

## OFFICE POLICIES

Providence Dental Care believes the best choice for “filling” restorations are white resins. In almost all cases, except where excessive salivation is present, white fillings are superior to amalgams (old silver type fillings). This office only gives the treatment option of white resin fillings. Your insurance may cover only up to an amalgam (silver type) filling fee. You are responsible for the difference in fees.

Our office follows the guidelines of the American Dental Association in regards to fluoride treatment for every patient under the age of 18. They recommend fluoride treatment every six months. Some insurance policies do not cover this frequency. It will be your responsibility to inform the office if you wish to decline this service.

Dental Exams and X-rays are imperative for proper diagnoses. They allow our providers to examine your entire tooth and help prevent permanent and non-repairable damage. Each patient has to have a dental exam every six months. Bite-wing X-rays must be taken once every year and a panoramic x-ray must be taken every 5 years. Some insurance policies do not cover this frequency and it will be your responsibility to cover these charges.

To better serve your dental needs, please let us know if there is a change in your health history, dental insurance or address/phone number.

Payment is DUE ON THE DAY OF SERVICE. If insurance benefits apply, the patient's portion is due at the initiation of treatment. If the insurance fails to pay as ESTIMATED, the patient is responsible for the treatment amounts plus finance charges if applicable.

Due to the high cost of today's dental office overhead, there is a \$40.00 per hour broken appointment charge without 48 hour notice.

**I have read and understand the above.**

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Patient or guardian signature