



## CONSENT FORM – PATIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Our providers follow the American Academy of Pediatrics guidelines in their approach to care. We are committed to providing you with the best medical care available. The following financial policy is provided to avoid any misunderstanding and provide you with an outline of our expectations.

**Please note: the party that brings the child to the office will be responsible for the visit's copay AND will also be the responsible party on record. We will not be involved in parental court cases.**

**Co-Pays, coinsurance and/or deductible are due at the time of service or the visit may be rescheduled. Whoever brings the child to the office for a visit will be authorized to receive financial and medical information.**

### **Insurance, Billing and Patient Responsibility**

Please note that there are over 1000 plans and it is **YOUR** responsibility to become familiar with your plan. If you do not understand your specific plan coverage, please call your insurance plan or your HR department at work. The number for your plan is listed on your insurance card.

**You are expected to know if vaccines, well-checks, labs or other procedures are covered or might fall into the deductible. It is your responsibility to know if your well-check is made within the timeframe allowed by your insurance company. PLEASE REMEMBER: we are contractually obligated by your insurance company to collect your co-pay at the time of service. Your co-pay is also required at each follow up visit. If you have missed making a copayment in the past, we may ask for credit card information to be held on a secure site to be used for payment prior to making your next appointment. If we have deductible information, your deductible will be due at the time of service. If you have failed to make copay, coinsurance and/or deductible payment at the time of visit you may be charged an additional \$25.00 billing fee. Medical care not covered by your plan is due in full at the time of the visit.**

As a courtesy to our patients, **DVP** will bill your primary insurance company. Please remember that your insurance is a contract between you and the insurance company, not the doctor. You are responsible for balances after primary insurance has paid and payment in full is due with the receipt of the statement. We participate in most plans, but if we do not accept your insurance you will be responsible for the day's charges at the end of the visit. Balances and/or unpaid claims over 60 days will be required to be paid in full or financial arrangements will have to be made before any future appointments can be scheduled.

**\*\*\*We do not file secondary, automobile, general liability or homeowner's insurance\*\*\***

You must report ALL insurance coverage correctly. Failure to do so is considered insurance fraud. This will also result in full patient responsibility of your bill. INVALID INSURANCE INFORMATION causing the claim to be returned will be subject to a \$25.00 refiling fee. Unless other arrangements are made with our financial department we refer unpaid bills to a collection company after 60 days. Unpaid balances that are transferred to the collection company may result in family dismissal from the practice. There will be a re-instatement fee of \$35.00 once the balance has been paid in full.

We accept cash, check, MasterCard, Visa or Discover. There will be a \$25.00 for all returned checks. **Proof of current, valid insurance MUST be provided at the time of each service. Failing to prove you have valid insurance will require the visit to be paid that day.**

**PAYMENT PLANS:** If you are having difficulty paying your balance in full, please call our financial department for arrangements. We must have a signed payment plan and you must be paying regularly to keep your account from further action.

Parent/Patient Name

Signature date

Signature