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INFORMED CONSENT

Regarding Patient:

Please Read Carefully

I hereby authorize that all necessary orthodontic treatment be initiated now. This shall include the making of appropriate progress diagnostic records whenever needed. I understand the treatment goals can only be achieved through the joint cooperation of Dr. Yury Geylikman PC, and the patient [and responsible custodial parent(s)]. In many instances lack of cooperation in the matter of making and keeping appointments, eating a soft diet, wearing elastics, brushing the teeth 3 times each day for 3 minutes after breakfast and dinner and again before going to bed can lead to disappointing results. I understand also that I am responsible for making appointments.

I understand that treatment varies with the difficulty of the problem, cooperation of the patient, and the unique response of the patient's teeth to the forces applied to them. Treatment time can be prolonged by multiple detached brackets (from eating crispy crunchy and crusty food and candy), poor oral hygiene, and frequent canceling and breaking of appointments.

Occasionally, as a result of unusual growth or lack of cooperation or mid-treatment re-evaluation the treatment plan/goals may have to be altered and might even require the removal of teeth to accomplish a pleasing cosmetic and functional result.

I understand that during treatment the following may occur: cold sores, canker sores, irritation or injury to the skin inside the mouth, swelling/inflammation of the gums, receding or overgrowth of the gums, shortening of the roots of some teeth, and occasionally jaw-joint problems.

I understand that teeth may develop white spots if tooth brushing is not adequate, that cavities previously undetected may appear and that teeth with a history of trauma may turn grayish in color.

I understand that teeth may occasionally become sensitive and more movable than usual and that there is a risk of unexpected/undesired loss of a tooth.

I understand that occasionally the jaw joints may "act up" causing discomfort or/and pain, that there may be an allergic reaction to the materials of which the braces are made or even the gloves and powder on them that the doctor wears. I realize that some cases might require the need for a "compromise" treatment goal and that a general dentist may be required to provide crowns and bridges.

I understand the need for a soft-textured diet to prevent brackets from becoming detached. I have been advised that it is important to continue regular dental care during the treatment. I have been advised that it is my responsibility to immediately report any problem with the braces. I realize that Dr. Yury Geylikman may discontinue treatment if he believes that the oral health is degenerating from lack of cooperation.

Dr. Geylikman will use his knowledge, skill and training to do his very best, but there is no guarantee of the success of treatment and that a nice result may deteriorate if retainers are not worn for three years after the braces are removed. The alternatives have been explained to me, one of which is no treatment and the possible results if no treatment is given. The treatment plan and type of appliances to be used have been explained to me. Furthermore, I am at liberty to ask Dr. Geylikman at any time during the treatment about any aspect of my treatment.

Finally, I fully understand that I must wear my removable retainers for at least three years after the fixed braces are removed or the corrected teeth will become crooked again

Patient/ Responsible Party

Date / /200



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Orthodontics is a branch of dentistry that specializes in establishing an alignment of the teeth and jaws that is consistent with a balanced facial pattern. Treatment involves the design, application and control of corrective "appliances" such as braces, retainers, etc., to achieve facial balance and proper occlusion (bite).

Why is orthodontic treatment important?

Crooked and crowded teeth are hard to clean and maintain, making them prime targets for tooth decay, gum disease and other health concerns. Poor jaw and/or tooth alignment can put undo stress on teeth and their supporting tissues, causing teeth to chip, crack, wear excessively, or even loosen. Some malocclusions, or bad bites, may contribute to chronic headaches, face or neck pain.

Who needs braces?

Most everyone can benefit from orthodontic treatment. Anyone who wants to improve his or her smile and/or bite should consult with an orthodontist.

When is the right time to start orthodontic treatment?

The American Association of Orthodontists recommends that children have an orthodontic evaluation by age 7, and adults can be treated at any age.

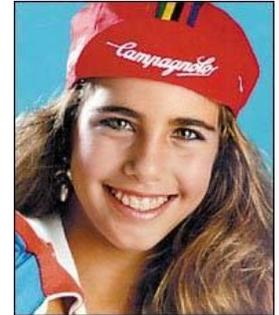
What are the benefits of early orthodontic treatment?

There are many advantages to early orthodontic treatment:

- Prevent and intercept orthodontic problems
- Improve self-confidence and self-image
- Guide facial growth for a more attractive profile
- Improve chances of avoiding extraction and surgical procedures
- Guide eruption of permanent teeth, regulating space where needed.
- Eliminate adverse habits, such as thumb sucking and tongue thrusting
- Avoid fracture of protruding teeth.
- Prevent impaction of teeth with early expansion.
- Improve chances of good speech development.
- Simplify and shorten treatment time for full braces.

What are some of the benefits of adult orthodontic treatment?

- Improve oral health
- Improve function and alignment of the teeth and jaws
- A more attractive smile
- Improve the force distribution and wear patterns of the teeth
- Improve facial balance
- Improve self-confidence and self-image
- May improve speech pattern, swallowing and lip closure





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What causes orthodontic problems?

Most types of problems are due to a combination of inherited traits and environmental influences. Genetics, determine facial pattern, tooth size and space between teeth. Environmental influences can include habits (such as thumb sucking), tooth decay, trauma, diet, etc.

How long does treatment usually take?

Since everyone is different, some people may respond to treatment more quickly than others do. Generally, the active treatment time (wearing braces) ranges from one to two years depending on the complexity of the case.

Are there less noticeable braces?

Yes, today's braces are significantly smaller and more efficient. In addition to metal, clear and colored braces are now available.



What are some commonly used orthodontic appliances?

RPE (rapid palatal expander) – this fixed appliance is used to widen the upper jaw, creating more room for crowded teeth, correcting a cross-bite and improving the width of the smile.



Quad Helix- this fixed appliance is used to correct cross-bites, rotate molars, improve smile width, and/or provide anchorage.



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Bite Plate- this fixed or removable appliance is used to correct a deep overbite.

Nance appliance- this fixed appliance is used for anchorage control and is sometimes used as a fixed upper retainer.

Retainer- this type of removable appliance is commonly used after the braces are removed to maintain and stabilize the results.



LLHA (lower lingual holding arch) - this fixed appliance is used to hold space during the transition of the dentition from the primary teeth to the adult teeth.

How can I be sure I am getting the best results?

Successful orthodontic treatment is a two-way street, requiring a consistent and cooperative effort from both the orthodontic team and the patient. Wearing the prescribed appliances, properly cleaning and maintaining your teeth, and regularly visiting the orthodontist and the family dentist, will help ensure great results and a healthy, beautiful smile can be!

