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Patient Name: _____ **Date:** _____

We understand that choosing a new dentist and dental team can be a challenge, leaving you feeling somewhat uncertain. Let us welcome you and share some insights about what we do for our patients and as part of your first visit, you can help us understand what your expectations are.

“Our purpose is to help people achieve the highest level of dental health based on what you tell us.”

In other words, we help you be or become as healthy as you CHOOSE. This is a major departure from what you have experienced before. Instead of telling you how healthy you ought to be, we will help you understand your choices about dental health and then let YOU make an informed decision. Your first choice is how you would like to begin with us. There are five levels on which people may choose to be seen in our practice. **Please check the level of care you feel is most appropriate for you at this time.**

- Level 1: URGENT CARE** People in crisis or with an emergency problem such as pain, swelling, or infection that need our immediate help. We see emergencies immediately, whenever possible, or offer a referral if needed.
- Level 2: REMEDIAL CARE** People who choose this level of care desire treatment only when something breaks or becomes painful. Generally people at this level expect a limited type of examination, focusing on very obvious problems. They usually want to correct immediate problems with as little effort and as minimal cost as possible, regardless of long term repercussions; this option **will** result in tooth loss and denture use.
- Level 3: SELF-CARE** Patients who choose this level of care want a thorough examination and take an active part in the treatment and prevention of present and future disease problems. However, they usually choose repair solutions that are short term in nature versus a decades long view; this option **will** result in tooth loss and denture use.
- Level 4: COMPLETE DENTISTRY** Patients at this level are similar to people described in level 3. They choose to have a thorough examination. However, they decide on a **MASTER PLAN** to formulate a long term blueprint for health and repair. These patients are very concerned about treating the causes of dental disease and the avoidance of needing dentures, not simply the effects. These patients want all dental treatment provided to be completed in the most lasting fashion possible. This is the **BEST** option.
- Level 5: LOOK YOUR BEST** People in this group are level 4 as far as dental health is concerned, but also want to look their best at all times. They know that their smile is the first thing others notice about them and want to put their best foot forward. They select not only functional options but also cosmetic options for gaining a “drop dead gorgeous” smile. This is also the **BEST** option.

We hope these levels of care make sense to you. It is not uncommon to begin at one level and progress to another over time. We are here to help you discover and decide at what level you are most comfortable. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and provide you with the best dentistry appropriate for you based on your choice.

To YOUR health and smile,

Dr. Atcha, Dr. Sandhu, and Dr. Kapadia and the entire Dyer Family Dentistry Team

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____