of service. We estimate your portion based on the most up-to-date information we have, but it is **ONLY AN ESTIMATE**.
 - If you would like to know a more detailed insurance payment, our office is happy to file a "pre-determination" to your insurance.
- _____ ○ We bill your insurance as a courtesy to you. However, *if insurance does not pay within 120 days, **Eastgate Dental Care** reserves the right to request the payment in full from you for the services rendered and let you collect the insurance funds that are due to you.* This is rare, but it is important that you recognize that the insurance you have is a legal contract between YOU and YOUR insurance company. Our office is not, and cannot be part of that legal contract.
 - **Ultimately, you are responsible for all charges incurred in our office.** Our office has no control over what insurance companies chose to pay for your treatment.
- _____ ○ **Eastgate Dental Care** does require payment for your portion of treatment at the time of service. We accept MasterCard, Visa, American Express, Discover, cash, and checks. If you are in need of an extended finance option, we also work with Care Credit, who offers different payment plan options that best fit your needs. Any other payment arrangements **must** be established with our front desk prior to the start of treatment.

I have read, understand, and agree to the conditions stated above:

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____