

## **WELCOME TO OUR OFFICE!**

The following page needs to be completed to assist you with your care. We are unable to accurately calculate the costs involved with your first visit until Dr. Schierling has had the opportunity to discuss your health problems with you. You will, however, be informed of the cost, prior to treatment being rendered. The typical New Patient visit runs between \$74.00 to \$150.00, depending on what X-rays are taken.

**I plan to take care of today's visit by:**

- Cash/personal check**
- Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard or Discover)**

**If you are covered by MEDICARE, please present a copy of your card to the front desk.**

### **Insurance Information:**

As most of you have experienced, your insurance premiums continue to rise with each policy renewal, your deductibles increase, your co-payments go up, but your benefits continue to go down. The truth behind most PPO or HMO policies is that the physician is under contract to give discounts to your **Insurance Company**. Unfortunately, your insurance company does not pass these discounts on to you.

Although we are considered a Provider for all insurance companies, Schierling Chiropractic, LLC is not a “*Participating*” Provider with any insurance company. There are many reasons for this and it would take a book to write them all down. The bottom line is that it allows us to give discounts to you the patient instead of your insurance company.

**We currently give an “at time of service discount” of 33% – 50% on chiropractic services (greater than any insurance company discount) to any and all patients that pay in full on the day of service.** Participating Providers are *not* allowed to give patient discounts as it is considered illegal. Patients pay us on the day service is rendered, and we will provide an itemized receipt with all of the information necessary for to be reimbursed. You can then mail/fax this receipt to your insurance carrier if you wish.

On rare occasions; certain patients who have chiropractic coverage, *and* who have met their deductible, may be allowed to assign their benefits to Schierling Chiropractic, LLC and pay the estimated patient portion at the time of service. Please make sure that we have a copy of your current insurance card. **“Time of service discounts” do not ever apply to assigned services.** The patient is responsible for any balance not paid by the insurance carrier.

Schierling Chiropractic, LLC reserves the right to add a 53% collection fee to the balance of any account sent to collections. Patients are responsible for any and all legal fees accrued in the process of collecting past due amounts. After 90 days, past due accounts accrue interest at the rate of 18% annually.

**I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS I AND NOT MY INSURANCE COMPANY WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY BILLS INCURRED AT SCHIERLING CHIROPRACTIC, LLC.**

**PATIENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_