Informed Consent

General Consent for Treatment

All dental and anesthetic procedures have associated risks. These may be, but are not limited to:

- **Drug reactions and side effects**
- **Damage to adjacent teeth or fillings**
- **Post-operative infection**
- **Post-operative bleeding that might require additional treatment**
- **Delayed healing of an extraction site, (dry socket) necessitating additional care**
- **Sinus involvement during removal of upper molars which may require additional treatment or surgical repair at later date**
- **Involvement of the nerves during oral surgery or administration of local anesthesia resulting in temporary or possibly permanent numbness or tingling of the lip, chin, tongue, or other areas**
- **Bruising, swelling, sensitivity, or pain**
- **Failure of the dental procedure necessitating additional treatment**
- **Breakage of dental instruments inside tooth canals making additional treatment necessary**
- **Complications during treatment necessitating referral to a specialist**

I have read and understand the associated risks involved in dental and anesthetic procedures. Further, I realize that the above list cannot be all-emcompassing and that other complications may arise during or after treatment.

Patient Signature _____ **Date** _____

Witness _____

(PLEASE PRINT)

PATIENT INFORMATION

Date _____

ID#/SS# _____

Patient _____

Address _____

_____

City State Zip

Sex: ☐ M ☐ F Age _____ Birthdate _____

☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Widowed ☐ Separated ☐ Divorced

Occupation _____

Employer _____

Employer Address _____

Employer Phone _____

Spouse's Name _____

Birthdate _____ SS# _____

Occupation _____

Spouse's Employer _____

Who may we thank for referring you? _____

E-mail _____

DENTAL INSURANCE

Who is responsible for this account? _____

Relationship to Patient _____

Insurance Co. _____

Group # _____

Is patient covered by additional insurance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Subscriber's Name _____

Birthdate _____ SS# _____

Relationship to Patient _____

Insurance Co. _____

Group # _____

ASSIGNMENT AND RELEASE

I, the undersigned certify that I (or my dependent) have insurance coverage with _____ and assign directly to Dr. _____ all insurance benefits, if any, otherwise payable to me for services rendered. I understand that I am financially responsible for all charges whether or not paid by insurance. I hereby authorize the doctor to release all information necessary to secure the payment of benefits. I authorize the use of this signature on all insurance submissions.

_____

Responsible Party Signature

_____ _____

Relationship Date

PHONE NUMBERS

Home (_____) _____ Work (_____) _____ Ext _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

Best time and place to reach you _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, CONTACT (Specify someone who does not live in your household.)

Name _____ Relationship _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Work Phone (_____) _____

DENTAL HISTORY

Reason for today's visit _____

_____

Former Dentist _____

City/State _____

Date of last dental visit _____

Date of last dental X-rays _____

Check (√) if you have had any of the following:

- ☐ Bad breath
- ☐ Bleeding gums
- ☐ Blisters on lips or mouth
- ☐ Burning sensation on tongue
- ☐ Chew on one side of mouth
- ☐ Cigarette, pipe, or cigar smoking
- ☐ Clicking or popping jaw
- ☐ Dry mouth
- ☐ Fingernail biting
- ☐ Food collection between the teeth
- ☐ Foreign objects
- ☐ Grinding teeth
- ☐ Gums swollen or tender
- ☐ Jaw pain or tiredness
- ☐ Lip or cheek biting
- ☐ Loose teeth or broken fillings
- ☐ Mouth breathing
- ☐ Mouth pain, brushing
- ☐ Orthodontic treatment
- ☐ Pain around ear
- ☐ Periodental treatment
- ☐ Sensitivity to cold
- ☐ Sensitivity to heat
- ☐ Sensitivity to sweets
- ☐ Sensitivity when biting
- ☐ Sores or growths in your mouth

How often do you floss? _____

How often do you brush? _____

DENTAL REGISTRATION AND HISTORY

HEALTH HISTORY

Physician's Name _____ Date of last visit _____

Have you ever taken any of the group of drugs collectively referred to as "fen-phen"? These include combinations of Ionimin, Adipex, Fastin (brand names of phentermine), Pondimin (lenfluramine) and Redux (dexfenfluramine). ☐ Yes ☐ No

Check (√) if you have had any of the following:

- ☐ AIDS/HIV
- ☐ Anemia
- ☐ Arthritis, Rheumatism
- ☐ Artificial Heart Valves
- ☐ Artificial Joints
- ☐ Asthma
- ☐ Back Problems
- ☐ Bleeding abnormally, with extractions or surgery
- ☐ Blood Disease
- ☐ Cancer
- ☐ Chemical Dependency
- ☐ Chemotherapy
- ☐ Circulatory Problems
- ☐ Congenital Heart Lesions
- ☐ Cortisone Treatments
- ☐ Cough, persistent or bloody
- ☐ Diabetes
- ☐ Emphysema
- ☐ Epilepsy
- ☐ Fainting or dizziness
- ☐ Glaucoma
- ☐ Headaches
- ☐ Heart Murmur
- ☐ Heart Problems
- ☐ Hepatitis Type _____
- ☐ Herpes
- ☐ High Blood Pressure
- ☐ Jaundice
- ☐ Jaw Pain
- ☐ Kidney Disease
- ☐ Liver Disease
- ☐ Low Blood Pressure
- ☐ Mitral Valve Prolapse
- ☐ Nervous Problems
- ☐ Pacemaker
- ☐ Psychiatric Care
- ☐ Radiation Treatment
- ☐ Respiratory Disease
- ☐ Rheumatic Fever
- ☐ Scarlet Fever
- ☐ Shortness of Breath
- ☐ Sinus Trouble
- ☐ Skin Rash
- ☐ Stroke
- ☐ Swelling of Feet or Ankles
- ☐ Swollen Neck Glands
- ☐ Thyroid Problems
- ☐ Tonsillitis
- ☐ Tuberculosis
- ☐ Tumor or growth on head or neck
- ☐ Ulcer
- ☐ Venereal Disease
- ☐ Weight Loss, unexplained

Do you wear contact lenses? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Women:

Are you pregnant? ☐ Yes ☐ No Due date _____ Are you nursing? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Taking birth control pills? ☐ Yes ☐ No

MEDICATIONS

List any medications you are currently taking and the corresponding diagnosis:

_____

_____

Pharmacy Name _____

Phone _____

ALLERGIES

- ☐ Aspirin
- ☐ Barbiturates (Sleeping pills)
- ☐ Codeine
- ☐ Iodine
- ☐ Latex
- ☐ Local Anesthetic
- ☐ Penicillin
- ☐ Sulfa
- ☐ Other _____

_____

UPDATES (To be filled in at future appointments)

Has there been any change in your health since your last dental appointment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

For what conditions? _____

Are you taking any new medications? _____ If so, what _____

Patient's Signature _____ Date _____

Doctor's Signature _____ Date _____

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For what conditions? _____

Are you taking any new medications? _____ If so, what _____

Patient's Signature _____ Date _____

Doctor's Signature _____ Date _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

* You May Refuse to Sign This Acknowledgement *

1. _____ have received a copy of this office's Notice of Privacy Practices.

_____
Please Print Name

_____
Signature

_____
Date

For Office Use Only

We attempted to obtain written ackowledgement of receipt of our Notice of Privacy Practices, but acknowledgement could not be obtained because:

- ☐ Individual refused to sign
- ☐ Communications barriers prohibited obtaining the acknowledgement
- ☐ An emergency situation prevented us from obtaining acknowledgement
- ☐ Other (Please Specify)

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GEOFF POTTS, D.D.S.

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION.

PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.
THE PRIVACY OF YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT TO US.

OUR LEGAL DUTY

We are required by applicable federal and state law to maintain the privacy of your health information. We are also required to give you this Notice about our privacy practices, our legal duties, and your rights concerning your health information. We must follow the privacy practices that are described in this Notice while it is in effect. This Notice takes effect 01/01/2003, and will remain in effect until we replace it.

We reserve the right to change our privacy practices and the terms of the Notice at any time, provided such changes are permitted by applicable law. We reserve the right to make the changes in our privacy practices and the new terms of our Notice effective for all health information that we maintain, including health information we created or received before we made the changes. Before we make a significant change in our privacy practices, we will change this Notice and make the new Notice available upon request.

You may request a copy of our Notice at any time. For more information about our privacy practices, or for additional copies of this Notice, please contact us using the information listed at the end of this Notice.

USES AND DISCLOSURES OF HEALTH INFORMATION

We use and disclose health information about you for treatment, payment, and healthcare operations. For example:

Treatment: We may use or disclose your health information to a physician or other healthcare provider providing treatment to you.

Payment: We may use and disclose your health information to obtain payment for services we provide to you.

Healthcare Operations: We may use and disclose your health information in connection with our healthcare operations. Healthcare operations include quality assessment and improvement activities, reviewing the competence or qualifications of healthcare professionals, evaluating practitioner and provider performance, conducting training programs, accreditation, certification, licensing or credentialing activities.

Your Authorization: In addition to our use of your health information for treatment, payment or healthcare operations, you may give us written authorization to use your health information or to disclose it to anyone for any purpose. If you give us an authorization, you may revoke it in writing at any time. Your revocation will not affect any use or disclosures permitted by your authorization while it was in effect. Unless you give us a written authorization, we cannot use or disclose your health information for any reason except those described in the Notice.

To Your Family and Friends: We must disclose your health information to you, as described in the Patient Rights section of this Notice. We may disclose your health information to a family member, friend or other person to the extent necessary to help with your healthchare or with payment for your healthcare, but only if you agree that we may do so.

Persons Involved In Care: We may use or disclose health information to notify, or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating) a family member, your personal representative or another person responsible for your care, of your location, your general condition, or death. If you are present, then prior to use or disclosure of your health information, we will provide you with an opportunity to object to such uses or disclosures, in the event of your incapacity or emergency circumstances, we will disclose health information based on a determination using our professional judgment disclosing only health information that is directly relevant to the person's involvement in your healthcare. We will also use our professional judgment and our experience with common practice to make reasonable inferences of your best interest in allowing a person to pick up filled prescriptions, medical supplies, x-rays, or other similar forms of health information.

Marketing Health Related Services: We will not use your health information for marketing communications without your written authorization.

Required by Law: We may use or disclose your health information when we are required to do so by law.

Abuse or Neglect: We may disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if we reasonably believe that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence or the possible victim of other crimes. We may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to avert a serious threat to your health or safety or the health or safety of others.

National Security: We may disclose to military authorities the health information of Armed Forces personnel under certain circumstances. We may disclose to authorized federal officials health information required for lawful intelligence, counterintelligence, and other national security activities. We may disclose to correctional institution or law enforcement official having lawful custody of protected health information of inmate or patient under certain circumstances.

Appointment Reminders: We may use or disclose your health information to provide you with appointment reminders (such as voicemail messages, postcards, or letters).

PATIENT RIGHTS

Access: You have the right to look at or get copies of your health information, with limited exceptions. You may request that we provide copies in a format other than photocopies. We will use the format you request unless we cannot practicably do so. (You must make a request in writing to obtain access to your health information. You obtain a form to request access by using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice. We will charge you a reasonable cost-based fee for expenses such as copies and staff time. You may also request access by sending us a letter to the address at the end of this Notice. If you request copies, we will charge you $0.25 for each page, $5.00 per hour for staff time to locate and copy your health information, and postage, if you want the copies mailed to you. If you request an alternative format, we will charge a cost-based fee for providing your health information in that format. If you prefer, we will prepare a summary or an explanation of your health information for a fee. Contact us using the information listed at the end of this Notice for a full explanation of our fee structure.

Disclosure Accounting: You have the right to receive a list of instances in which we or our business associates disclosed your health information for purposes, other than treatment, payment, healthcare operations and certain other activities, for the last 6 years, but not before April 14, 2003. If you request this accounting more than once in a 12-month period, we may charge you a reasonable, cost-based fee for responding to these additional requests.

Restriction: You have the right to request that we place additional restrictions on our use of disclosure of your health information. We are not required to agree to these additional restrictions, but if we do, we will abide by our agreement (except in an emergency).

Alternative Communication: You have the right to request that we communicate with you about your health information by alternative means or to alternative locations. (You must make your request in writing.) Your request must specify the alternative means or location, and provide satisfactory explanation how payments will be handled under the alternative means or location you request.

Amendment: You have the right to request that we amend your health information. (Your request must be in writing, and it must explain why the information should be amended.) We may deny your request under certain circumstances.

Electronic Notice: If you receive this Notice on our Web site or by electronic mail (e-mail), you are entitled to receive this Notice in written form.

QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS

If you want more information about our privacy practices or have questions or concerns, please contact us.

If you are concerned that we may have violated your privacy rights, or you disagree with a decision we made about access to your health information or in response to a request you made to amend or restrict the use or disclosure of your health information or to have us communicate with you by alternative means or at alternative locations, you may complain to us using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice. You also may submit a written complaint to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We will provide you with the address to file your complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services upon request.

We support your right to the privacy of your health information. We will not retaliate in any way if you choose to file a complaint with us or with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Contact Officer: GEOFF POTTS, D.D.S.

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E-mail: drpotts@geoffpottsdds.com

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GEOFF POTTS D.D.S.

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Dear Patient:

For the last several years many changes have occurred in the dental field. None has had such a profound effect on the way dentistry is now being practiced as has the COVID pandemic.

Prior to the time when “COVID” was a household word, dentistry had an impeccable record, regarding prevention of cross-contamination between the patient, doctor, and staff. The same can be said for our current situation.

The dental and medical professions have come under intense and extensive federal and state regulations. The infection control regulations, too numerous to list here, have been very costly.

To defray the cost of infection control, we could have made an across the board percentage fee increase. We do not feel this is the fairest way, because more expensive procedures would carry too much of the burden. The cost of infection control is more related to the number of visits rather than the particular procedure.

An infection control fee on a per visit basis is the fairest way to help cover the rising cost of infection control. Our infection control fee is $28 per visit.

We hope this letter has been informative and explained to your satisfaction the necessity for this charge.

Sincerely,

Geoff Potts, D.D.S.

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NOTE TO OUR PATIENTS

As a courtesy, we will file dental insurance claims for our patients. This does not transfer your financial obligation to your insurance company. Estimated patient portions are to be paid at time of service. Therefore, you are responsible for any outstanding balance after insurance payment is received.

Missed appointment fee: If you miss a confirmed appointment and do not attempt to notify our office in advance, preferably 24 hours, you will be charged a $70.00 no-show fee. This fee must be paid before a new appointment can be scheduled.

For your benefit, we are an amalgam-free office! This means we only place the tooth colored bonded fillings. If your insurance only allows the amalgam fee, you will still be responsible for any amount your insurance does not cover.

NAME (print) _____

SIGNATURE_____

DATE_____

Thank you,
Geoff Potts, DDS