

PLEASE REVIEW AND SIGN OUR PRACTICE POLICIES

Insurance Information/Assignment of Benefits*.....Patients are required to provide DENT with current and accurate insurance information at every visit. Please be sure to provide us with accurate information to avoid unexpected out of pocket costs. The service(s) you have elected to participate in implies a financial responsibility on your part. The responsibility obligates you to ensure payment in full of DENT fees. Many insurance companies have additional stipulations that may affect your coverage. If your insurance carrier denies any part of your claim, or if you or your physician elects to continue past your approved service period, you will be responsible for your balance in full. By signing below, you authorize DENT to furnish information to insurance carriers concerning your illnesses and treatments and hereby assign all payments for medical services rendered to you or your dependents to Dent Neurologic. Furthermore, you will be held responsible for any amount not covered by your insurance plan.

Co-Pay, Deductibles, POS Plans, Private Payments and Unpaid Balances.....In accordance with the provision of your insurance plan, you may be required to pay for a portion or all of your medical services. As a result, if you have a co-pay, deductible, or Point of Service Plan or you are a private paying patient, **payment is required at the time of service.** That amount will be credited against the cost of the service, but in many cases will not cover the full amount. DENT requires you to contact your insurer’s Member services for information on your coverage and out-of pocket costs. Should you need to discuss this payment policy, you may contact our Business Office at 250-2010 prior to your appointment. Please note it is within our discretion to take current payments and apply them to existing unpaid balances or move credit balances to future appointments. If for any reason, you maintain an unpaid balance on your account and fail to work out a payment arrangement with us, after 90 days your account will be turned over to a collection agency, proceedings will begin and you will be discharged from our care. Accounts sent to collections will have a 30% collection fee added to the balance along with applicable attorney fees.

Identity Verification.....The Federal Trade Commissions, “Red Flag” rule requires health care providers to establish a program to prevent identity theft. As a result we will be asking all patients to provide photo identification when checking in for their appointment and will be taking a photograph to be used for the sole purpose of identification. If you are unable to provide us with proper identification at the time of your visit, we will need to **reschedule** your appointment.

Practice Communication Information.....Patients in our practice can set their preferences at any time to be contacted by phone, email and/or text message for appointment reminders, to make a payment, or for other healthcare information. By providing us with your contact information, you consent to receiving communications from us. You must inform our staff if you’d like to opt out of these reminders.

Medical Photography.....Medical photography taken for diagnostic purposes will become a part of your medical record and remain confidential in accordance with regulatory requirements and Dent Policy. From time to time we may use de-identified medical imaging or photography for research or academic purposes. Dent retains all ownership rights in these programs.

Prescription Refills.....Patients must contact their pharmacies to request any prescription refills for medications that DENT prescribes. In turn, the individual pharmacies will contact our organization with those requests. Please allow 5 business days for medications to be filled. Refills requiring a prior authorization take a minimum of 10 days.

Appointment Cancellation and No Show Policy.....Your scheduled appointment is time reserved especially for you. **We require a minimum of 24-hours advance notice for cancellation or rescheduling of an appointment to allow us to offer this time to other patients.** Rescheduling fees are: \$100-Imaging, VNG, Neuropsychology, Sleep Studies. \$50- All other appointments. All assessed fees are collected at the time of scheduling the next appointment. Patients will not be able to reschedule an appointment until all fees are paid.

General Consent to Treatment and Right to Refuse Treatment.....By signing below, I (or my authorized representative on my behalf) authorize DENT Neurologic Institute and its staff to conduct any diagnostic examinations, tests and procedures and to provide any medications, treatment or therapy necessary to effectively assess and maintain my health, and to assess, diagnose and treat my illness or injuries. I understand that it is the responsibility of my individual treating healthcare providers to explain to me the reasons for any particular diagnostic examination, test or procedure, the available treatment options and the common risks and anticipated burdens and benefits associated with these options as well as alternative courses of treatment.

In giving my consent to treatment, I understand that I retain the right to refuse any particular examination, test, procedure, treatment, therapy or medication recommended or deemed medically necessary by my individual treating healthcare providers. I also understand that the practice of medicine is not an exact science and that no guarantees have been made to me as to the results of my evaluation and/or treatment.

I have read and agree to all of the above policies. I understand that my failure to comply with any of these policies may result in discharge from the medical practice.

Print Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

*Patients with No Fault or Workers Compensation coverage will be handled in compliance with New York State law with regard to payment and benefits.