Health History Form

E-mail: Today's Date:

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As required by law, our office adheres to written policies and procedures to protect the privacy of information about you that we create, receive or maintain. Your answers are for our records only and will be kept confidential subject to applicable laws. Please note that you will be asked some questions about your responses to this questionnaire and there may be additional questions concerning your health. This information is vital to allow us to provide appropriate care for you. This office does not use this information to discriminate.

Name: (Last First Middle) Home Phone: *Include area code* ( ) Business/Cell Phone: *Include area code* ( )

Address: (Mailing address) City: State: Zip:

Occupation: Height: Weight: Date of birth: Sex: M F

SS# or Patient ID: Emergency Contact: Relationship: Home Phone: ( ) Cell Phone: ( ) *Include area codes*

If you are completing this form for another person, what is your relationship to that person?

Your Name Relationship

Do you have any of the following diseases or problems: *(Check DK if you Don't Know the answer to the question)*	**Yes**	**No**	**DK**
Active Tuberculosis	☐	☐	☐
Persistent cough greater than a 3 week duration	☐	☐	☐
Cough that produces blood	☐	☐	☐
Been exposed to anyone with tuberculosis	☐	☐	☐

If you answer yes to any of the 4 items above, please stop and return this form to the receptionist.

Dental Information *For the following questions, please mark (X) your responses to the following questions.*

	Yes	**No**	**DK**
Do your gums bleed when you brush or floss?	☐	☐	☐
Are your teeth sensitive to cold, hot, sweets or pressure?	☐	☐	☐
Does food or floss catch between your teeth?	☐	☐	☐
Is your mouth dry?	☐	☐	☐
Have you had any periodontal (gum) treatments?	☐	☐	☐
Have you ever had orthodontic (braces) treatment?	☐	☐	☐
Have you had any problems associated with previous dental treatment?	☐	☐	☐
Is your home water supply fluoridated?	☐	☐	☐
Do you drink bottled or filtered water?	☐	☐	☐
If yes, how often? Circle one: DAILY / WEEKLY / OCCASIONALLY			
Are you currently experiencing dental pain or discomfort?	☐	☐	☐

	Yes	**No**	**DK**
Do you have earaches or neck pains?	☐	☐	☐
Do you have any clicking, popping or discomfort in the jaw?	☐	☐	☐
Do you brux or grind your teeth?	☐	☐	☐
Do you have sores or ulcers in your mouth?	☐	☐	☐
Do you wear dentures or partials?	☐	☐	☐
Do you participate in active recreational activities?	☐	☐	☐
Have you ever had a serious injury to your head or mouth?	☐	☐	☐

Date of your last dental exam:
What was done at that time?

Date of last dental x-rays:

What is the reason for your dental visit today?

How do you feel about your smile?

Medical Information *Please mark (X) your response to indicate if you have or have not had any of the following diseases or problems.*

	Yes	**No**	**DK**
Are you now under the care of a physician?	☐	☐	☐
Physician Name: Phone: *Include area code* ( )			
Address/City/State/Zip:			
Are you in good health?	☐	☐	☐
Has there been any change in your general health within the past year?	☐	☐	☐
If yes, what condition is being treated?			
Date of last physical exam:			

	Yes	**No**	**DK**
Have you had a serious illness, operation or been hospitalized in the past 5 years?	☐	☐	☐
If yes, what was the illness or problem?			
Are you taking or have you recently taken any prescription or over the counter medicine(s)?	☐	☐	☐

If so, please list all, including vitamins, natural or herbal preparations and/or diet supplements:

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Medical Information

Please mark (X) your response to indicate if you have or have not had any of the following diseases or problems.

(Check DK if you Don't Know the answer to the question)	Yes	No	DK
Do you wear contact lenses?	☐	☐	☐
Are you taking, or have you taken, any diet drugs such as Pondimin (fenfllluramine), Redux (dexphenfluramine) or phen-fen (fenfllluramine-phentermine combination)?	☐	☐	☐
Are you taking or scheduled to begin taking either of the medications, alendronate (Fosamax®) or risedronate (Actonel®) for osteoporosis or Paget's disease?	☐	☐	☐
Since 2001, were you treated or are you presently scheduled to begin treatment with the intravenous bisphosphonates (Aredia® or Zometa®) for bone pain, hypercalcemia or skeletal complications resulting from Paget's disease, multiple myeloma or metastatic cancer?	☐	☐	☐
Date Treatment began: _____			

	Yes	No	DK
Do you use controlled substances (drugs)?	☐	☐	☐
Do you use tobacco (smoking, snuff, chew, bidis)?	☐	☐	☐
If so, how interested are you in stopping? (Circle one) VERY / SOMEWHAT / NOT INTERESTED			
Do you drink alcoholic beverages?	☐	☐	☐
If yes, how much alcohol did you drink in the last 24 hours? _____			
If yes, how much do you typically drink In a week? _____			
WOMEN ONLY Are you:			
Pregnant?	☐	☐	☐
Number of weeks: _____			
Taking birth control pills or hormonal replacement?	☐	☐	☐
Nursing?	☐	☐	☐

Joint Replacement. Have you had an orthopedic total joint (hip, knee, elbow, finger) replacement? ☐ ☐ ☐
Date: _____ If yes, have you had any complications?

Allergies - Are you allergic to or have you had a reaction to: To all **yes** responses, specify type of reaction.	Yes	No	DK
Local anesthetics	☐	☐	☐
Aspirin	☐	☐	☐
Penicillin or other antibiotics	☐	☐	☐
Barbiturates, sedatives, or sleeping pills	☐	☐	☐
Sulfa drugs	☐	☐	☐
Codeine or other narcotics	☐	☐	☐

	Yes	No	DK
Metals	☐	☐	☐
Latex (rubber)	☐	☐	☐
Iodine	☐	☐	☐
Hay fever/seasonal	☐	☐	☐
Animals	☐	☐	☐
Food	☐	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐

Please mark (X) your response to indicate if you have or have not had any of the following diseases or problems.

	Yes	No	DK
Heart murmur	☐	☐	☐
Mitral valve prolapse	☐	☐	☐
Artificial heart valves	☐	☐	☐
Rheumatic fever	☐	☐	☐
Cardiovascular disease	☐	☐	☐
Angina	☐	☐	☐
Arteriosclerosis	☐	☐	☐
Congestive heart failure	☐	☐	☐
Coronary artery disease	☐	☐	☐
Damaged heart valves	☐	☐	☐
Heart attack	☐	☐	☐
Low blood pressure	☐	☐	☐
High blood pressure	☐	☐	☐
Congenital heart defects	☐	☐	☐
Pacemaker	☐	☐	☐
Rheumatic heart disease	☐	☐	☐
Abnormal bleeding	☐	☐	☐

	Yes	No	DK
Anemia	☐	☐	☐
Blood transfusion	☐	☐	☐
If yes, date: _____			
Hemophilia	☐	☐	☐
AIDS or HIV infection	☐	☐	☐
Arthritis	☐	☐	☐
Autoimmune disease	☐	☐	☐
Rheumatoid arthritis	☐	☐	☐
Systemic lupus erythematosus	☐	☐	☐
Asthma	☐	☐	☐
Bronchitis	☐	☐	☐
Emphysema	☐	☐	☐
Sinus trouble	☐	☐	☐
Tuberculosis	☐	☐	☐
Cancer/Chemotherapy/ Radiation Treatment	☐	☐	☐
Chest pain upon exertion	☐	☐	☐

	Yes	No	DK
Chronic pain	☐	☐	☐
Diabetes Type I or II	☐	☐	☐
Eating disorder	☐	☐	☐
Malnutrition	☐	☐	☐
Gastrointestinal disease	☐	☐	☐
G.E. Reflux/persistent heartburn	☐	☐	☐
Ulcers	☐	☐	☐
Thyroid problems	☐	☐	☐
Stroke	☐	☐	☐
Glaucoma	☐	☐	☐
Hepatitis, jaundice or liver disease	☐	☐	☐
Epilepsy	☐	☐	☐
Fainting spells or seizures	☐	☐	☐
Neurological disorders	☐	☐	☐
If yes, Specify: _____			

	Yes	No	DK
Sleep disorder	☐	☐	☐
Mental health disorders	☐	☐	☐
Specify: _____			
Recurrent Infections	☐	☐	☐
Type of infection: _____			
Kidney problems	☐	☐	☐
Night sweats	☐	☐	☐
Osteoporosis	☐	☐	☐
Persistent swollen glands in neck	☐	☐	☐
Severe headaches/ migraines	☐	☐	☐
Severe or rapid weight loss	☐	☐	☐
Sexually transmitted disease	☐	☐	☐
Excessive urination	☐	☐	☐

Has a physician or previous dentist recommended that you take antibiotics prior to your dental treatment? ☐ ☐ ☐

Name of physician or dentist making recommendation: | Phone:

Do you have any disease, condition, or problem not listed above that you think I should know about? ☐ ☐ ☐
Please explain:

NOTE: Both Doctor and patient are encouraged to discuss any and all relevant patient health issues prior to treatment.
I certify that I have read and understand the above and that the information given on this form is accurate. I understand the importance of a truthful health history and that my dentist and his/her staff will rely on this information for treating me. I acknowledge that my questions, if any, about inquiries set forth above have been answered to my satisfaction. I will not hold my dentist, or any other member of his/her staff, responsible for any action they take or do not take because of errors or omissions that I may have made in the completion of this form.

Signature of Patient/Legal Guardian: | Date:

FOR COMPLETION BY DENTIST

Comments: _____

Dental Insurance Policy Review

Please be aware that Dental Insurance is a contract between you, your employer, and the insurance company. It is designed as a company "benefit" to **help** you defray costs from dental work, but almost never **completely** pays for any necessary work. We submit claims to the companies as a courtesy to you—this is actually something that fewer and fewer offices are doing because of the time and financial costs involved.

We work very diligently to obtain accurate information as to your benefits, but you are ultimately responsible for understanding the benefits and limitations of your insurance policy.

Dental insurance companies may also substitute payment of any "White" or Composite filling with "Silver" or Amalgam fillings. Similarly, they could substitute payment of all-metal crowns for porcelain (matching) crowns. The insurance companies will often not actually disclose that composites are "not covered", only that an "alternate benefit is applied", meaning that they simply pay for the cheaper material. The difference between these materials is more than simply cosmetic, but this is beyond the scope of this document. These sorts of switches are known as "Allowances". A brief summary detailing some of these insurance company practices is available from Lucy if you would like to learn more about how insurance companies really work.

In these cases, the difference in cost between the service provided and what is reimbursed is the **responsibility of the patient**. We will do our best to let you know, as accurately as possible, what this amount will be prior to the appointment—but **please keep in mind that this is only an estimate and they may pay more or less than this amount**. This often happens if other claims are pending and they do not recognize this when we call them for up-to-the-minute information. This could result in a small credit on your account or an additional bill for the difference.

Please note that we will do everything in our power to maximize your utilization of benefits and make sure that they pay every penny to which you are entitled!

The Doctor, however, will not allow the insurance company, who will never see you in person, determine what you need and usurp his medical judgment.

I acknowledge receipt of the Essex Street Dental Medicine insurance policies and understand that, when appropriate, I am responsible for these differences in cost between services actually rendered, and what insurance companies arbitrarily decide.

Signature_____ Date_____