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Financial Policy

PAYMENT IN FULL, LESS ESTIMATED INSURANCE, IS EXPECTED AT TIME OF SERVICE UNLESS PRIOR ARRANGMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE.

As a courtesy, we are happy to bill your insurance company. However, you are ultimately responsible for any amounts not covered by insurance. We try our best to estimate what your insurance will pay for procedures but actual payments received from the companies may be higher or lower than estimated. Please remember that insurance is a benefit and not a guarantee of payment for dental work.

A special note on fillings: Our goal is optimal patient care. In accordance with this, we follow the growing trend in the dental industry to offer only composite (tooth-colored) fillings instead of amalgam (silver) fillings that contain mercury. Please be aware that some insurance plans pay only the amalgam benefit on a composite filling on a back tooth. In these cases, the patient is responsible for the difference in fees. If you have any questions about your insurance coverage for these procedures, please contact your insurance company.

A service charge of 1 ½ % per month (18% per year) and a debt recovery charge of \$13.99 will be charged on unpaid balances exceeding 60 days, unless prior financial arrangements have been made. In the event that your account must be sent to a collection agency for non-payment, you will also be responsible for all cost of collections, court fees and attorney fees.

A \$25 service fee will be added to your account for all returned checks.

I have read the above information and understand that I am financially responsible for all charges, whether or not they are covered by insurance.

Signature of responsible party

Date

Relationship to patient