**Invisalign treatment** We need your permission to use all the components of the Invisalign system, as well as your commitment to full time wear of the aligners.

**Attachments** For certain types of movements, aligners can lose their grip on a tooth and fail to get the desired tooth movement. To overcome this, Align Technology custom designs small tooth-colored bumps that are temporarily and precisely bonded to some teeth to improve the effectiveness of the aligners. A small bubble in your aligner will correspond precisely to each of these attachments. Attachments are not invisible; however they are not too noticeable from conversation distance. They are more noticeable on the upper front teeth but that is also where we want great finish detail. I agree to attachments on any teeth as needed.

***I understand I may need attachments (‘buttons’) for desired tooth movement.***

**Our Commitment to Aligner Wear**

Tooth movement is a biological process stimulated by very light force (200 grams). However efficient tooth movement requires that the light force be as continuous as possible. We have learned from our patients that full time wear is easier than episode wear. There are several reasons for this:

- When aligners are worn full time, the bite changes temporarily. Each tooth may not fully touch or front teeth may hit prematurely when the aligners are out. So it is more comfortable with aligners in than out.
- Part time wear will result in the aligners fitting progressive less well, meaning they will not be as comfortable, not look as good not work as effectively. Full time wear (22 hours a day) means the aligners will continue to fit great, look merely invisible, remain comfortable and produce the desired tooth movement.

***I understand I will commit to taking my aligners out only for meals and brushing.***

**Invisalign Full conditions and costs**

- The Clincheck Video simulation is only a guide to what we can expect and not a guarantee that will be achieved. Compliance and care of your aligners well can help.
- Aligners should be worn for at least 22 hours out of 24 to achieve the best results.
- There is a charge of $500 to replace lost aligners if replacements are needed.
- It is important to make all of your scheduled monthly visits to our office. Monthly visits allow us to check your progress and deliver new aligners. Please allow a 48 hour notice prior to an appointment that needs to be canceled or rescheduled. Our desire is never to find it necessary to charge you a $75 broken appointment fee.
- No refunds can be given for cases that are not completed or for factors outside our control.
- We reserve the right to use our discretion in any of the above issues.
- If you refuse the attachments or vary from your treatment plan, and your desired result in not achieved, there will be a $1500.00 charge for each refinement.
✓ You will be required to bring all of your trays to each appointment. Failure to retain all trays will result in a charge of $1500.00 for each refinement.
✓ If you want to have your attachments (‘buttons’) removed for a wedding or other special occasion, there will be a charge of $250.00 to remove and then replace your attachments.

I understand there will be a charge for lost aligners, refinements if treatment plan is not followed and to remove attachments (buttons).

**IPR:** Interproximal Reduction (IPR) is filing between your teeth to create up to a quarter of a millimeter of space per tooth surface. Since this is the thickness of a few pieces of paper it is generally not even noticeable. The filing is usually done with a thin strip of metal that has fine diamond particles. Dentists use this to polish fillings between teeth so it will feel like we are polishing in between your teeth with floss that is gritty. IPR is very valuable because: A small amount of IPR on a number of teeth can create space needed to correct crowding without extracting any teeth. IPR reduces friction between tight teeth facilitating movement. IPR can render better tooth shape and broader contact between teeth. This may be more stable, more aesthetic and even enable better periodontal health. IPR may help avoid extractions as an alternative to create space.

I understand I may need IPR to complete my Invisalign Treatment

**Refinement:** At the end of treatment, we may order further aligners for ensuring that the outcome with your smile is as close to being perfect as possible. With a “Full Invisalign Case” there are three refinements available at no charge if ordered within 6 months of finishing the initial treatment.

I understand that there is a time limit for ordering more aligners.

**Retention:** At the end of the treatment, we recommend the use of retainers to keep your teeth from shifting back to the original position. We recommend permanent, fixed retainers which may be purchased at the end of your treatment. Dr. Wilmore will discuss with you the best form of permanent retention when your treatment is complete. I understand teeth can shift if retainers are not used. I understand there is a charge for retainers and for treating a relapse.

I understand that I need to wear my retainers to keep my teeth from shifting.

I have read and understand the above consent form. I give my permission to begin Invisalign Treatment.