

X-RAY NOTIFICATION

If you have dental insurance, we would like to make you aware of something we have run across.

More and more insurance plans are covering less on x-rays, and lowering frequencies. X-rays help Dr. Bohan diagnose conditions that can not be seen with the naked eye. Over 90% of cavities are not visible, because they originate in between the teeth, where you would be flossing. These x-rays are essential in the detection of these hidden lesions.

Due to Dr. Bohan's training, she recommends **7 bitewing** (cavity checking x-rays) **every 6 months**, and a **Periapical or PA** (root x-rays) on anything that hurts, has an old Root canal, or needs treatment. This helps us to accurately diagnose and treat decay when it is small. Our radiation exposure is minimal because we use digital x-rays and use a lead shield on all patients.

We take over 200 different **employer negotiated plans**, and they all have different allowable frequencies with the regard to types of x-rays that can be taken and the fees each plan tells us to charge you.

Dr. Bohan will take the x-rays she feels she needs, to give you the best outcome on diagnosis and treatment. You may be billed for the difference in what your insurance company allows and what is taken, if they limit the amount of films.

This form allows you, as the patient, to understand that we will take the minimum x-rays we feel are necessary to diagnose and treat you. **Ultimately, you will be responsible for any extra expenses incurred that are outside your plan.**

By signing this form, I understand this policy from Heather Feray Bohan DDS, PA, will be as conservative as possible to take the minimum amount of x-rays needed for diagnosis, but ultimately, I am responsible for any fees not covered by my employer's negotiated policy.

Patient/guardian signature: (will be done electronically)

Date: will be saved with electronic signature