Your dentist has referred you for orthodontic therapy at OHSU School of Dentistry. Our orthodontic screenings open a few months at a time, and we have limited screenings, so **please give us a call 503-494-8921 to schedule a screening**.

Please review the information below:

**About Us**

The OHSU School of Dentistry's Orthodontic clinic is committed to providing the highest quality orthodontic treatment for children and adults. We correct minor, moderate and severe orthodontic problems. Our clinic is a state-of-the-art facility that overlooks downtown Portland where we provide treatment using traditional braces and clear aligners.

**What to Expect**

To become a patient, we offer free initial screenings (initial exams or consultations) to evaluate your treatment needs. At the screening, Orthodontic faculty evaluate the position of the patient's teeth, their bite, consider functional or esthetic concerns, and will discuss preliminary treatment options. If the patient is ready to start with the treatment, we will schedule the patient for a records appointment.

For the records appointment and all future appointments, you or your child meet with an assigned orthodontic resident (a dentist specializing in orthodontics) and a supervising faculty instructor. Once we have your records, providers will develop definitive options and discuss a recommended treatment plan with you or your caregiver.

**Usual Treatment Steps**

* **Screening:** brief examination, discussion of treatment possibilities.
  + Fee: no charge
* **Orthodontic records appointment:** detailed exam, photographs, x-rays, etc.
  + Fee for records: $482.00\* to be paid when the records' appointment is scheduled. This fee is non-refundable once the records have been made.
* **Comprehensive treatment** (all permanent teeth are in the patient’s mouth) usually requires 2-3 years to complete.

Fees for comprehensive treatment:

* + Adult (18 years of age and older): $4,988.00\*
  + Child/Adolescent: $3,848.00\*
  + Clear Aligner Comprehensive Treatment: $5,670.00\*

\*Self-pay patients will receive a 25% discount with payment in full.

* **Limited treatment** (some baby teeth are still present, comprehensive treatment will likely still be needed when all the teeth are in) may be offered and requires 1-2 years to complete.

Fees for limited treatment

* + Fees for Limited Treatment for All Ages: $1,474.00\*
  + Clear Aligner Limited Treatment (one arch): $2,126.00\*
  + Clear Aligner Limited Treatment (two arches): $2,693.00\*

\*Self-pay patients will receive a 35% discount with payment in full.

* **Treatment Appointments**
  + Appointments are often scheduled for one hour and always on the same day of the week when the supervising faculty instructor is here.
  + Appointments are usually scheduled on 1 to 6-week intervals.
* **Retention:** one set of retainers and retention appointments for two years are included.

If additional treatment is needed (extractions or other dental procedures), there will be additional costs for this. If comprehensive orthodontic treatment (Phase II or braces/clear aligners for upper and lower teeth) is needed after limited treatment is completed, the cost of the limited treatment will be deducted from the fee for comprehensive treatment. The fee for comprehensive treatment will be that which the clinic is using at the time the comprehensive treatment is begun.

Payment in full is required before treatment can be started (placing braces/aligner scans) or payment plans are available for those who qualify through CareCredit.

**What do I do next?**

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