

Confidential Patient Information

Please print legibly and fill in to the best of your knowledge.

Personal Information

e:			
Si	tate:	Zip Code:	
Marital Status:	Sp	ouse Name:	
(Work)		(Cell)	
l: Referred By:			
Financially Responsib	le For T	The Account	
Relationship:	ip: SSN:		
(Work)		(Cell)	
Dental Insurance In	formatio	on	
		Ph#	
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Confidential Patient Information II Please print legibly and fill in to the best of your knowledge.

Health Information

Per	sonal	l Physi	ician Name:			
Per	sonal	l Physi	ician Address:			
	Yes	No	1.) Have you been hospitalized within the past 2 years? For what?			
	Yes	No	2.) Are you currently being treated by a physician? For what?			
	Yes	No	3.) Are you currently taking any m	edications or drugs? Ple	ase list	
	Yes	No	4.) Have you received counseling	for excessive use of alco	phol or drugs?	
	Yes	No	5.) Are you allergic to any drugs? Which ones?			
	Yes	No	6.) Have you ever had a skin rash or other reaction to metal jewelry?			
	Yes	No	7.) Are you allergic to any metals?	?		
	Yes	No	8.) Do you bleed excessively upon injury?			
	Yes	No	9.) Are you pregnant?			
	Yes	No	10.) Have you ever been involved	with dental or medical le	egal activity?	
	C	ircle	Any of the Following Cond	itions That You Hav	e Had or Have Now	
b. c. d. e.	AIDS Arthr Asthr Cand Diab Epile	itis ma cer etes	g. Glaucomah. Heart Murmuri. Heart Problemj. Hepatitisk. High Blood Pressurel. Jaundice	m. Kidney Problemsn. Low Blood Pressuro. Nervous Break Dovp. Psychiatric Therapyq. Osteoporosisr. Rheumatic Fever	vn u. Tuberculosis	
			Person to be Contacted	in Case of Emerge	ncy	
Name:		SSN:				
Add	dress	:				
Telephone: (Home) (Work		ome) (Work)	(Cell)		
Pati	ent Sig	gnature			 Date	



Financial Policies for Patients With Insurance

Patient Insurance Plans (Contracts): Insurance plans vary widely from provider to provider, employer to employer and patient to patient. We gain as much information from your insurance provider as possible to provide you with the most accurate estimates we can. Insurance companies do not provide us with contracts they entered into with you. Because of this, it is your responsibility to understand your individual plan and its limitations. You always have the option to call your insurance company for further clarification prior to completion of treatment.

<u>Secondary Insurance Plans:</u> Secondary insurance plans make estimations extremely difficult. If you have a secondary plan we will do our best to estimate your financial obligations, however, having a secondary plan does not release you from all financial obligations.

Treatment Plans: After your initial appointment, and any other exam that yields need of treatment, a treatment plan will be made available to you with what we *estimate* your insurance will cover. While we don't recommend waiting on any necessary treatment, we will list the items in order of priority by quadrant of the mouth (i.e. Upper Right (UR), Upper Left (UL) and so on). If there are elective procedures for cosmetic reasons or other non-pathologic treatment options we will place them in an alternate treatment plan. If you have any questions on what treatment is necessary and what is elective please ask us. We ask that you sign this treatment plan to show you've received it only. This is NOT consent for treatment, it solely shows that you have been given the suggested treatment and any alternate options that may be available.

<u>Pre-Determinations:</u> We will file pre-determinations if requested. We do not routinely file these with treatment that is needed due to cavities, fractures or other pathology as time is typically of the essence when treating these conditions. Pre-determinations can take up to 3-6 months to receive back from insurance companies and that could mean the difference between a routine filling and needing a root canal or possible loss of the tooth. Please take this into consideration when requesting them. It is much easier for us to fight a denied claim if they haven't sent us a pre-determined denial.

<u>Insurance Filing:</u> We will file primary and secondary insurance claims for you. If you prefer to file on your own please ask and we will provide you with the necessary paperwork.

Insurance Denials: Insurance companies periodically deny payment. Most of the time the denials are made because they require additional information from us. Most of these are resolved on the first appeal. Occasionally insurance continues to deny payment after the first appeal. Insurance allows us to file two appeals before they close the claim and require you to pay the difference. The appeals process can take up to a year to complete. If we get a denial after the first appeal we will notify you prior to making a secondary appeal to your insurance company. This is a good time for you to contact your provider as they tend to resolve concerns more favorably when the patient gets involved.

<u>Silverstone Dental Insurance Contracts:</u> Our contracts with your insurance company require us to collect patient portions including full payment at the discounted rate if they deny payment. "Writing Off" the balance on denied payments constitutes insurance fraud, please do not request the balance to be written off.

<u>Accepted Forms Of Payment:</u> We accept cash, personal checks and credit card payments (American Express, Master Card, Visa and Discover Card). We also accept HSA, Care Credit and Lending Club payment for treatment rendered. We do not offer in-office financing.

<u>Payment at Time of Service:</u> For insured patients only the estimated portion (co-pay) will be due at the time of service. If the insurance portion is unpaid by your insurance provider we will contact you.

Non-payment and Outstanding Balances: Insurance companies can take up to a year to pay their balance for various reasons. If there is any remaining balance due to insurance underpayment or other reason we will contact

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you through the mail (or email if you prefer) notifying you of your financial obligation. We will mail out 2 statements, if no response or contact is made a final notice will be mailed out via priority mail (USPS). Each of these mailings will occur at 1 month intervals. If no contact is made with our office the account will be turned over to an outside collection agency. If we cannot locate you (phone number, email or address change) your account may be turned over to a collection agency as well. Please keep us updated on any changes in your contact information so we can avoid this scenario.

Accounts Turned Over to Collections: If there is no action made on an outstanding account as noted above, it will be turned over to a collection agency. All collections and interest fees will be added to the remaining balance prior to sending the account to collections. The collection fee is 40% of the remaining balance. Interest of 21% APR will also be added to the balance as well. Please contact our office if you have any questions on remaining balances as we prefer not to involve collection agencies.

<u>Cancellation Policies:</u> While we try to be accommodating of true emergencies and unforeseen constraints placed on our patients that may effect their ability to keep appointments, we require a minimum of 24 hours notice prior to a cancellation (as there are many people waiting for appointments). If cancellation is made within the 24 hour window a cancellation fee will be applied in the amount of \$50 per hour of scheduled time. For instance; if you were scheduled for 1.5 hours of chair time for a crown and cancelled within the 24 hour grace period you would be charged \$75 (\$50 x 1.5 hr). Cancellation fees will also be applied for patients that are more than 15 minutes late and the appointment will be rescheduled.

Statements: We send statements on a monthly basis after all insurance payments are collected as described above.

Patient Signature	Date
I have read and understand the financial and cancellation policies for SDMD, P.C.)	Silverstone Dental (Brent J. Nielsen
Please send my statements to my home mailing address via USPS.	
Please send my statement to the email address on file or to this email ad	ddress:
Please select one of the following options for statement delivery:	



HIPAA Information and Consent Form

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) provides safeguards to protect your privacy. Implementation of HIPAA requirements officially began on April 14, 2003. Many of the policies have been *our* practice for years. This form is a "friendly" version. A more complete text is posted in the office.

What this is all about: Specifically, there are rules and restrictions on who may see or be notified of your Protected Health Information (PHI). These restrictions do not include the normal interchange of information necessary to provide you with office services. HIPAA provides certain rights and protections to you as the patient. We balance these needs with our goal of providing you with quality professional service and care. Additional information is available from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. www.hhs.gov

We have adopted the following policies:

- 1. Patient information will be kept confidential except as is necessary to provide services or to ensure that all administrative matters related to your care are handled appropriately. This specifically includes the sharing of information with other healthcare providers, laboratories, health insurance payers as is necessary and appropriate for your care. Patient files may be stored in open file racks and will not contain any coding which identifies a patient's condition or information which is not already a matter of public record. The normal course of providing care means that such records may be left, at least temporarily, in administrative areas such as the front office, examination room, etc. Those records will not be available to persons other than office staff. You agree to the normal procedures utilized within the office for the handling of charts, patient records, PHI and other documents or information.
- 2. It is the policy of this office to remind patients of their appointments. We may do this by telephone, e-mail, U.S mail, or by any means convenient for the practice and/or as requested by you. We may send you other communications informing you of changes to office policy and new technology that you might find valuable or informative.
- 3. The practice utilizes a number of vendors in the conduct of business. These vendors may have access to PHI but must agree to abide by the confidentiality rules of HIPAA.
- 4. You understand and agree to inspections of the office and review of documents which may include PHI by government agencies or insurance payers in normal performance of their duties.
- 5. You agree to bring any concerns or complaints regarding privacy to the attention of the office manger or the doctor.
- 6. Your confidential information will not be used for the purposes of marketing or advertising of products, goods or services.
- 7. We agree to provide patients with access to their records in accordance with state and federal laws.
- 8. We may change, add, delete or modify any of these provisions to better serve the needs of the both the practice and the patient.
- 9. You have the right to request restrictions in the use of your protected health information and to request change in certain policies used within the office concerning your PHI. However, we are not obligated to alter internal policies to conform to your request.

I,acknowledge my agreement to the terms set fort	_ have read the agreement above and do hereby consent and th in the HIPAA Information & Consent Form and any
subsequent changes in office policy, with or with	out notice. I understand that this consent shall remain in
force from this time forward. I further understand	that Brent J. Nielsen, DMD dba Silverstone Dental may
make changes as necessary to reflect updates a	and changes enforced by HIPAA regulatory agencies.
Patient or Guardian Signature	Date