Dear Friend,

Thank you for choosing me as your general dentist. I will personally do everything possible to deserve your trust. I see this as the beginning to a great relationship.

It is important that you know I treat each patient one at a time to give the utmost attention and care, giving time to listen to your concerns and make an accurate diagnosis to your problem. I also look forward to partnering with you to achieve and maintain a beautiful healthy smile.

I do realize that dental emergencies can be stressful when they happen to you or someone you love. To help alleviate some of your concern, I promise to respond to your telephone calls promptly.

In today's busy world I understand the frustration to sit in a waiting room past the time of your appointment. My staff and I are dedicated to do our best to get you started on time for your scheduled appointment.

As your dentist, I realize it is my responsibility to keep up with the latest developments in cosmetic and restorative dentistry. That is why I take continuing education courses and retain active membership in several professional dental organizations.

But even more important than all of my training and experience, is the 100 plus years experience that my staff and I have collectively in the field of dentistry. I am very proud of our dental team and the many years we have been together helping our patients feel comfortable and cared for in our office.

So why do I do these things? The answer is simple. I want to build a lasting relationship with you. It is my goal that when you come to see me you'll feel really good about every aspect of your experience and happy that you chose me for your dental care.

Sincerely,

DawnMarie DiGrazia, D.M.D

# WELCOME TO SOMERSET DENTAL ARTS

Date Home Phone _		Cell Phone			
Patient Name		Social Security #			
Address		_ City		State	Zip
Email		_ Male_	_ Female	Birth date_	
Patient Employer/School		Occupation			
Employer/School Address				Phone_	
Emergency Contact		Relation		Phone	
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Subscriber's name		Relation to Patient			
SS#	Group#	Ins. ID#			
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Patient Name:

# SOMERSET DENTAL ARTS Eaglesoft Medical History (Copy)

Birth Date:

Date Created:

Date:

Although dental personnel primarily treat the area in and around your mouth, your mouth is a part of your entire body. Health problems that you may have, or medication that you may be taking, c Are you under a physician's care now? OYes ONo If yes Have you ever been hospitalized or had a major operation? OYes ONo If yes Have you ever had a serious head or neck injury? OYes ONo If yes Are you taking any medications, pills, or drugs? OYes ONo If yes Do you take, or have you taken, Phen-Fen or Redux? OYes ONo If yes Have you ever taken Fosamax, Boniva, Actonel or any other OYes ONo If yes medications containing bisphosphonates? Are you on a special diet? OYes ONo Do you use tobacco? OYes ONe Do you use controlled substances? OYes ONo If yes Women: Are you... Pregnant/Trying to get pregnant? Nursing? Taking oral contraceptives? Are you allergic to any of the following? ☐ Aspirin Penicillin Codeine Acrylic Latex Metal Sulfa Drugs Local Anesthetics Other? If yes Do you have, or have you had, any of the following? AIDS/HIV Positive OYes ONo Cortisone Mediane OYes ONo Radiation Treatments OYes ONo Alzheimer's Disease OYes ONo Diabetes OYes ONo Hepatitis A OYes ONo Recent Weight Loss OYes ONo Anaphylaxis OYes ONo Drug Addiction OYes ONo Hepatitis B or C OYes ONo Renal Dialysis OYes ONo Anemia OYes ONo Easily Winded OYes ONo Hernes OYes ONo Rheumatic Fever OYes ONo High Blood Pressure ○Yes ○No Arthritis/Gout OYes ONo Epilepsy or Seizures OYes ONo High Cholesterol OYes ONo Scarlet Fever OYes ONo Artificial Heart Valve OYes ONo Hives or Rash OYes ONo Shingles OYes ONo Artificial Joint OYes ONo Excessive Thirst OYes ONo Hypoglycemia OYes ONo Asthma OYes ONo Fainting Spells/Dizziness OYes ONo Irregular Heartbeat OYes ONo Sinus Trouble OYes ONo Blood Disease OYes ONo Frequent Cough OYes ONo Kidney Problems OYes ONo Leukemia OYes ONo Stomach/Intestinal Disease OYes ONo Breathing Problems OYes ONo Frequent Headaches OYes ONo Liver Disease OYes ONo Stroke OYes ONo Bruise Easily OYes ONo Low Blood Pressure OYes ONo Swelling of Limbs OYes ONo Cancer OYes ONo Glaucoma ○Yes ○No Lung Disease OYes ONo Thyroid Disease OYes ONo Chemotherapy OYes ONo Hay Fever OYes ONo Mitral Valve Prolapse OYes ONo Tonsilliis OYes ONo Chest Pains OYes ONo Heart Attack/Failure OYes ONo Osteoporosis OYes ONo Tuberculosis OYes ONo Cold Sores/Fever Blisters OYes ONo Heart Murmur OYes ONo Pain in Jaw Joints OYes ONo Tumors or Growths OYes ONo Heart Pacemaker OYes ONo Hicers OYes ONo Heart Trouble/Disease OYes ONo Psychiatric Care OYes ONo Yellow Jaundice OYes ONo Have you ever had any serious illness not listed above? OYes ONo If yes Comments: To the best of my knowledge, the questions on this form have been accurately answered. I understand that providing incorrect information can be dangerous to my (or patient's) health. It is my responsibility to inform the dental office of any changes in medical status. Signature of Patient, Parent or Guardian:

# SOMERSET DENTAL ARTS

# Policy on Financial Arrangements

It is our goal to ensure that each one of our patients receives the highest quality dental care that we can provide. In order to achieve this goal for you, we are happy to offer (if needed) viable options for your financial arrangements with our office.

<u>Payment is due in full at the time treatment is rendered.</u> We accept cash, check, debit cards and all major credit cards. Our office accepts assignment on your dental insurance and will handle processing your claim. If extended time is needed to pay for treatment, CareCredit provides a monthly financial payout option which allows you to start your dental treatment today.

# **PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

## **FULL PAYMENT:**

Payment in full by cash, check, debit card, and all major credit cards is expected the day treatment is rendered.

Senior Courtesy of 5% is given to all patients 65 and over.

# **INSURANCE ASSIGNMENT:**

Our office will submit your insurance claim for you. We will help you to understand your dental coverage and your co-pays. Partial or full payment of co-pays is due when services are rendered.

#### **MONTHLY PAYMENTS:**

We offer a monthly payment option through *CareCredit*, a financing company specific to your healthcare needs. You can apply for *CareCredit* right here in our office and receive approval within minutes. This financing option has no annual fee, can be used at other healthcare offices, and has a variety of payment options, some no interest. **Ask us about** *CareCredit* **today.** 

# **EXTENSIVE TREATMENT COURTESY:**

For treatment that exceeds \$1800, we can extend a courtesy of 8% off the total cost of treatment if payment is made in full at the first appointment of treatment (before treatment begins). Payment must be made by cash or check only, NO credit/debit cards.

Please note: We cannot extend more than one courtesy at a time.

# NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

SOMERSET DENTAL ARTS 279 East Main Street Somerville, NJ 08876

This notice describes how dental information about you may be used and disclosed in our office, and how you can get access to this information.

# PLEASE REVIEW THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY

The Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") is a federal program that requires that all medical/dental records and other individually identifiable health information used or disclosed by us in any form, whether electronically, on paper, or orally, are kept properly confidential. This Act gives you, the patient significant new rights to understand and control how your health information is used.

#### USES AND DISCLOSURES OF HEALTH INFORMATION

Our office may use and disclose your dental records only for the following purposes; <u>treatment, payment and health care operations</u> (TPO). TPO activities would include managing and coordinating your dental treatment plan with one or more healthcare providers, obtaining reimbursement for services, gathering insurance information, billing or collections activities and utilization review. It would also include the business aspects of running our practice, such as calling patients at home and/or at work (including leaving voice messages) in reference to any aspect of the practice of carrying out the TPO, sending appointment reminders by mail, filing insurance claims, coordinating laboratory work, and providing information to our patients about health-related benefits and services that may be of interest to you.

Any other uses and disclosures of your <u>protected health information (PHI)</u> will be made only with your written authorization. You may revoke this authorization in writing at any time, which our office will honor unless actions were already taken based on your previous consent.

#### **PATIENTS RIGHTS**

You have the following rights with respect to your protected health information (PHI), which you can exercise by presenting a written request to our office. This includes access to review or obtain copies of your PHI, with limited exceptions. A reasonable cost-based fee for expenses such as copies and staff time will accompany all requests for copies. You may request the PHI be in a form other than a photocopy, which will be honored unless we cannot practically do so.

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

You have the right to request that we communicate with you about your PHI by alternative means or locations. Your request must be very specific and detailed and provide a satisfactory explanation of how payments will be handled under the alternative means or location you request.

You have the right to receive an accounting of disclosures of your PHI, not to date prior to the effective date of the new HIPAA Privacy Practices in our office.

You have the right to request that we amend your health information. Again your request must be in writing, and we hold the right to deny your request under certain circumstances.

You have the right to obtain a paper copy of this notice from us upon request.

#### **QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS**

We are required to abide by the terms of the Notice of Privacy Practices currently in effect. We reserve the right to change the terms of our Notice of Privacy Practices and to make the new notice provisions effective for all protected health information that we maintain. We will post these changes and you may request a written copy of our revised policy from our office.

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

If you are concerned that we may have violated your privacy rights, or disagree with any decision we made concerning the use and disclosure of your PHI, or as it pertains to your patient rights, you may submit a formal complaint to our office in writing or file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We will provide you with the address to file your complaint upon request.