



# Joiner & Zwart Dentistry

## Orthodontic Payment Options

Thank you for choosing Joiner and Zwart Dentistry for your dental care. We offer clear aligner and in limited cases traditional braces for orthodontic care. Dr. Joiner is a general dentist with extra training in orthodontic care, but he is not a board-certified orthodontist. We offer our orthodontic services as an alternative to seeing an orthodontist for those who do not wish to travel or have the finances. We strive to offer excellent care but do not claim to be at the same level as an orthodontist, especially for complex cases.

We offer affordable monthly payments to our patients who qualify through Care Credit®. We hope that the payment options below will allow you the opportunity to improve your oral health using the clear, removable aligners.

Case Type	5% courtesy applied when paid in full cash/check	3% courtesy when paid in full Credit Card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover)	12 months 0% int. with Care Credit®
<b>Level 3</b> Advanced \$4720	\$4,484	\$4,578	\$394 /mo
<b>Level 2</b> Moderate \$3850	\$3,658	\$3,735	\$321 /mo
<b>Level 1</b> Minor \$2800	\$2,660	\$2,716	\$234 /mo

- Fees reflect SureSmile aligners. Add \$400 to the cost for the name brand Invisalign aligners.
- Retainers are always necessary at the end of active treatment to maintain your smile. There is no charge for the first set. Lost, broken, or worn out retainers will be the responsibility of the patient, current value is \$350-425.
- A small fee may be charged for lost aligners or changes to treatment if needed due to non-compliance

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Treatment Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance Estimate: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Patient Estimate: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Option:  Cash (5% disc)  Credit Card (3% disc)  Care Credit Financing

**Insurance estimates are not guaranteed. Any amount not paid by your insurance company for any reason becomes your responsibility.**

Patient (or responsible party) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Clear Aligner Therapy Informed Consent

## Benefits

- Clear aligners offer an esthetic alternative to conventional braces for minor tooth movement.
- Aligners are nearly invisible so many people won't realize you are in treatment.
- Aligners allow for normal brushing and flossing tasks that are generally impaired by conventional braces.
- Aligners do not have the metal wires or brackets associated with conventional braces.

- 1 Clear aligners are capable of producing movement of the front 20 teeth (10 upper and 10 lower). They are not designed to correct major bite problems, close large spaces, or significantly move back teeth;
- 2 Failure to wear the appliances for the required number of hours per day, not using the products as directed by your doctor, missing appointments, and atypically shaped teeth can lengthen the treatment time and affect the ability to achieve the desired results;
- 3 Dental tenderness may be experienced after switching to the next aligner in the series;
- 4 Gums, cheeks and lips may be scratched or irritated;
- 5 Teeth may shift position after treatment. Faithful retainer wear at the end of treatment is required for life.
- 6 Tooth decay, periodontal disease, inflammation of the gums or permanent markings (e.g. decalcification) may occur if patients consume foods or beverages containing sugar, do not brush and floss their teeth properly before wearing the clear aligner, or do not use proper oral hygiene and preventative maintenance;
- 7 The aligners may temporarily affect speech and may result in a lisp, although any speech impediment caused by the clear aligner should disappear within one or two weeks;
- 8 Aligners may cause a temporary increase in salivation or mouth dryness; certain medications may exacerbate.
- 9 Teeth may require interproximal recontouring (or slenderizing) to create space to allow tooth movement;
- 10 General medical conditions and use of medications can affect orthodontic treatment;
- 11 Health of the bone and gums which support the teeth may be impaired or aggravated;
- 12 A tooth that has been previously traumatized, or significantly restored may be aggravated. In rare instances the useful life of the tooth may be reduced, the tooth may require additional dental treatment such as endodontic and/or additional restorative work and the tooth may be lost;
- 13 Existing dental restorations (e.g. crowns) may become dislodged and require re-cementation or in some instances, replacement;
- 14 Short clinical crowns can pose appliance retention issues and inhibit tooth movement;
- 15 The length of the roots of the teeth may be shortened during orthodontic treatment and may become a threat to the useful life of teeth;
- 16 Aligner breakage has a higher probability in cases with multiple missing teeth or extreme crowding or rotations;
- 17 Orthodontic appliances or parts thereof may be accidentally swallowed or aspirated;
- 18 In rare instances, problems may also occur in the jaw joint, causing joint pain, headaches or ear problems;
- 19 Allergic reactions may occur; and
- 20 Teeth that are not at least partially covered by the aligner may move in an unplanned way.

**CONSENT:** I certify that I have read or had read to me the contents of this form. I have read or had read to me and will follow any patient instructions related to this procedure. I understand the potential risks, complications and side effects involved with any dental treatment or procedure and have decided to proceed with this procedure after considering the possibility of both the known and unknown risks, complications, side effects and alternatives to the procedure. I declare that I have had the opportunity to ask questions and all of my questions have been answered to my satisfaction.

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Patient / Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Print Name