

WELCOME TO OUR OFFICE

We are pleased to receive you as a new patient. Hopefully, this letter will enable you to become more familiar with our services and procedures, as well as with Dr. Beckwith. We also encourage you to visit our website at www.mtnviewortho.com to learn more about our office. We strive to provide you with not only the best in orthodontic treatment, but also the best in patient services. Because we understand your busy lifestyle, we are happy to offer our patients T-link, our 24/7 patient information system that gives you the answers you need, even when we are not in the office. T-link will allow you to check appointment dates and sign up for email and text appointment reminders as well as allowing responsible parties to check your account balance.

Your initial appointment is for a clinical examination to determine if there is a need for orthodontic treatment. We will advise you of the nature of the problem and what corrective treatment, if any, is indicated at this time. The duration of treatment, timing of treatment and the nature of subsequent appointments will be discussed. There is *no* fee for this initial examination.

Based on the clinical examination, we will recommend one of the following procedures:

NO TREATMENT – Orthodontic therapy is not indicated at this time or it is preferable to address the patient's concerns through alternate dental treatment.

RECALL – If it is too early to begin orthodontic treatment, we will send an email or call you during the month specified by Dr. Beckwith to schedule a follow-up visit for evaluation of the tooth and jaw development. As with the initial exam, there is *no* charge for the recall visit; however, there may be a charge for any necessary radiographs (x-rays). We do not charge for these exams because we feel it is very important to be able to begin treatment at the appropriate time. This allows us to achieve the best results while minimizing treatment time.

DIAGNOSTIC RECORDS – If orthodontic treatment is needed now or if further information is needed to determine when certain problems would best be treated, full records will be needed. Records include radiographs (x-rays) specific to orthodontics, photographs, plaster models of the teeth, jaw joint (TMJ) exam and checking the supporting structures (bone and gum tissues). For your convenience, some exam appointment times have diagnostic records appointments available immediately following the initial exam. If you would like to have the option of having diagnostic records taken the same day as the exam, please call the office to verify that your appointment is scheduled accordingly.

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Beckwith is a Colorado native who received his Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) degrees from the University of Colorado. He graduated as the valedictorian of his dental class and received his specialty degree in Orthodontics and his Master of Science on Oral Biology from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. Dr. Beckwith makes his home in Longmont with his wife Dr. Carmen Beckwith, a dentist practicing in Berthoud, and their children Zack and Lindsay.



