## FINANCIAL POLICY OF DRS. STRULL & STRULL, PSC

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Full payment is due at the time of service for all patients without insurance OR *proof* of insurance. WE WILL NOT BILL YOUR INSURANCE UNLESS YOU PROVIDE A CURRENT INSURANCE CARD.

We will give you a fee that is expected to be paid the day of service. You may pay by cash, check or credit card. If you need financing we offer Care Credit. Please request details from our finance manager.

If you have insurance and provide us all the proper information, we are happy to file insurance claims for you and we accept assignment of benefits on most insurance plans. If you would like us to file insurance for you, you will be responsible for the following:

Payments due at the time of DENTAL services are:

- a. Percentage not covered by your insurance
- b. Deductible
- c. Any amount over your maximum
- d. Any fees not covered by your insurance

Payments due at the time of MEDICAL services are:

- a. Co-pay b. Deductible
  - c. Any fees not covered by your insurance

Our contract with insurance companies include:

- 1. We do not file medical insurance for dental procedures, i.e. tooth removal, wisdom teeth, etc., nor do we take the "write off".
- 2. Full charges for services not covered by your insurance are your responsibility, meaning if insurance does not pay on a service, we do not take the "write off".

If you would like a list of codes and fees written out we will be happy to give this to you. However, the quote that we give you is just an <u>ESTIMATE</u> based on the benefits we receive from your insurance company. There is <u>NOT</u> a guarantee, by your insurance company or us that your insurance company will pay. You may have a remaining balance, after insurance is billed and pays their portion, which is your responsibility.

You may request a written Pre Determination be sent to insurance, but these are not routinely done. It can take up to 4 -6 weeks to receive these back from the insurance company. Again there is NOT a guarantee of payment by your insurance company, even if we receive something in writing from your insurance.

Some dental insurance require that medical insurance be filed before they will pay on services. In this case WE DO NOT file medical insurance for dental procedures. We will give you the necessary information for you to file it. *HOWEVER* you must provide a copy of the denial within 30 days to us in order for us to file your dental insurance or the balance of your account will be due <u>by you</u>. Again, a "write off" will not be taken on the medical insurance.

Our expectations of you as the owner of the insurance policy include:

- 1. Present our office with <u>ALL CURRENT</u> insurance information, including mailing address.
- 2. Any charges considered cosmetic or not medically necessary will be your responsibility and will be due in full at the time of service.
- 3. You are responsible for payment if the insurance company does not pay our office <u>within 30 days</u>. Once you have received a second statement, you need to call your insurance and then contact us or your account will be turned over to collections.
- 4. Keep our office informed of any changes in your insurance coverage or employment.
- 5. Realize that it is your responsibility to contact your referring physician for all necessary referrals that are required by your insurance company.

\*\*PLEASE REMEMBER, YOUR INSURANCE POLICY IS A CONTRACT BETWEEN YOU AND YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY. WE ARE NOT A PARTY TO THAT CONTRACT.

> PLEASE NOTE ACCOUNT BALANCES PAST 60 DAYS WILL BE CHARGED INTEREST AT THE RATE OF 1.5% MONTHLY (18% APR)

## PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING AND SIGN BELOW:

1. Adult patients accept full responsibility for the payment of their own account as described above.

2. Minor patients <u>MUST</u> be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian each visit. The parent/legal guardian accompanying the minor to the first visit will be assigned as guarantor on the account, <u>accepting full</u> responsibility for payment of the minors account. This may not be the person who carries the insurance. We will <u>not</u> bill former spouses or non-custodial parents without a full copy of a court order indicating such person is fully responsible for medical expenses.

3. Although this practice may file an assigned claim to my insurance carrier on my behalf, this action does not resolve my financial responsibilities. I understand that if insurance does not pay I will be responsible for payment in full on my account.

4. I understand that interest may be charged on accounts placed for collection at a rate of 1 1/2% a month or 18% a year.

I hereby authorize Drs. James and/or Gregory Strull to release to my insurance company information acquired in the course of my dental and/or medical care. I hereby authorize benefits to be paid directly to Drs. Strull & Strull, PSC. I understand I am responsible for any unpaid balance.

Name of Patient

Signature of Responsible Party

Date