Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices

****You may refuse to sign this acknowledgement****

I, _____, have received a copy of this office's Notice of Privacy Practices.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Release of Information

I, _____, give permission for my dental and/or account information to be discussed with the following persons:

Spouse: _____

Parent: _____

Other: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Office Use Only

We attempted to obtain written acknowledgement of receipt of our Notice of Privacy Practices, but acknowledgement could not be obtained because:

☐ Individual refused to sign

☐ Communication barriers prohibited obtaining the acknowledgment

☐ An emergency situation prevented us from obtaining acknowledgement

☐ Other (please specify) _____

DENTAL TREATMENT CONSENT

1. I authorize Leominster Family Dentists to perform dental treatment including local anesthesia, examination, radiographs (x-rays) or diagnostic aids.
2. In general terms, dental treatment may include but is not limited to one or a number of the following:
    - Administration of local anesthesia
    - Cleaning of the teeth and application of topical fluoride
    - Scaling and root planing with local anesthesia
    - Application of sealants to the grooves of the teeth
    - Treatment of disease or injured teeth with dental restorations. These restorations may either be amalgam (silver) or composite (white)
    - Stainless steel crowns for children. These are necessary in cases where a simple filling would not be the best long term restoration or in cases where there are large cavities.
    - The replacement of missing teeth with a dental prosthesis (crown, implant, partials, etc)
    - Treatment of disease or injured oral tissues (hard/or soft)
    - Treatment of malposed (crooked) teeth and/or development abnormalities
    - Treatment of canal or pulp chamber that lies in the middle of the tooth and its root also known as "endodontic" therapy or root canal treatment

Risks of Dental Procedures in General

Included (but not limited to) are complications resulting from the use of dental instruments, drugs, medicines, analgesics (pain killers), anesthetics and injections. These complications include pain, infection, swelling, bleeding, sensitivity, prolonged numbness and tingling sensations in the lip, tongue, chin, gums, cheeks and teeth, thrombophlebitis (inflammation of the vein), reaction to injections, change in occlusion (biting), muscle cramps and spasms, temporomandibular (jaw) joint difficulty, loosening of the teeth or restoration in the teeth, injury to other tissues, referred pain to the ear, neck and head, nausea, allergic reactions, itching, bruising, delayed healing, sinus complications and further surgery. Medication and drugs may cause drowsiness and lack of awareness and coordination (which can be influenced by the use of alcohol or other drugs), thus it is advisable not to operate any vehicle or hazardous device, or work for twenty-four hours of until recovered from their effects.

Changes in Treatment Plan

I understand that during treatment, it may be necessary to change and/or alter procedures because of conditions found while working on the teeth that were not discovered during examination. Upon being informed, I will give my permission to the dentist to make any/all changes and addition as necessary.

Fillings

I understand that I may experience hot and cold sensitivity, pain or discomfort following routine restorative procedures and that this is usually temporary and should settle without further treatment. If in the event that my condition does not get any better, I understand that I may need further dental treatment, the most common being root canal therapy, resulting in additional costs.

Crown (Caps) and Bridges

I understand that sometimes it is not possible to match the color of the natural teeth exactly with artificial teeth. I further understand that I may be wearing temporary crowns, which may come off easily and that I must be careful to ensure that they are kept in place until the permanent crowns are delivered. I realize the final opportunity to make changes in any new crown or bridge (including shape, fit, size and color) will be before cementation. Once cemented, I understand that any changes in shape, fit, size or color will incur an additional charge.

Alternative Treatment

I understand that I have the right to choose on the basis of adequate information, from alternate treatment plans that meet professional standards of care.

By signing below, I consent to the general dental treatments and/or proposed treatment.

_____

Please Print Name

_____ _____

Signature of Patient, Parent or Guardian Date

Notice of Privacy Practices

Purpose: This form, Notice of Privacy Practices, presents the information that federal law requires us to give our patients regarding our privacy practices. {Note: this form may need to be changed to reflect the dental practice's particular privacy policies and/or stricter state laws.}

We must provide this Notice to each patient beginning no later than the date of our first service delivery to the patient, including service delivered electronically, after April 14, 2003. We must make a good-faith attempt to obtain written acknowledgement of receipt of the Notice from the patient. We must also have the Notice available at the office for patients to request to take with them. We must post the Notice in our office in a clear and prominent location where it is reasonable to expect any patients seeking service from us to be able to read the Notice. Whenever the Notice is revised, we must make the Notice available upon request on or after the effective date of the revision in a manner consistent with the above instructions. Thereafter, we must distribute the Notice to each new patient at the time of service delivery and to any person requesting a Notice. We must also post the revised Notice in our office as discussed above.

Leominster Family Dentists

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION.

PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.
THE PRIVACY OF YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT TO US.

OUR LEGAL DUTY

We are required by applicable federal and state law to maintain the privacy of your health information. We are also required to give you this Notice about our privacy practices, our legal duties, and your rights concerning your health information. We must follow the privacy practices that are described in this Notice while it is in effect. This Notice takes effect 04/14/2013, and will remain in effect until we replace it.

We reserve the right to change our privacy practices and the terms of this Notice at any time, provided such changes are permitted by applicable law. We reserve the right to make the changes in our privacy practices and the new terms of our Notice effective for all health information that we maintain, including health information we created or received before we made the changes. Before we make a significant change in our privacy practices, we will change this Notice and make the new Notice available upon request.

You may request a copy of our Notice at any time. For more information about our privacy practices, or for additional copies of this Notice, please contact us using the information listed at the end of this Notice.

USES AND DISCLOSURES OF HEALTH INFORMATION

We use and disclose health information about you for treatment, payment, and healthcare operations. For example:

Treatment: We may use or disclose your health information to a physician or other healthcare provider providing treatment to you.

Payment: We may use and disclose your health information to obtain payment for services we provide to you.

Healthcare Operations: We may use and disclose your health information in connection with our healthcare operations. Healthcare operations include quality assessment and improvement activities, reviewing the competence or qualifications of healthcare professionals, evaluating practitioner and provider performance, conducting training programs, accreditation, certification, licensing or credentialing activities.

Your Authorization: In addition to our use of your health information for treatment, payment or healthcare operations, you may give us written authorization to use your health information or to disclose it to anyone for any purpose. If you give us an authorization, you may revoke it in writing at any time. Your revocation will not affect any use or disclosures permitted by your authorization while it was in effect. Unless you give us a written authorization, we cannot use or disclose your health information for any reason except those described in this Notice.

To Your Family and Friends: We must disclose your health information to you, as described in the Patient Rights section of this Notice. We may disclose your health information to a family member, friend or other person to the extent necessary to help with your healthcare or with payment for your healthcare, but only if you agree that we may do so.

Persons Involved In Care: We may use or disclose health information to notify, or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating) a family member, your personal representative or another person responsible for your care, of your location, your general condition, or death. If you are present, then prior to use or disclosure of your health information, we will provide you with an opportunity to object to such uses or disclosures. In the event of your incapacity or emergency circumstances, we will disclose health information based on a determination using our professional judgment disclosing only health information that is directly relevant to the person's involvement in your healthcare. We will also use our professional judgment and our experience with common practice to make reasonable inferences of your best interest in allowing a person to pick up filled prescriptions, medical supplies, x-rays, or other similar forms of health information.

Marketing Health-Related Services: We will not use your health information for marketing communications without your written authorization.

Required by Law: We may use or disclose your health information when we are required to do so by law.

Abuse or Neglect: We may disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if we reasonably believe that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence or the possible victim of other crimes. We may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to avert a serious threat to your health or safety or the health or safety of others.

National Security: We may disclose to military authorities the health information of Armed Forces personnel under certain circumstances. We may disclose to authorized federal officials health information required for lawful intelligence, counterintelligence, and other national security activities. We may disclose to correctional institution or law enforcement official having lawful custody of protected health information of inmate or patient under certain circumstances.

Appointment Reminders: We may use or disclose your health information to provide you with appointment reminders (such as voicemail messages, postcards, or letters).

PATIENT RIGHTS

Access: You have the right to look at or get copies of your health information, with limited exceptions. You may request that we provide copies in a format other than photocopies. We will use the format you request unless we cannot practicably do so. (You must make a request in writing to obtain access to your health information. You may obtain a form to request access by using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice. We will charge you a reasonable cost-based fee for expenses such as copies and staff time. You may also request access by sending us a letter to the address at the end of this Notice. If you request copies, we will charge you $_0_ for each page, $_0_ per hour for staff time to locate and copy your health information, and postage if you want the copies mailed to you. If you request an alternative format, we will charge a cost-based fee for providing your health information in that format. If you prefer, we will prepare a summary or an explanation of your health information for a fee. Contact us using the information listed at the end of this Notice for a full explanation of our fee structure.)

Disclosure Accounting: You have the right to receive a list of instances in which we or our business associates disclosed your health information for purposes, other than treatment, payment, healthcare operations and certain other activities, for the last 6 years, but not before April 14, 2003. If you request this accounting more than once in a 12-month period, we may charge you a reasonable, cost-based fee for responding to these additional requests.

Restriction: You have the right to request that we place additional restrictions on our use or disclosure of your health information. We are not required to agree to these additional restrictions, but if we do, we will abide by our agreement (except in an emergency).

Alternative Communication: You have the right to request that we communicate with you about your health information by alternative means or to alternative locations. **{You must make your request in writing.}** Your request must specify the alternative means or location, and provide satisfactory explanation how payments will be handled under the alternative means or location you request.

Amendment: You have the right to request that we amend your health information. (Your request must be in writing, and it must explain why the information should be amended.) We may deny your request under certain circumstances.

Electronic Notice: If you receive this Notice on our Web site or by electronic mail (e-mail), you are entitled to receive this Notice in written form.

QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS
If you want more information about our privacy practices or have questions or concerns, please contact us.

If you are concerned that we may have violated your privacy rights, or you disagree with a decision we made about access to your health information or in response to a request you made to amend or restrict the use or disclosure of your health information or to have us communicate with you by alternative means or at alternative locations, you may complain to us using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice. You also may submit a written complaint to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We will provide you with the address to file your complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services upon request.

We support your right to the privacy of your health information. We will not retaliate in any way if you choose to file a complaint with us or with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Contact Officer: Dr. Stephen Markowitz

Telephone: (978) 534-9216 Fax: (978) 537-6931

E-mail: leominsterfamilydentists@gmail.com

Address: 81 West Street, Leominster, MA 01453

Leominster Family Dentists
OUR POLICIES

Patient Name (Print): _____

You are responsible for knowing your dental insurance benefits!

Dental plans differ significantly. Each patient should know and understand his or her individual benefit package. Please contact your insurance company at the telephone number on your insurance card if you have questions regarding your coverage.

Patients with dental insurance are responsible for paying any co-payment, deductible, or fees for non-covered services at the time the services are rendered. We will be happy to give you an estimated treatment plan, however this is ONLY AN ESTIMATE and the patient is ultimately responsible for any payment not covered by insurance.

To help you get the most from your dental plan, we encourage you to become familiar with your insurance plan before seeking care.

X_____ _____
Signature of patient or parent/guardian if minor Date

Authorization, Release & Agreement to pay for services rendered

I authorize the dentist to release any information including the diagnosis and the records of any treatment or examination rendered to me during the period of such Dental Care to third party payors and/or other health practitioners.

I authorize and hereby request insurance company to pay directly to the dentist (or the dental group) insurance benefits otherwise payable to me.

I understand that my dental insurance carrier may pay less than the actual bill for services. I agree to be responsible for payment of all services rendered on my behalf or on behalf of my dependent(s).

X_____ _____
Signature of patient or parent/guardian if minor Date

Financial Arrangements

For your convenience, we offer the following methods of payment: MasterCard, Visa, Discover and American Express. For extensive services we offer low and no interest payment plans through Care Credit. If you have any questions concerning financial arrangements or need special arrangements, please ask for assistance. Payment is expected at the time services are performed.

X_____ _____
Signature of patient or parent/guardian if minor Date

Missed and Cancelled Appointment Policy

We reserve appointment times specifically for each patient so that we may provide the ultimate care and service. Please schedule your appointment carefully as there will be a fee of $35/Hygiene, $75/Doctor to your account for any appointment missed/cancelled without 24 hours notice. Similarly, late arrivals can create scheduling problems with other patients. Please notify us if you are going to be late.

If you need to change an existing appointment, please call during our regular business hours listed below as our machines are not able to take cancellation messages. Cancellations via text messages or e-mails are also not accepted.

X_____ _____
Signature of patient or parent/guardian if minor Date

Divorce, Separation & Custody Agreements

We believe that such matters should not enter into a child's medical treatment. The individual who is requesting the medical treatment is totally responsible for the payment of the medical bills. We are not a party to your divorce agreement, we will collect co-pays and deductibles from the attending parent.

"Joint Custody" means that each parent has equal access to the child's medical record. Without a COURT ORDER, we will not stop either parent from looking at their child's chart or obtaining their child's test results.

We will not call the other parent for consent prior to treatment.

We will discuss with the accompanying parent, information pertinent to the child's history and/or present exam. We reserve the right to charge an administrative fee for copying records. Should the issues that come between parents become disruptive to our organization, we will take appropriate measures.

X_____ _____
Signature of patient or parent/guardian if minor Date

Welcome

Thank you for selecting our dental healthcare team! We will strive to provide you with the best possible dental care. To help us meet all your dental healthcare needs, please fill out this form completely in ink. If you have any questions or need assistance, please ask us - we will be happy to help.

Patient # _____

SS#/SIN _____

Date _____

Patient Information (CONFIDENTIAL)

Name _____ Birthdate _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/P.C. _____

Email _____ Cell Phone _____

Check Appropriate Box: ☐ Minor ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Widowed ☐ Separated

If Student, Name of School/College _____ City _____ State/Prov. _____ ☐ Full Time ☐ Part Time

Patient or Parent/Guardian's Employer _____ Work Phone _____

Business Address _____ City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/P.C. _____

Spouse or Parent/Guardian's Name _____ Employer _____ Work Phone _____

Whom may we thank for referring you? _____

Person to contact in case of emergency _____ Phone _____

Responsible Party

Name of Person Responsible for this Account _____ Relationship to Patient _____

Address _____ Home Phone _____

Email _____ Cell Phone _____

Driver's License# _____ Birthdate _____ Financial Institution _____

Employer _____ Work Phone _____ SS#/SIN _____

Is this person currently a patient in our office? ☐ Yes ☐ No

For your convenience, we offer the following methods of payment. Please check the option you prefer. Payment in full at each appointment.

☐ Cash ☐ Personal Check Credit Card ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ I wish to discuss the office's payment policy.

Insurance Information

Name of Insured _____ Relationship to Patient _____

Birthdate _____ SS#/SIN _____ Date Employed _____

Name of Employer _____ Union or Local # _____ Work Phone _____

Address of Employer _____ City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/P.C. _____

Insurance Company _____ Group # _____ Policy/ID # _____

Ins. Co. Address _____ City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/P.C. _____

How much is your deductible? _____ How much have you used? _____ Max. annual benefit _____

DO YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL INSURANCE? ☐ Yes ☐ No IF YES, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

Name of Insured _____ Relationship to Patient _____

Birthdate _____ SS#/SIN _____ Date Employed _____

Name of Employer _____ Union or Local # _____ Work Phone _____

Address of Employer _____ City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/P.C. _____

Insurance Company _____ Group # _____ Policy/ID # _____

Ins. Co. Address _____ City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/P.C. _____

How much is your deductible? _____ How much have you used? _____ Max. annual benefit _____

Over Please

Patient Medical History

Physician _____ Office Phone _____ Date of Last Exam _____

	Yes	No
1. Are you under medical treatment now?	☐	☐
2. Have you ever been hospitalized for any surgical operation or serious illness within the last 5 years?	☐	☐
If yes, please explain _____		
3. Are you taking any medication(s) including non-prescription medicine?	☐	☐
If yes, what medication(s) are you taking? _____		
4. Have you ever taken Fen-Phen/Redux?	☐	☐
5. Have you ever taken Fosamax, Boniva, Actonel or any cancer medications containing bisphosphonates?	☐	☐
6. Have you taken Viagra, Revatio, Cialis or Levitra in the last 24 hours?	☐	☐
7. Do you use tobacco?	☐	☐
8. Do you use controlled substances?	☐	☐
9. Do you have or have you had any of the following?		

	Yes	No
10. Are you wearing contact lenses?	☐	☐
11. Are you allergic to or have you had any reactions to the following?		
Local Anesthetics (e.g. Novocain)	☐	☐
Penicillin or any other Antibiotics	☐	☐
Sulfa Drugs	☐	☐
Barbiturates	☐	☐
Sedatives	☐	☐
Iodine	☐	☐
Aspirin	☐	☐
Any Metals (e.g. nickel, mercury, etc.)	☐	☐
Latex Rubber	☐	☐
Other (please list) _____		
12. Do you have a persistent cough or throat clearing not associated with a known illness (lasting more than 3 weeks)?	☐	☐
13. Women Only:		
a) Are you pregnant or think you may be pregnant?	☐	☐
b) Are you nursing?	☐	☐
c) Are you taking oral contraceptives?	☐	☐

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
High Blood Pressure	☐	☐	Heart Disease	☐	☐	Chest Pains	☐	☐
Heart Attack	☐	☐	Cardiac Pacemaker	☐	☐	Easily Winded	☐	☐
Rheumatic Fever	☐	☐	Heart Murmur	☐	☐	Stroke	☐	☐
Swollen Ankles	☐	☐	Angina	☐	☐	Hay Fever / Allergies	☐	☐
Fainting / Seizures	☐	☐	Frequently Tired	☐	☐	Tuberculosis	☐	☐
Asthma	☐	☐	Anemia	☐	☐	Radiation Therapy	☐	☐
Low Blood Pressure	☐	☐	Emphysema	☐	☐	Glaucoma	☐	☐
Epilepsy / Convulsions	☐	☐	Cancer	☐	☐	Recent Weight Loss	☐	☐
Leukemia	☐	☐	Arthritis	☐	☐	Liver Disease	☐	☐
Diabetes	☐	☐	Joint Replacement or Implant	☐	☐	Heart Trouble	☐	☐
Kidney Diseases	☐	☐	Hepatitis / Jaundice	☐	☐	Respiratory Problems	☐	☐
AIDS or HIV Infection	☐	☐	Sexually Transmitted Disease	☐	☐	Mitral Valve Prolapse	☐	☐
Thyroid Problem	☐	☐	Stomach Troubles / Ulcers	☐	☐	Other _____	☐	☐

Patient Dental History

Name of Previous Dentist and Location _____ Date of Last Exam _____

	Yes	No
1. Do your gums bleed while brushing or flossing?	☐	☐
2. Are your teeth sensitive to hot or cold liquids/foods?	☐	☐
3. Are your teeth sensitive to sweet or sour liquids/foods?	☐	☐
4. Do you feel pain to any of your teeth?	☐	☐
5. Do you have any sores or lumps in or near your mouth?	☐	☐
6. Have you had any head, neck or jaw injuries?	☐	☐
7. Have you ever experienced any of the following problems in your jaw?		
Clicking	☐	☐
Pain (joint, ear, side of face)	☐	☐
Difficulty in opening or closing	☐	☐
Difficulty in chewing	☐	☐

	Yes	No
8. Do you have frequent headaches?	☐	☐
9. Do you clench or grind your teeth?	☐	☐
10. Do you bite your lips or cheeks frequently?	☐	☐
11. Have you ever had any difficult extractions in the past?	☐	☐
12. Have you ever had any prolonged bleeding following extractions?	☐	☐
13. Have you had any orthodontic treatment?	☐	☐
14. Do you wear dentures or partials?	☐	☐
If yes, date of placement _____		
15. Have you ever received oral hygiene instructions regarding the care of your teeth and gums?	☐	☐
16. Do you like your smile?	☐	☐

Authorization and Release

I certify that I have read and understand the above information to the best of my knowledge. The above questions have been accurately answered. I understand that providing incorrect information can be dangerous to my health. I authorize the dentist to release any information including the diagnosis and the records of any treatment or examination rendered to me or my child during the period of such Dental care to third party payors and/or health practitioners. I authorize and request my insurance company to pay directly to the dentist or dental group insurance benefits otherwise payable to me. I understand that my dental insurance carrier may pay less than the actual bill for services. I agree to be responsible for payment of all services rendered on my behalf or my dependents.

X _____

Signature of patient (or parent/guardian if minor) Date

Doctor's Comments _____

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_____ Signature _____ Date _____