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#### **AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF IDENTIFYING HEALTH INFORMATION**

I authorize the professional office of my dentist named above to release health information identifying me [including if applicable, information about HIV infection or AIDS, information about substance abuse treatment, and information about mental health services] under the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Detailed description of the information to be released:
- 2. To whom may the information be released [name(s) or class(es) of recipients]:
- 3. The purpose(s) for the release (if the authorization is initiated by the individual, it is permissible to state "at the request of the individual" as the purpose, if desired by the individual):
- 4. Expiration date or event relating to the individual or purpose for the release:

It is completely your decision whether or not to sign this authorization form. We cannot refuse to treat you if you choose not to sign this authorization.

If you sign this authorization, you can revoke it later. The only exception to your right to revoke is if we have already acted in reliance upon the authorization. If you want to revoke your authorization, send us a written or electronic note telling us that your authorization is revoked. Send this note to the office contact person listed at the top of this form.

When your health information is disclosed as provided in this authorization, the recipient often has no legal duty to protect its confidentiality. In many cases, the recipient may re-disclose the information as he/she wishes. Sometimes, state or federal law changes this possibility.

[For marketing authorizations, include, as applicable: We will receive direct or indirect remuneration from a third party for disclosing your identifiable health information in accordance with this authorization.]

Signature:	Date:
	RSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PATIENT, DESCRIBE YOUR ENT AND THE SOURCE OF YOUR AUTHORITY TO SIGN THIS FORM:
Relationship:	Source of Authority:

# Effective date of notice: March 1st, 2010 NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

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# THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

We respect our legal obligation to keep health information that identifies you private. We are obligated by law to give you notice of our privacy practices. This Notice describes how we protect your health information and what rights you have regarding it.

#### TREATMENT, PAYMENT, AND HEALTH CARE OPERATIONS

The most common reason why we use or disclose your health information is for treatment, payment or health care operations. Examples of how we use or disclose information for treatment purposes are: setting up an appointment for you; examining your teeth; prescribing medications and faxing them to be filled; referring you to another doctor or clinic for other health care or services; or getting copies of your health information from another professional that you may have seen before us. Examples of how we use or disclose your health information for payment purposes are: asking you about your health or dental care plans, or other sources of payment; preparing and sending bills or claims; and collecting unpaid amounts (either ourselves or through a collection agency or attorney). "Health care operations" mean those administrative and managerial functions that we have to do in order to run our office. Examples of how we use or disclose your health information for health care operations are: financial or billing audits; internal quality assurance; personnel decisions; participation in managed care plans; defense of legal matters; business planning; and outside storage of our records.

We routinely use your health information inside our office for these purposes without any special permission. If we need to disclose your health information outside of our office for these reasons, we usually will not ask you for special written permission.

#### USES AND DISCLOSURES FOR OTHER REASONS WITHOUT PERMISSION

In some limited situations, the law allows or requires us to use or disclose your health information without your permission. Not all of these situations will apply to us; some may never come up at our office at all. Such uses or disclosures are:

- when a state or federal law mandates that certain health information be reported for a specific purpose;
- for public health purposes, such as contagious disease reporting, investigation or surveillance; and notices to and from the federal Food and Drug Administration regarding drugs or medical devices:
- disclosures to governmental authorities about victims of suspected abuse, neglect or domestic violence;
- uses and disclosures for health oversight activities, such as for the licensing of doctors; for audits by Medicare or Medicaid; or for investigation of possible violations of health care laws;
- disclosures for judicial and administrative proceedings, such as in response to subpoenas or orders of courts or administrative agencies;
- disclosures for law enforcement purposes, such as to provide information about someone who is
  or is suspected to be a victim of a crime; to provide information about a crime at our office; or to

report a crime that happened somewhere else;

- disclosure to a medical examiner to identify a dead person or to determine the cause of death; or to funeral directors to aid in burial; or to organizations that handle organ or tissue donations;
- uses or disclosures for health related research;
- uses and disclosures to prevent a serious threat to health or safety;
- uses or disclosures for specialized government functions, such as for the protection of the president or high ranking government officials; for lawful national intelligence activities; for military purposes; or for the evaluation and health of members of the foreign service;
- disclosures of de-identified information:
- disclosures relating to worker's compensation programs;
- disclosures of a "limited data set" for research, public health, or health care operations;
- incidental disclosures that are an unavoidable by-product of permitted uses or disclosures;
- disclosures to "business associates" who perform health care operations for us and who commit to respect the privacy of your health information;

Unless you object, we will also share relevant information about your care with your family or friends who are helping you with your dental care.

#### **APPOINTMENT REMINDERS**

We may call or write to remind you of scheduled appointments, or that it is time to make a routine appointment. We may also call or write to notify you of other treatments or services available at our office that might help you. Unless you tell us otherwise, we will mail you an appointment reminder on a post card, and/or leave you a reminder message on your home answering machine or with someone who answers your phone if you are not home.

#### OTHER USES AND DISCLOSURES

We will not make any other uses or disclosures of your health information unless you sign a written "authorization form." Federal law determines the content of said "authorization form". Sometimes, we may initiate the authorization process if the use or disclosure is our idea. Sometimes you may initiate the process if it's your idea for us to send your information to someone else. Typically, in this situation you will give us a properly completed authorization form, or you can use one of ours. If we initiate the process and ask you to sign an authorization form, you do not have to sign it. If you do not sign the authorization, we cannot make the use or disclosure. If you do sign one, you may revoke it at any time unless we have already acted in reliance upon it. Revocations must be in writing. Send them to the office contact person named at the beginning of this Notice.

#### YOUR RIGHTS REGARDING YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION

The law gives you many rights regarding your health information. You can:

- ask us to restrict our uses and disclosures for purposes of treatment (except emergency treatment), payment or health care operations. We do not have to agree to do this, but if we agree, we must honor the restrictions that you want. To ask for a restriction, send a written request to the office contact person at the address, fax or E-mail shown at the beginning of this Notice.
- ask us to communicate with you in a confidential way, such as by phoning you at work rather than at home, by mailing health information to a different address, or by using E-mail to your personal E-mail address. We will accommodate these requests if they are reasonable, and if you pay us for any extra cost. If you want to ask for confidential communications, send a written request to the office contact person at the address, fax or E-mail shown at the beginning of this Notice.
- ask to see or to get photocopies of your health information. By law, there are a few limited situations in which we can refuse to permit access or copying. For the most part, however, you will be able to review or have a copy of your health information within 30 days of asking us (or sixty days if the information is stored off-site). You may have to pay for photocopies in advance. If we deny your request, we will send you a written explanation, and instructions about how to get an impartial review of our denial if one is legally available. By law, we can have one 30-day extension of the time for us to give you access or photocopies if we send you a written notice of the extension. If you want to review or get photocopies of your health information, send a written

request to the office contact person at the address, fax or E-mail shown at the beginning of this Notice.

- ask us to amend your health information if you think that it is incorrect or incomplete. If we agree, we will amend the information within 60 days from when you ask us. We will send the corrected information to persons who we know got the wrong information, and others that you specify. If we do not agree, you can write a statement of your position, and we will include it with your health information along with any rebuttal statement that we may write. Once your statement of position and/or our rebuttal is included in your health information, we will send it along whenever we make a permitted disclosure of your health information. By law, we can have one 30-day extension of time to consider a request for amendment if we notify you in writing of the extension. If you want to ask us to amend your health information, send a written request, including your reasons for the amendment, to the office contact person at the address, fax or E-mail shown at the beginning of this Notice.
- get a list of the disclosures that we have made of your health information within the past six years (or a shorter period if you want). By law, the list will not include: disclosures for purposes of treatment, payment or health care operations; disclosures with your authorization; incidental disclosures; disclosures required by law; and some other limited disclosures. You are entitled to one such list per year without charge. If you want more frequent lists, you will have to pay for them in advance. We will usually respond to your request within 60 days of receiving it, but by law we can have one 30-day extension of time if we notify you of the extension in writing. If you want a list, send a written request to the office contact person at the address, fax or E-mail shown at the beginning of this Notice.
- get additional paper copies of this Notice of Privacy Practices upon request. It does not matter
  whether you got one electronically or in paper form already. If you want additional paper copies,
  send a written request to the office contact person at the address, fax or E-mail shown at the
  beginning of this Notice.

#### **OUR NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES**

By law, we must abide by the terms of this Notice of Privacy Practices until we choose to change it. We reserve the right to change this notice at any time as allowed by law. If we change this Notice, the new privacy practices will apply to your health information that we already have as well as to such information that we may generate in the future. If we change our Notice of Privacy Practices, we will post the new notice in our office, have copies available in our office, and post it on our Web site.

#### **COMPLAINTS**

If you think that we have not properly respected the privacy of your health information, you are free to complain to us and/or the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights. We will not retaliate against you if you make a complaint. If you want to complain to us, send a written complaint to the office contact person at the address, fax or E-mail shown at the beginning of this Notice. If you prefer, you can discuss your complaint in person or by phone.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you want more information about our privacy practices, call or visit the office contact person at the address or phone number shown at the beginning of this Notice.

#### FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

Thank you for choosing Wyte Smiles to provide your dental care. We consider it an honor to have been chosen by you to do so. Our philosophy in serving people is to be informative, honest and forthright. Nowhere is that more important than in the area of finances. This Financial Agreement is indicative of our respect for your right to know ahead of time what our expectations are in the area of finances. If you have any questions or concerns about our Financial Agreement, please do not hesitate to ask our business office staff.

#### DENTAL INSURANCE

As a courtesy we will gladly file your clams and accept assignment of dental insurance benefits provided you agree to the following:

- You must provide us with an insurance card and all the information necessary to verify your coverage and file your claim.
- Your insurance policy is a contract between you, your employer and the insurance company. We are not a party to that contract. Our relationship is with you and not your insurance company.
- You are responsible for our fees and not what your insurance company allows or considers "usual, customary and reasonable," all of which vary from one company to another (unless we are an "in-network provider" for your insurance).
- Although we estimate your insurance benefits, we are not responsible for their accuracy. We will
  attempt to help you with your insurance to the best of our ability; however, knowledge of benefits
  as well as benefit amounts, limitations, exclusions, waiting periods, etc., is ultimately your
  responsibility. Receiving our services indicates your acceptance of responsibility to pay
  regardless of our estimate.
- All charges not paid by your insurance company are your responsibility regardless of the reason for nonpayment. Not all the services we provide are covered benefits, and benefits differ from one company to another. Fees for noncovered services, along with deductibles and co payments, are due at the time of service unless other arrangements have been made in advance.

#### PAYMENT POLICY

- We accept cash, personal checks, debit cards, Visa, MasterCard, Discover and offer financing through CareCredit.
- After dental insurance has paid its portion, a statement is sent to the mailing address on record for the remaining balance. Payment is expected within 25 days of the statement date to avoid finance charges.
- If the insurance company does not pay in full within 30 days, it will be your responsibility to pay the balance due within 2 weeks.
- We do not file claims for medical.

#### PATIENTS WITHOUT INSURANCE COVERAGE:

A written estimate of fees is provided for treatment. Payment is expected at each visit for services rendered unless other arrangements have been made in advance.

#### **MINOR PATIENTS**

The parent or guardian accompanying the minor is responsible for the full payment, and the same policy applies to divorced or separated patents (no exceptions). The office will not attempt to collect payment from the parent that is not present in the office at that visit.

#### FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

We understand temporary financial problems may affect timely payments of your balance. In such situations, we encourage you to communicate any problems immediately so we may assist you in the management of your account.

#### **OVER DUE BALANCE**

Any account with an unpaid balance past 90 days will be sent to a collection agency. At that time you will be responsible for any and all cost incurred in the collection of your debt: an interest rate of 21% on the unpaid balance from the last day of service, attorney fees, court fees and any other fees associated with the collection of your debt.

#### **BROKEN OR MISSED APPOINTMENTS**

Appointments not kept or changed with less than 24 hours notice are considered broken. Broken appointments prevent others from receiving the dental care they deserve. We take this seriously, so please be considerate and inform us in advance if you need to change your appointment.

#### **RECORDS**

Original records, including radiographs (x-rays), are the property of this office. If you desire, we will provide you with a copy of your records and radiographs for a nominal duplication fee.

#### CONSENT AND AUTHORIZATION

I authorize dental treatment for myself and agree to pay all related professional fees.

I have read and understand this document in its entirety, outlining office and financial policies of DR. JOSHYUA WYTE, D.D.S. and WYTE SMILES P.C. and I agree to abide by the policies.

Signature:	Date:
	PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PATIENT, DESCRIBE YOUR TIENT AND THE SOURCE OF YOUR AUTHORITY TO SIGN THIS FORM
Dalationshine	Source of Authority:

## **PATIENT REGISTRATION**

	Name: Last Name:				
Patient Is: Policy Holder  Responsible Party		Preterred Na	ime:		
Responsible Party (if someone other that	n the patient)				
First Name:		Last Na	ame:		Middle Initial:
Address:			Address	2:	
City, State, Zip:					Pager:
Home Phone:	Work Phone	:		Ext:	Cellular:
Birth Date:	_ Soc Sec:			Drive	ers Lic:
O Responsible Party is also a Policy I	Holder for Patient	O Primary Ir	surance Po	olicy Holder	O Secondary Insurance Policy Holder
Patient Information					
Address:			Address		
City:		State / Zip:			Pager:
Home Phone:	Work Phone:			Ext:	Cellular:
Sex:	ale	Marital Status: (	Married	○ Single	ODivorced Separated Widowe
Birth Date:	Age:	Soc. Sec:			Drivers Lic:
E-mail:			l would li	ke to receive cor	respondences via e-mail.
Section 2					Section 3
Employment Status:	O Part Time	Retired			Driver's license #:
Student Status: Full Time	O Part Time				Spouse's name: Emergency name & #:
Medicaid ID:	Pref. Dent	ist:			Emoigone, name a
Forely and ID					
Employer ID:	Pref. Phari	macy:			
Carrier ID:	Pref. Hyg.:	<u> </u>			
-Primary Insurance Information					
Name of Insured:			Re	lationship to Inst	ured: Self Spouse Child O
Insured Soc. Sec:					<u></u>
Employer:			Ins. Co	ompany:	
Address:					
Address 2:					
City,State,Zip:  Rem. Benefits: .00	Rem. Deduct:		.00	, σιαιε, Σιρ.	
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City,State,Zip:			City	,State,Zip:	
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## **MEDICAL HISTORY**

PATIENT NAME	Birth Date				
Although dental personnel primarily treat the area in and around your mouth have, or medication that you may be taking, could have an important interre following questions.					
Are you under a physician's care now? Yes No Have you ever been hospitalized or had a major operation? Yes No Have you ever had a serious head or neck injury? Yes No Are you taking any medications, pills, or drugs? Yes No Do you take, or have you taken, Phen-Fen or Redux? Yes No Are you on a special diet? Yes No Do you use tobacco? Yes No Do you use controlled substances? Yes No	If yes, please explain:  If yes, please explain:  If yes, please explain:				
-Women: Are you— Pregnant/Trying to get pregnant?	ceptives?  Yes No Nursing? Yes No				
Are you allergic to any of the following?  Aspirin Penicillin Codeine Acrylic  Other If yes, please explain:	Metal Latex Local Anesthetics				
Do you have, or have you had, any of the following?  AIDS/HIV Positive	Hepatitis A				
Comments:					
To the best of my knowledge, the questions on this form have been accura dangerous to my (or patient's) health. It is my responsibility to inform the definition of the defini					

\_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PATIENT, PARENT, or GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_