

## **Transfer Patient Information**

We recognize that while it is exciting to relocate to Naples, the move can be challenging. We are prepared to help you through this process and make your transition to our practice as easy as possible. To facilitate this transfer of responsibility from your previous Orthodontist to Dr. Cullinan, we require a completed American Association of Orthodontics (AAO) TRANSFER FORM and copies of all existing patient records prior to your first visit with us.

This includes x-rays, photos, treatment chart notes, recommendations, etc. Please reach out to your previous Orthodontist as soon as possible and give them written permission to send your records directly to us by mail or secure email.

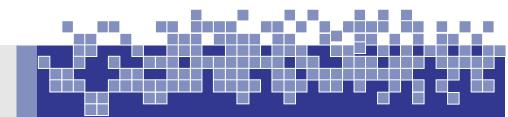
You will receive a New Patient Packet by mail with helpful information about our office. Included in the packet will be Medical/Dental History forms. Please bring the completed forms and any insurance information to your first visit. This will save you time, will allow us to check your insurance eligibility and benefits, and allow us to make the most effective use of our time together.

## **New Patient Forms**

For your convenience, the Medical/Dental History forms are provided below. These are standard forms designed and approved by the American Association of Orthodontics. One form is for our adult patients, and the other for patients under 18 years of age. Click the link to download the appropriate form, print it out and bring the completed form to your appointment.

For ADULT patient (18 years or older)

For CHILD patient (under 18 years)





## **Transfer Patient Information (continued)**

## Advice for Transferring Orthodontic Patient

The American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) TRANSFER FORM provides information that will make your orthodontic transfer easier for you. Your orthodontist has given you this form because you will be transferring your orthodontic care to a new orthodontic. Please be aware that you may be charged a records duplication fee because of this transfer.

Your current orthodontist may have given you the name of one or more orthodontist in your new area. Your orthodontist may have even contacted the orthodontist(s) to see if they will accept transfer patients. However, this does not constitute a recommendation by your orthodontist, and you are under no obligation to continue treatment with a specific orthodontist. You are welcome to visit one of more orthodontists in your new area before deciding who will continue your treatment.

Because there are many accepted techniques and philosophies, your new orthodontist may change your treatment plan or appliances. Variation in how your teeth and jaws are responding to your orthodontic treatment may require a change in your treatment plan.

Orthodontic treatment fees vary widely throughout the country and the world. It is reasonable to expect that a transfer may increase treatment fees and may involve changes in payment policies. For most people who transfer during their orthodontic treatment, the total treatment cost is likely to increase.

When you transfer to a new orthodontist, your treatment time is often extended by the process of transfer. It is reasonable to expect that your treatment time will vary from the original prediction.

When you have identified your new orthodontist, you should contact your former orthodontist to request that your records be transferred. Your new orthodontist will then contact your former orthodontist for any additional information needed.

