



# HERSHEY DENTAL ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

## Financial Policy

We would like to thank you for choosing us as your dental provider. We are committed to providing you with comprehensive and quality dental care, and your clear understanding of our financial policy is very important to our professional relationship. Please understand that the payment of your bill is considered a part of your treatment. Following is a statement of our Financial Policy which we require that you read and sign prior to treatment. All patients must also complete a Patient Information/Health History and an Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices before being seen by the doctor.

**FULL PAYMENT IS DUE AT THE TIME OF SERVICE UNLESS COVERED BY PARTICIPATING INSURANCE CARRIER. WE WILL GLADLY ACCEPT MASTERCARD, VISA, DISCOVER, DEBIT CARDS, CASH OR PERSONAL CHECK. WE ALSO OFFER CARE CREDIT FOR TREATMENT PLANS OVER \$500.00.**

**Regarding Insurance:** All charges you incur at each dental visit are your responsibility regardless of your insurance coverage. We must emphasize that as your dental care provider, our relationship is with you, our patient, not with your insurance company. Your insurance policy is a contract between you, your employer, and the insurance company. It is ultimately the patient's responsibility to know details of your dental benefits. It is also the patient's responsibility to verify if the practice is in or out of network with his or her insurance policy and to be aware of your maximum allowance. As a courtesy, it is our staff's only responsibility to assist patients in filing out and submitting the insurance claim. Patients with dental insurance will be responsible to pay the estimated insurance copayment of a procedural allowance and deductible at the beginning of treatment. As well as, authorize the assignment of the insurance benefits to us. After insurance benefits are received, if there is an overpayment, a refund will be sent to you. **If there is an additional amount due, we will send a statement balance. If it is a non participating insurance, any charges incurred in our office are your responsibility at time of service;** we will still file your insurance claim, and will mark the payment as payable to you directly. Your insurance claim can **ONLY** be submitted if we are supplied with the proper insurance information from you (i.e.: **insurance company address and phone number, subscriber's identification number and group number**). It is your responsibility to make sure your policy is active on your date of service. If your insurance company has not paid your claim within 45 days please contact your insurance company. Your dental plan may not cover certain procedures; however this does not mean these treatments are unnecessary. If you have questions regarding your dental plan, or a problem with a reimbursement level, contact your employer or insurance company. Our staff may be able to explain dental plan issues to you. But, it is your responsibility to be educated on the levels of coverage provided by your plan. **Patient's Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Usual and Customary Rates:** Our practice is committed to providing good treatment for our patients and we charge what is usual and customary for our area. You are responsible for payment regardless of any insurance company's arbitrary determination of what is an appropriate charge.

**Missed appointments:** Unless appointments are cancelled at least 24 hrs in advance, our policy is to charge \$30 for missed appointments. Please help us to serve you better by keeping scheduled appointments.

**Returned Checks:** Patients will be charged \$50 for each returned check, and are responsible for the amount owed.

**Accounts:** After 60 days from the date of service a 35% collection fee will be added to your account if there has been no attempt to make payment or set up a payment schedule. All accounts delinquent over 90 days and without a payment schedule will be turned over to a collection agency for further collection procedures. All past due accounts must be paid in full before you can scheduled another appointment.

I have read and understand the financial policy as explained herein and agree to be bound by its terms. I understand that the office reserves the right to amend this policy at any time.

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Signature of Patient or Responsible Party

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Date



# **HERSHEY DENTAL ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.**

## Information about Dental Insurance

Dear Patient:

We have prepared this letter to help you better understand the complexities of dental insurances; we realize how confusing it can be. To begin, we would like to highlight a misconception- dental insurance was not designed to pay for all dental care. Most contracts have limits and/or various degrees of co-payments.

All levels of payment by insurance companies, including allowed fees, usual and customary (UCR), are governed by the premiums paid by you or your employer. They have nothing to do with the actual charges. Our fees are based upon a combination of our costs, our time, and our constant dedication to supplying our patients with the highest quality dental care. The treatment recommended by our office is never based on what your insurance company will pay; your treatment should not be governed by your insurance contract.

However, it should be understood, that the dental insurance contract is between the insurance company and the patient. Ultimately financial responsibility falls on the patient.

We hope this information has been helpful. Please take the time to review your contract thoroughly so we may best serve you. As always, you may feel free to ask the front desk staff, insurance coordinator, and/or office manager for clarification on services, billing, and insurance.

Sincerely,

Hershey Dental Associates, LLC

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Responsible: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACQUAINTANCE FORM

It is important that we get to know about you including your dental and medical history. many things have a direct bearing on our dental health. We will review this questionnaire and discuss it with you in detail. the information you give us is strictly confidential and will not be released to anyone without your permission.

<b>PATIENT INFORMATION</b>	
Patient's Name _____	Email address _____
Address _____	
Telephone: Home _____ Cell _____	Social Security # _____ Date of Birth _____
Employer Name _____ Work Telephone _____	
Marital Status _____ If Married, Spouse's Name _____	
How Did you Happen To Chose Our Office? (Please circle) Magazine Google Location Personal Referral: _____	

<b>EMERGENCY INFORMATION</b>	
In Case of Emergency Contact _____	Relationship _____
Address _____ Telephone _____	

<b>RESPONSIBLE PARTY INFORMATION</b>	
Person Responsible For Payment _____	Relationship _____
Address _____	
Telephone _____	Social Security # _____ Date of Birth _____

<b>INSURANCE INFORMATION</b>	
Dental Insurance Company Name _____	
Address _____	
Group # _____	Subscriber Name _____ Social Security # _____
<b>IF DUAL COVERAGE--THE SECONDARY INSURANCE COMPANY:</b>	
Insurance Company Name _____ Employer _____	
Address _____ Group #/Policy # _____	
Relationship _____	Subscriber Name _____ Social Security # _____

**MEDICAL HISTORY** Please check or circle any of the following which you **have** or **have had** and explain where necessary. List pharmaceuticals (**prescribed medications**) you are taking now for this problem.

- 1. AIDs \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Anemias or Blood Discrasias \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Arthritis, Rheumatoid or Osteo \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Asthma \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Autoimmune Problems \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Birth Control Pills, Hormone Replacement Therapy or Fertility Problems \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Blood Clots or Stroke: Y/N Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Bone Problems, Osteoporosis  
Treatment w/Bisphosphonates(Please circle or write): Fosamax Actonel Boniva Zometa oral or injection  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Cancer or Tumors: Y/N Current Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Depression or Nervous Disorders \_\_\_\_\_

- 11. Diabetes: Type I or Type II
  - A. Oral Medication\_\_\_\_\_ B. Insulin Injections\_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Digestion Problems, Acid Relux, GERD\_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Epilepsy or Seizures: Y/N Last episode:\_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Hayfever or Allergies other than medications\_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Heart Problems\_\_\_\_\_
  - A. Cardiac Bypass Surgery\_\_\_\_\_ B. Cardiac Pacemaker\_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Congenital Heart Defect\_\_\_\_\_ D. Prosthetic Heart Valve\_\_\_\_\_
  - E. Heart Attack\_\_\_\_\_ F. Heart Murmur, Mitral Valve Prolaspe\_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Hepatitis A,B, C or Liver Disease\_\_\_\_\_
- 17. High Blood Pressure\_\_\_\_\_ 18. Low Blood Pressure\_\_\_\_\_
- 19. Joint Replacement\_\_\_\_\_ Premedication: Y/N Antibiotic:\_\_\_\_\_
- 20. Kidney Problems\_\_\_\_\_
- 21. Lung Disease, COPD\_\_\_\_\_
- 22. Muscle diseases\_\_\_\_\_
- 23. Social Diseases\_\_\_\_\_
- 24. Thyroid Diseases\_\_\_\_\_
- 25. Tuberculosis or Symptoms of Tuberculosis\_\_\_\_\_
- 26. Other diseases not listed\_\_\_\_\_

**Please list any vitamins, supplements or herbal/homeopathic remedies that you are currently taking:**


**Are you allergic to any of the following:**

- Antibiotics 1. Penicillin 2. Erythromycin 3. Tetracycline 4. Sulfa 5. Keflex 6. Clindamycin 7. Other\_\_\_\_\_
- Local Anesthetics like Lidocaine or Septocaine or Carbocaine  Epinephrine sensitivity\_\_\_\_\_
- Aspirin  Codeine  Ibuprofen, Motrin, Advil  Aleve  Narcotics\_\_\_\_\_
- Latex  Metals of any kind\_\_\_\_\_
- Other allergies to materials or medications\_\_\_\_\_

**Have you ever been advised to take medication (antibiotics or other medications) before a dental appointment? Y/N (circle)**  
**If so, please explain**\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had a skin rash or a reaction to metal jewelry? Y/N (circle) To What?\_\_\_\_\_

Do you wear contact lens? Y/N (circle) Do you bleed excessively upon injury? Y/N (circle)

Do you drink alcohol? Y/N (circle) \_\_\_\_\_daily \_\_\_\_\_weekly \_\_\_\_\_monthly \_\_\_\_\_socially\_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke now or **have you ever** smoked? Y/N (if yes number of years) cigarettes/day\_\_\_\_\_  
 cigars\_\_\_\_\_ pipes\_\_\_\_\_ chewing tobacco or snuff\_\_\_\_\_

Women: Is there a possibility that you may be pregnant or trying to get pregnant? Y/N (circle)

If yes, how many months pregnant? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in a job that regularly exposes you to radiation or chemicals? Y/N (circle) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had counseling for addictions to alcohol and/or prescription medications? Y/N (circle)

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Do you have reason to believe you are at risk for contacting infectious or sexually transmitted diseases?

Y/N (circle) If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been a patient in the hospital in the past two years Y/N (circle) If so, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last medical visit for a checkup or physical \_\_\_\_\_

Physicians name, address and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you experiencing emotional or physical stress or pressure in your work or at home? Y/N (circle)

Please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything other in your medical history that we have missed? \_\_\_\_\_

## DENTAL HISTORY

How long has it been since you were to see a dentist? \_\_\_\_\_

What service was rendered? \_\_\_\_\_ Were x-rays taken? Y/N (circle) \_\_\_\_\_

When was the last time a full series of x-rays was taken of your teeth? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had regular cleanings and exams? Y/N (circle)

Do you have a fear or phobia or the dentist that prevents you from visiting the dentist on a regular basis? Y/N (circle)

Would you be interested in help to deal with this fear, such as the use of Nitrous Oxide? Y/N (circle)

Have you lost teeth? Y/N (circle) Why? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had complications with extractions? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you worn braces? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_ How Long? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you still wear retainers? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had treatment for periodontal disease (gum disease) or where you told you had periodontal disease? \_\_\_\_\_ Please explain and give dates \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you brush your teeth? \_\_\_\_\_ x/day AM \_\_\_\_\_ PM \_\_\_\_\_ Do you floss? \_\_\_\_\_ x/day

Do you use other hygiene aids? \_\_\_\_\_

Do your gums bleed when you brush? \_\_\_\_\_ or floss? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an unpleasant taste in your mouth? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any areas of your mouth where foods collects or wedges between your teeth? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you noticed a dry mouth? Y/N Excessive water drinking/sipping? Y/N Frequent Use of Lozengers? Y/N

Do you have clicking or popping sounds when you open or close your mouth? \_\_\_\_\_ Pain? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you clench or grind your teeth either during the day or at night? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you experience headaches? \_\_\_\_\_ Frequency? \_\_\_\_\_ When do they come? \_\_\_\_\_

Are any of your teeth sensitive? \_\_\_\_\_ Sweets? \_\_\_\_\_ Cold? \_\_\_\_\_ Hot? \_\_\_\_\_ Pressure? \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you interested in mercury safe removal of amalgam (mercury) fillings?** \_\_\_\_\_

## TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION

I consent to whatever dental procedures and anesthetics are necessary for treatment. I also understand that payment is my obligation regardless of insurance or any other third party involvement.

Signature of Patient or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Dentist \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



# **HERSHEY DENTAL ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.**

## **Photo and Testimonial Release Form**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby grant permission to Hershey Dental Associates, LLC to use my photograph and any testimonial I give regarding the dental care I receive from any such office, in any marketing, contests, advertising or teaching materials used to market or advertise his/her dental practices, including use on Hershey Dental Associates, LLC's website. Hershey Dental Associates, LLC will not utilize your likeness or image without your expressed and written permission.

I acknowledge Hershey Dental Associates, LLC may choose not to use my photograph and testimonial at this time, but may do so at Hershey Dental's own discretion at a later date.

I also understand that once my image is posted on Hershey Dental Associates, LLC's website, the image can be downloaded by any computer user, which beyond the control of Hershey Dental Associates, LLC, and I will hold the practice and any of its affiliates harmless from any such use or download.

**I hereby freely and voluntarily consent to the use of my photograph and testimonial as stated above until I revoke this consent in writing.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian signature if under age of 18)

**To revoke this consent in writing, please contact:**  
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