## **Cancellation/Missed Appointment Policy**

Our goal at Highlands Dental is to provide quality dental care in a timely manner. In order to do so we have implemented an appointment/cancellation policy. This policy enables us to better utilize appointments for our patients in need of dental care.

## **Cancellation of an Appointment:**

In order to be respectful of the needs of our patients, please be courteous and call Highlands Dental if you are unable to attend your appointment. This time will be reallocated to someone who is in need of treatment that day. If it is necessary to cancel your scheduled appointment, we require that you call at least 48 hours in advance during our normal business hours Mon. - Thur. From 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. We cannot accept cancellations via voicemail. For example, if you have an appointment on Monday, you must call us at least by the previous Thursday to cancel your appointment. We cannot cancel your appointment over the weekend while our office is closed. Appointments are in high demand, and your early cancellation will give another person the opportunity to have access to timely care. Late cancellations will be considered a "no-show".

## **No-show Policy:**

A "no-show" is either arriving more than 15 minutes late for a scheduled appointment or a missed appointment without 48 hours notice. "No-shows" inconvenience other patients who may need access to care in timely manner. A failure to present at the time of a scheduled appointment without adequate notice will be recorded in the patient's chart as a "no-show" and a \$75.00 per hour appointment time missed will be assessed and must be paid prior to your next appointment. Any further "no-show" appointments may result in the termination of the patient from the practice.

We may provide a courtesy appointment reminder, however, you are responsible for keeping the appointments that you make. How do you wish we contact you for appointment reminders?

☐ Text	_ phone number
☐ Phone Call	_ phone number
☐ Email	email address
I have read the above policy completely. I agree to all of the terms and understand that if I violate this policy, it may result in the termination of my doctor/patient relationship.	
Patient Signature	Date