

We want to thank you for choosing **EDISS CHIROPRACTIC**. Our goal is to provide the best state of the art alternative health care in the Douglas area. We appreciate your trust in us and look forward to serving your chiropractic needs.

To provide the best care possible, regardless of the area of complaint, Dr. Ediss conducts a complete examination on the first office visit in order to investigate and eliminate any possible underlying causes of problem areas. Because the body functions as a complete unit, something that may seem unrelated could actually be contributing to your symptoms.

The nature of the onset of symptoms, the duration of symptoms, your age, present and past health problems are all contributing factors affecting the duration of recovery as well as the amount of progress achievable. In some situations, patients may actually feel a little worse before they begin to feel better. This is because the body has been accustomed to being in a given position for weeks, months or even years. As corrections are made, the nervous system adapts to the body's new (corrected) position. This is very similar to the patient who experiences orthodontia work. Every time the doctor adjusts the braces, the patient experiences head pain until the nervous system adapts to the new position of the teeth. Since there are so many variables, it is difficult to predict the time schedule or efficacy of the chiropractic procedures. Sometime the response is phenomenal.

In most cases there is a more gradual, but quite satisfactory response. Occasionally, the results are less than expected. Two or more similar conditions may respond differently to the same chiropractic care. Many medical failures find quick relief through chiropractic. In turn, we must admit that conditions which do not respond to chiropractic care, may come under the control or be helped through medical science. The fact is that the science of chiropractic and medicine may never be so exact as to provide definite answers to all problems. Both have made great strides in alleviating pain and controlling disease.

Dr. Ediss incorporates and utilizes many techniques in the care and treatment of his patients. When he is working with a patient it is at that time that he will make the decision on which technique he will utilize for your condition. (Please see our web-site for the different services we offer.)

Listed below are our charges as of **APRIL 1, 2015**:

FIRST OFFICE VISIT: MINIMUM OF \$163.00. This includes a personal history evaluation and a chiropractic exam for \$105.00 and a manipulation for \$58.00. If x-rays, additional therapies or nutrition (supplements) are necessary they are extra over the \$163.00 and **will be due** at the end of your first visit. Please ask about x-ray prices. The first office visit takes approximately an hour. For **children** the cost is slightly reduced. **Ages 5 and under** the minimum is \$105.00 (and takes about 30 minutes). For **ages 6 to 12** it is \$125.00 (and takes about 45 minutes).

The charges listed are for the services that are most commonly used in our office. If there is a service that is not listed and you would like to know the charge, please let us know.

Spinal Manipulation, 3-4 regions, \$58.00
Spinal Manipulation, 1-2 regions, \$42.00
Electrical Stimulation, laser, \$25.00
Acupuncture, \$55.00

Nutritional Evaluation, \$45.00
Lumbar x-ray, 2 view, \$82.00
Cervical x-ray, 2 view, \$72.00

SUBSEQUENT OFFICE VISIT: These visits take approximately 15 minutes. **If additional time is needed by the patient, the doctor will charge for that time at \$55.00 every 15 minutes.** To utilize your office visit efficiently please write down any questions you may have prior to your visit and then bring your questions with you.

We do require **full payment for everyone for the first office visit.** If you **do not** have insurance we ask that you make full payment at every visit. We do offer a "time of service" discount. We do accept Cash, Checks, Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

INSURANCE PATIENTS:

As a service to our patients we will bill your insurance but still require **payment in full** for the **FIRST OFFICE VISIT** including any therapies, x-rays and nutritional supplements. After we have received confirmation of coverage from your insurance carrier we will continue to bill your insurance and charge you only for your portion. If you have paid us and your Insurance carrier then pays us, **we will refund** any overpayment to you. **If there are services that are not covered by your insurance carrier you will be responsible for payment of those services.** ** We are a preferred provider with Blue Cross Blue Shield.**

MEDICARE PATIENTS:

As a service to our patients we will file your **MEDICARE CLAIMS**. We bill all **MEDICARE** as "Non-assigned". This means MEDICARE will send payment directly **TO YOU**, the beneficiary, and **NOT** to us, the provider. Keep in mind that according to the **MEDICARE MEDICAL POLICY**; reimbursement by **MEDICARE** is specifically limited to the **MANUAL MANIPULATION OF THE SPINE**. Bottom Line - MEDICARE pays **only for the manipulation** and NO other service that we provide. The patient will be responsible for payment of any services **NOT** covered by **MEDICARE**.

NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS:

Nutritional Supplements are to be **paid in full** at the time of purchase. Again, we accept: Cash, Checks, Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

We encourage all of our patients to ask questions. You may want to write them down as they arise so you won't forget. Feel free to call the office if you have any questions before or after your visit.

Please sign and date this form so we know that you have been informed. If you would like a copy for your reference please let us know.

PATIENT SIGNATURE

DATE