



## There are two ways to apply for donated care...

1. Go to [www.njbraces.org](http://www.njbraces.org) and click the red "NJAO DOS Information" link. Download and print the Patient Application. Fill out the application and mail it to the address provided. The DOS coordinator will contact you directly upon application review (This process takes 4-6 weeks).
2. Call DOS Coordinator at 866-201-5906 to have an application mailed to you.



For additional information or materials contact:  
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All application information and materials are available online on our website at [www.njbraces.org](http://www.njbraces.org)

## NJAO DOS Eligibility Guidelines

- Patient must be a resident of the State of New Jersey.
- Patient must not currently be in braces or in between phases of treatment.
- Patient must have an obvious need for orthodontic treatment significantly affecting dental esthetics or function.
- Patient must be between the ages of 7-18; adults will be considered under special circumstances.
- Program applicant must be a patient of record of a family dentist, pediatric dentist or clinic.
- Patient must exhibit and maintain good oral health as determined by the dentist of record.
- Patient or guardian must be willing to adhere to Donated Orthodontic Service rules; the patient must:
  - a. Have regular dental visits during the course of orthodontic treatment;
  - b. Maintain good oral hygiene;
  - c. Keep all regularly scheduled appointments.
  - d. Take proper care of all orthodontic appliances;
  - e. Comply with all instructions given by the orthodontist
- Patient and parent/guardian must participate in all orthodontic screening and/or interview appointments. (Both the orthodontist and participating family must be comfortable with each other)
- Dentist of record must complete and forward an orthodontic referral form to patient coordinator (Standard orthodontic referral slip may be used).
- Patient must be ineligible for orthodontic treatment through insurance or public aid.
- A \$200 one-time processing fee is due once the patient has been processed and accepted by the treating orthodontist.



## Donated Orthodontic Services Program

The New Jersey Donated Orthodontic Services (DOS) program is sponsored by the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) that will help patients who need orthodontic care but cannot afford it. Thanks to concerned orthodontists throughout the state, the National Donated Orthodontic Services (DOS) program provides donated care to children whose families cannot afford necessary orthodontic treatment. Participating orthodontists in New Jersey volunteer to help one or more disadvantaged children. This program is designed for individuals and/or dependents who do not qualify for other assistance programs or who are encountering financial distress and cannot obtain needed orthodontic care. No orthodontic fees will be charged to families who qualify for orthodontic care through DOS. This brochure explains the eligibility requirements for the program and provides information on where to obtain further application materials and information.

For more information please visit  
[www.njbraces.org](http://www.njbraces.org).

## Donated Orthodontic Services **Patient Referral Guide**

The following orthodontic problems represent the types of malocclusions that may qualify for orthodontic treatment under the New Jersey Donated Orthodontic Services (DOS) program:



**Underbite, Overbite, or Crossbite**



**Dental Crowding or Spacing**



**Deep or Open Bites**



**Impactions or Missing/Extra Teeth**

The goal of the **NJ DOS Program** is to provide orthodontic treatment to adolescents whose malocclusion is not severe enough to qualify for other assistance programs, yet significant enough to suffer detrimental dental and social effects. As resources are limited, treatment for minor orthodontic problems is discouraged. Please call the NJ DOS Coordinator at 866-201-5906 with any questions.