# <u>Crown Consent Form (Prosthetic Crowns):</u>

## Prosthetic crown material options:

- Different Material Options- They all have their pros and cons as listed below:
  - Porcelain crowns made by the Cerec robot are the best overall option but they fracture and break more frequently than zirconia crowns. The patient will be charged to replace a broken crown. Thus, if you want maximum longevity then you must request zirconia or 'cast metal' crowns.
  - o **Zirconia Crowns** are made of super strong ceramic that looks beautiful but it de-bonds frequently and they can damage your opposing teeth due to the hardness of this material. Also they are often times overly bulky.
  - 'Cast Metal' Crowns are the best option if the patient is willing to accept metal material with regards to decreased esthetics associated with metal crowns.
  - o **Porcelain fused to metal crowns** have some unique benefits but the ceramic portion is prone to fracturing just as Cerec ceramic crowns are prone to fracturing.

## Crown Warranty Schedule for crowns that are made in our office:

- All the warranty conditions listed below will depend on the patient certifying the following requirements:
  - The patient must demonstrate in the office that they have a professional made hard night guard which fits properly.
  - o The patient must assure us verbally that the night guard is worn every night with excellent discipline.
- Standard Replacement Crown is defined as either a base metal crown or a ceramic crown.
  - The patient can choose between "cast base metal", "ceramic material" or "zirconia material" for the one-time, free, standard replacement crown.
  - o If the patient wants "cast gold material", "porcelain fused to base metal" or "porcelain fused to gold metal" then they will be charged a \$150 upgrade fee to cover the cost of materials.
- Crown de-bonds within the first 12 months of placement
  - We will recement the crown only one time for free. Any other re-cementation for the same crown would be charged at full price to the patient.
- Crown breaks within the first 12 months of placement.
  - We will make a new standard replacement crown for only \$200 cash fee.
- Crown breaks within the first 24 months of placement.
  - o We will make a new standard replacement crown for only \$300 cash fee.
- Crown breaks within the first 36 months of placement.
  - o We will make a new standard replacement crown for only \$500 cash fee.
- Crown breaks within the first 48 months of placement.
  - o We will make a new standard replacement crown for only \$600 cash fee.
- Crown breaks within the first 60 months of placement.
  - We will make a new standard replacement crown for only \$700 cash fee.

### Post-Op Tooth Pain:

The procedure for dental restoration can create pain in your teeth. Some patients do not have pain before the procedure; however, the tooth becomes painful postop. Furthermore, if your restoration caused tooth pain, the tooth may require root canal or extraction to resolve the resultant tooth pain. The patient is responsible to pay for any root canals or extraction that become necessary.

Insurance:

This is just an estimate, not a guarantee of payment by your insurance company. All payments are due at the time of service for any procedure the patient desires. In the event that your insurance pays less than the estimated portion, then you are responsible for the full balance. This estimate is subject to change 3 months from today.

### Dental Anesthesia:

Anesthesia can cause adverse reactions including epinephrine reaction, palpitations, loss of consciousness, heart attack, stroke, aneurysm, nerve injury (including permanent facial nerve paralysis) and even death. You accept these risks if you undergo dental anesthesia. Please consult with your physician if you are unsure about this decision.

-Block injections can lead to permanent nerve injury with permanent pain sensations in the upper and/or lower jaw/lip.

-Sometimes we place a crown or restoration and flossing contacts are perfect at time of delivery, but then a few months later the patient's teeth move due to (1) natural distal drift phenomenon that sometimes happens or (2) patient wears a ill-fitting appliance that was not adjusted to accommodate the patient's new restoration. Our office will not provide free redo or discount redo for these situations. It is the patient's responsibility to purchase a new night guard, essix retainer, removable denture etc. It I s your responsibility to purchase a new appliance immediately after receiving your new restoration. Furthermore, you can ask our dental office to attempt a adjustment for your appliance but we make zero guarantee that our adjustment will result in a favorable fit. We charge \$260 per instance for adjustment appointments and we make zero guarantee for success. We have had some patients say that the adjustment made the appliance fit worse. We told them that is unfortunate but we will provide zero discount, zero refund and zero guarantee because we charge for our time, effort and materials. We offer zero warranty or assurance for success. It is also the patient's responsibility to purchase and wear essix retainer if they hope to maintain their teeth positions. Without essix retainer there is no guarantee your teeth will stay in the same positions. There have been cases where we deliver perfect crown with perfect flossing contacts but then a few months later the flossing contact is deficient. This is due to abnormal types of drift that happens for some patient's teeth in some conditions. The patient will be responsible to pay full fees for replacement crown if this type of problem happens with flossing contacts. Thus, our office recommends you immediately purchase essix retainer to ensure your crown/bridge stays in the correct position.

We cannot assess the restorability of your tooth until we remove the existing crown/filling/caries. After removal of the existing crown/filling/caries we will then make a determination if the tooth is restorable. The patient understands that sometimes we start a procedure such as crown/filling but determine intra-operatively the tooth is unrestorable.