

## **Notification of Policies and Procedures**

<u>PARENT PARTICIPATION</u>: Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend their child's therapy session. Our therapists will provide follow up home activities to help with generalization and carryover of learned skills. Siblings may also observe therapy sessions as long as they are not distracting to the child in therapy.

<u>EVALUATIONS</u>: All new patients will receive an initial evaluation. Prior evaluations from other facilities or practices are accepted if they are current and there have not been any significant changes since that evaluation. All evaluations administered by **Holly Springs Feeding and Speech** will include a written report to explain all administered tests, list and summarize all results/scores, as well as a list of recommendations.

<u>THERAPY</u>: Speech and Feeding therapy goals and service delivery are planned for each child based on evaluation results, speech pathologist recommendations, and parent input. Sessions may occur in either 30 minute or 45 minute sessions, depending on the need of the child.

<u>SICK POLICY</u>: If your child is feeling ill, we kindly request you cancel your visit. *Holly Springs Feeding & Speech* will be happy to reschedule your visit once your child is feeling well. Please understand that you will be bringing you child into a pediatric office where other children may be ill or have a vaccine preventable disease. Please note that but signing this, you understand the risks of having you child in the waiting room. If your child has a fever or is vomiting, they cannot be seen for 24 hours for therapy.

<u>CANCELLATION POLICY</u>: All client cancellations require at least 24-hour notice. Cancellations without 24-hour notice will incur a \$25 missed appointment fee which is not covered by insurance. Special consideration may be given to emergency situations. If a client no shows for three consecutive appointments, the therapist has the right to discontinue services. If sessions are missed due to the therapist absence they will be rescheduled as soon as possible depending on availability. Provider: Provider will take periodic professional/ vacation days with notice. The practice is closed on major holidays unless otherwise specified.

FINANCIAL POLICY: ALL PAYMENTS ARE EXPECTED AT THE TIME SERVICES ARE RENDERED UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED UPON IN ADVANCE. CHECKS AND CASH ARE ACCEPTED.

<u>INSURANCE</u>: *Holly Springs Feeding & Speech* will not enter a dispute between you and your insurance company regarding a claim. All deductibles and copays not covered by your insurance policy are due at the time services are rendered unless otherwise agreed upon. If at the end of sixty days your insurance claim has not been paid, you will be responsible for paying the total balance due within 30 days.

<u>SELF PAY PATIENTS</u>: Payment in full is due at the time services are rendered unless otherwise agreed upon. **OTHER FEES**: A \$25 fee will be charged for checks with insufficient funds.

<u>LIABILITY POLICY:</u> All Speech-Language Pathologists (SLP) employed with *Holly Springs Feeding and Speech* are credentialed with the American Speech Language Hearing Association and are licensed to practice speech pathology within the state of North Carolina. SLP Clinical Fellows (SLP-CFY) employed with *Holly Springs Feeding and Speech* hold temporary North Carolina speech pathology licenses and are directly supervised by a certified and credentialed SLP. All speech and feeding therapy services and goals will be reviewed and agreed upon with parents/patients prior to the first session. Parents will not hold this therapist responsible for any claims or damages of any kind, for injury to any person or persons and/or for any damages due to loss of property arising directly or indirectly out of participation in speech therapy sessions.

By signing this form, you are stating that you have read and agre	ed to the above.
Patient Name (printed):	
Patient Date of Birth (DOB):	
Signature	Date

Thank you for understanding and we look forward to working with you.

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