Advanced Spinal Care

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TERMS OF ACCEPTANCE

When a patient seeks upper cervical health care and we accept a patient for such care, it is essential for both parties to be working toward the same objective.

NUCCA care has only one goal. It is important that each patient understand both the objective and the method that will be used to attain it. This will prevent any confusion or disappointment.

Health: A state of optimal physical, mental and social wellbeing, not merely the absence of disease or infirmary.

Vertebral Subluxation: A misalignment of one or more of the 24 vertebra in the spinal column which causes alteration of nerve function and interference to the transmission of mental impulses, resulting in a lessening of the body's ability to express its maximum health potential.

Adjustment: An adjustment is the specific application of forces to facilitate the body's correction of vertebral subluxation. Our chiropractic method of correction is by specific adjustments of the spine.

We do not offer to treat any disease or condition other than the Vertebral Subluxation. However, if during the course of a chiropractic spinal examination we encounter nonchiropractic or unusual findings, we will advise you. If you desire advice, diagnosis or treatment for those findings, we will recommend that you seek the services of a health care provider who specializes in that area.

Regardless of what the disease is called, we do not offer to treat it. Nor do we offer advice regarding treatment prescribed by others. OUR ONLY PRACTICE OBJECTIVE is to eliminate the major interference to the expression of the body's innate wisdom. OUR ONLY METHOD is specific upper cervical adjusting to correct the Vertebral Subluxation.

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and fully understand the above statements. All questions regarding the doctor's objectives pertaining to my care in this office have been answered to my complete satisfaction. I therefore accept upper cervical care on this basis.

Patient/Guardian

OUR FINANCIAL POLICY

- 1. We are a fee-for-service office. All patients are seen on a cash basis regardless of insurance coverage unless a Personal Injury, Auto, or Labor and Industries claim is open or being opened.
- 2. This office may make payment plan arrangements on an individual basis. Any such plan or arrangement will be discussed during the report of findings.
- 3. Medicare does not cover wellness care, the care that we provide. Therefore, claims cannot be made to Medicare for any services provided by Advanced Spinal Care.
- 4. If you have insurance we will gladly provide you with the necessary paperwork and codes the insurance company will need to process the claim. We are not a mediator between you and your insurance company and will not enter into any dispute with them, as your contract is between you and your insurance company.
- 5. All patients will send in their own claims to their respective insurance companies and will thus receive their payment directly.
- 6. Any services not covered or coverage reductions by your insurance company will be your responsibility.
- 7. If a patient is referred to another specialist or discontinues care for any reason, the bill is due and payable in full immediately.
- 8. In order to better serve our patients we ask that if you are unable to keep your appointment to kindly give 24 hours notice. Otherwise, we reserve the right to charge for time reserved.
- 9. If you have any questions concerning this or any other matter, please speak with the receptionist prior to seeing the Doctor.

Thank you.

I have read and understand the Office Financial Policy and agree to abide by these terms.

Patient/Guardian

Date

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