WELCOME TO DIENTES ON COMMERCIAL WAY

Who We Are and Our Mission:
Dientes is a private non-profit organization. We are not a government clinic nor are we owned by a private dentist. A volunteer Board of Directors is responsible for the operation and funding of the clinic. Our mission is to create lasting oral health for the underserved children and adults of Santa Cruz county and neighboring communities.

Who Is Eligible To Use Dientes:
- Persons who have public insurance such as Medi-Cal or Denti-Cal
- Persons referred from special programs, such as the Homeless Persons Health Project, E.I.S, etc.
- Persons with low income. We define low income as persons with income no greater than twice the Federal Poverty Level. We will need proof of income, such as income tax return, pay stub, unemployment check, disability determination, or social security check. Proof of income is required every January and July.
- Persons with private insurance are NOT eligible to be patients of Dientes.

What We Do:
We provide basic dental services such as: examinations, x-rays, cleanings, sealants, fillings, crowns, dentures, some extractions, some root canals, and emergency treatment. We do not provide: orthodontics, gum surgery, complex extractions, posterior root canals, or cosmetic dentistry. For these procedures you will be referred to specialists.

At Dientes, we utilize mid-level providers such as RDA-EFs and Hygienists who are trained and licensed appropriately. As a Dientes patient, please be aware that some portions of your treatment may be performed by these mid-level providers.

Location Transfers:
At this time there is no availability to transfer to another Dientes location. If there is a service a certain location is unable to provide, we will refer you to another location for that appointment only.

Terms of Payment:
Payments or co-payments are expected at the time of service. Fee schedules are subject to change every year.

After Hours:
For dental emergencies after-hours, please visit the nearest urgent care or emergency room.

Appointment Policies:
- Patients are seen by appointment. We expect you to arrive on time or 10 minutes before your scheduled appointment time. It is the responsibility of the patient to confirm or reschedule their appointment no later than 12:30pm the day before the scheduled appointment. For Monday appointments, you must confirm or reschedule no later than 12:30pm on Saturday. We will attempt to give you a courtesy call to confirm. You may confirm your appointment with us during business hours or by message on our 24-hour voice mail.
- Failure to confirm an appointment will result in loss of your scheduled visit. If you miss two scheduled appointments (you fail to come OR cancel your appointment without giving 24-hour notice) within a 1-year period, you will be placed on a one-year probation. If another appointment is missed while on probation, you will be dismissed from the practice.
- Children are not allowed to accompany a parent/adult to their appointment.

Respect for each other:
We are dedicated to providing high quality dentistry to you in a professional, courteous, and respectful manner. We expect you to treat our staff with the same courtesy and respect. If these guidelines are not followed, we reserve the right to dismiss any patient from our practice.

A signature below indicates I have read and understand the above information regarding Clinic Policies at Dientes on Commercial Way

_________________________  ____________________________
Signature Date

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PATIENT INFORMATION & DEMOGRAPHICS

The benefits of a happy, healthy smile are immeasurable! Our goal is to help you reach and maintain maximum oral health. Please fill out these forms completely. The better communication, the better we can care for YOU.

Name: _____________________________________________________________

Last     First     Middle

Preferred Name: ______________________________________________________

Pronouns Used (circle): she/her/hers  he/him/his  they/them/their  Other: _______________________

Date of Birth: ________________________________ (MM/DD/YY)

Social Security Number: ________________________

Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________

City     State     Zip     Email address

_____________________________     _______________________________

Home Phone  Cell Phone

Permission to leave a detailed message?  Yes  No

Preferred Language: __________________________

Preferred Pharmacy: __________________________

Emergency Information
In case of an emergency, whom should we call?

Contact Name: __________________________

Contact Phone: __________________________

Relationship: __________________________

The following information is optional. Dientes Community Dental Care is a non-profit organization. We are asked to report patient demographics for grants, which enable us to continue to provide low-cost, quality dental care. We appreciate your willingness to answer the following questions. Please ask if you have any questions.

Employment
Employer: __________________________

☐ Unemployed  ☐ Retired  ☐ Disabled  ☐ Student  ☐ Agricultural Worker

Housing Status
☐ Renting Alone  ☐ Staying in shelter  ☐ Participating in transitional housing

☐ Renting w/ others  ☐ Skilled nursing facility  ☐ Staying in car, camping or street

☐ Own home  ☐ Staying w/ friends/family 6 mo. or less

Renting motel room

Race
☐ Caucasian (non-Hispanic)  ☐ Native Hawaiian

☐ Hispanic or Latino  ☐ Pacific Islander

☐ African American  ☐ Multi-Racial

☐ Asian  ☐ Other

☐ American Indian/Alaskan  ☐ Decline to specify

Veteran
☐ Yes  ☐ No

Ethnicity
☐ Hispanic  ☐ Non-Hispanic

 ☐ Decline to specify

Hispanic

Sexual Orientation
☐ Lesbian or gay  ☐ Native Hawaiian

☐ Straight (not lesbian or gay)  ☐ Pacific Islander

☐ Bisexual  ☐ Multi-Racial

☐ Other  ☐ Other/Don’t know

☐ Decline to specify

Gender Identity
☐ Male  ☐ Native Hawaiian

☐ Female  ☐ Pacific Islander

☐ Nonbinary  ☐ Multi-Racial

☐ Transgender Female/Male-Female  ☐ Other

☐ Transgender Male/Female-Male  ☐ Don’t know

☐ Other/Don’t know  ☐ Decline to specify
CONFIDENTIAL PATIENT HEALTH HISTORY

Please fill out this form completely. The better communication we have, the better we can care for YOU.

Name: ___________________________ Date of Birth: ___________________________

Are you under a physician’s care now?  □ Yes  □ No  If yes, please explain:

Have you even been hospitalized or had a major operation/surgery?  □ Yes  □ No  If yes, please explain:

Have you ever had a serious head or neck injury?  □ Yes  □ No  If yes, please explain:

MEDICATIONS- List ALL medications, pills, or drugs you are currently taking:

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<th>Women: Mark all that apply</th>
<th>Pregnant</th>
<th>Nursing</th>
<th>Taking oral contraceptives</th>
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*It is important you understand that antibiotics and other medications may interfere with the effectiveness of oral contraceptives. After consultation with your physician, alternatives to oral contraceptives may be needed when taking antibiotics.*

Are you CURRENTLY taking, or have you ever taken any of the following?

- □ Alcohol
- □ Blood Thinners
- □ Supplements
- □ Antibiotics
- □ Digitalis
- □ Tobacco (in any form)
- □ Aspirin
- □ Nitroglycerin
- □ Weight Loss Medication
- □ Bisphosphonates
- □ Recreational Drugs
- □ NONE

ALLERGIES- Are you allergic to any of the following?

- □ Codeine
- □ Metal, please specify:
- □ Other Antibiotics
- □ Latex
- □ Pain Medication
- □ No Known Drug Allergies
- □ Local Anesthetic
- □ Penicillin
- □ Other, please specify:

HEALTH HISTORY- Do you currently have, or have you ever had, any of the following conditions? Check all that apply.

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<th>Developmental/Mental &amp; Behavioral Health</th>
<th>Immunologic/Allergic</th>
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<td>□ Chest Pain/Angina</td>
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<td>□ Allergies</td>
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<td>□ Embolism/Aneurysm</td>
<td>□ High cholesterol</td>
<td>□ Autoimmune Disease</td>
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<td>□ Irregular heart rhythm</td>
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Endocrine

- □ Diabetes
- □ Steroid Use
- □ Allergies

Endocrine Disorder

- □ Thyroid Disease
- □ Autoimmune Disease
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<td>Bleeding Problems</td>
<td>Bruxism/Clenching</td>
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<td>Joint Replacement, Date:</td>
<td>Migraines</td>
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<td>Physical Disability</td>
<td>Peripheral Neuropathy</td>
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Is there any condition or issue that you have that is NOT listed above?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No

If yes, please explain:

**ORAL HEALTH QUESTIONS**

What is the purpose for today’s visit? 

How are you feeling about your visit today? 

When was your last visit to the dentist and where? 

Have you ever had difficulty during dental treatment? If yes, please explain. 

Do you have dental anxiety? If yes, please explain. 

What are the goals you have in seeking dental treatment? (Pain relief, maintain teeth, save teeth, extract damaged teeth, etc.) 

The practice of dentistry involves treating the whole person. If the dentist determines that there may be a potentially medically compromised situation, medical consultation may be needed prior to commencement of dental treatment.

I authorize the dentist to contact my physician if needed.

**Physician’s Name & Contact Information:** 

A signature below indicates I certify that I have read and understand this form. To the best of my knowledge, I have answered the questions on this form completely and accurately. I am responsible for informing my dentist of any change in my health and/or medication(s). Further, I will not hold my dentist or any other member of his/her staff responsible for any error or omissions I may have made in the completion of this form.

_________________________  __________________________
Patient Signature  Date

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_________________________  __________________________
Dentist Signature  Date
Patient Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices

I have been given an opportunity to read and review this office’s Notice of Privacy Practices.

_________________________________________________________  __________________________
Signature                                                             Date

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Patient Acknowledgement For Receipt of Dental Materials Fact Sheet

I have been given the opportunity to read and review Dientes’ Dental Materials Fact Sheet dated May 2004.

_________________________________________________________  __________________________
Signature                                                             Date

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Photo Release

I hereby authorize and give full consent to Dientes Community Dental Care to photograph/video myself or my child and copyright, reproduce and publish these photographic images for any and all publications, displays, and advertising purposes, without limitation or reservation or any compensation other than that receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

☐ YES, I agree  ☐ NO, I decline

_________________________________________________________  __________________________
Signature                                                             Date

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GENERAL CONSENT FORM

I understand that dentistry is not an exact science and therefore reputable practitioners cannot properly guarantee results. No guarantees can be made about treatment outcomes, restoration longevity, or prognoses. I understand that any branch of medicine, including dentistry, can involve unanticipated results.

I understand each Dentist is an individual practitioner and is responsible for the dental care rendered to me. I hereby authorize any of the doctors or dental auxiliaries of Dientes Community Dental Care to proceed with and perform the dental restorations and treatments as explained to me. I understand this is only an estimate and subject to modification depending on unforeseen or undiagnosable circumstances that may arise during treatment.

My treatment plan may change at any time and I will do my best to approach my dental care with optimism and open communication with my dentist, hygienist, and dental office staff.

I am welcome to ask questions about any aspects of my dental care and will request information if I am confused or need more information. I am responsible for clarifying any aspects of my treatment I am unsure about.

Most dental procedures require the use of dental anesthetic or numbing to complete the procedure. I understand there are risks involved in using anesthetic which include permanent or temporary loss of feeling and/or muscle control from nerve damage, pain from injection site including muscle tightness or even muscle damage that may or may not go back to normal, allergic reaction, and other side effects.

Should any dispute arise over dental service provided to me, that is whether any dental service rendered as allegedly unnecessary, unauthorized, or was improperly, negligently, or incompetently performed, said dispute will be submitted to Dientes’ Quality and Risk Management Committee. The decision of the Quality Committee shall be binding on both parties.

A signature below indicates I have read, understood, and agree to the above. I also agree that a photocopy of this authorization shall be valid and effective as the original forever. I am of legal age and legal competency to make this assignment. I also grant permission for review of medical records.

______________________________  ______________________
Signature                                  Date

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