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Dear Parent,

Thank you for scheduling an initial dental examination appointment for your child with our office.

The objective of our office is not merely to accomplish dental treatment to the highest standards, but to help your child develop a positive attitude toward dentistry and oral health care for the present and a lifetime. This first visit, therefore, will introduce your child to dental care, and unless pain is present, no restorative dental treatment will be performed. A dental examination will be completed, oral hygiene techniques will be emphasized, radiographs taken, and the teeth cleaned. Time has been set aside for a consultation with you to discuss findings, and recommendations for treatment with the doctor. **At this initial visit, the child's parent or legal guardian is required to be present.**

You can play a large part in preparing your youngster for his/her first visit to the dentist. Try to be positive when you discuss dental care with your child. Avoid words like "pull teeth, shot, or pain" but use words like "gentle, kind, helper, fun", etc.

We welcome parents and legal guardians to accompany their child during their appointment. We thoroughly explain each of our procedures to your child in terms they can relate to before we perform them. We want to give your child our full attention and have his/hers as well, so we ask that parents and legal guardians please be silent observers during the examination. Be assured that we will treat your child as we do our own. We expect some children to cry, as this is a normal response to a new situation, but kind and gentle treatment almost always overcomes this fear.

If you have any questions now or during the course of treatment, please feel free to speak to one of our staff members or request a consultation with the doctor.

Thank you for choosing Valleau, VanDeven, and Massie Dentistry for Children or your child's health care needs. We look forward to meeting you and your child!

Sincerely,

Dr. Aimee C. Valleau, Dr. Christopher E. VanDeven, Dr. Jessica C. Massie, and Staff