

FREE GUIDE FROM ALIGNLOOM

# Questions to Ask an Orthodontist

Bring this checklist to your free consultation so you understand the plan, the cost, and your options before you decide anything.



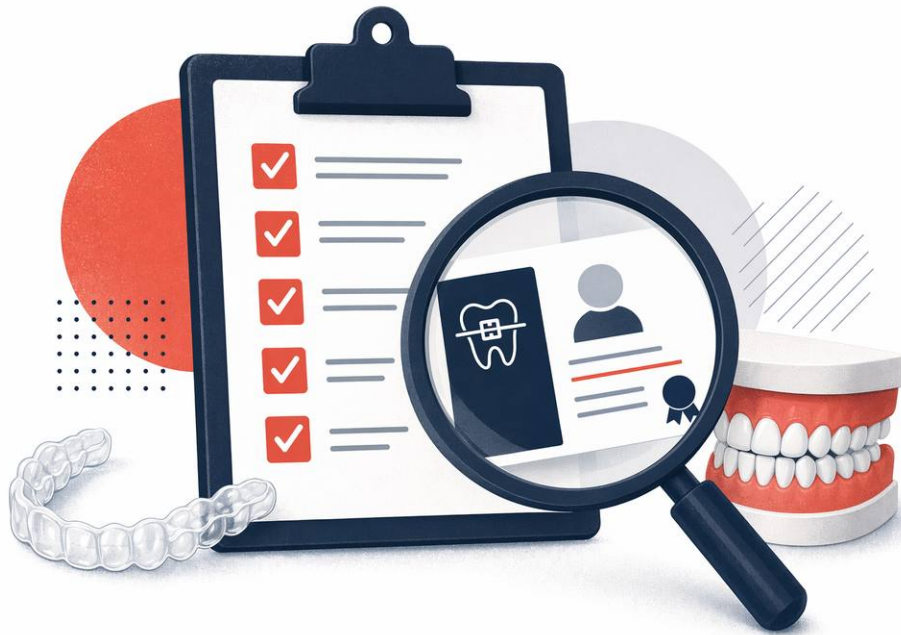
Understand braces and clear aligners in plain language — then get matched, free, with licensed orthodontists near you. You compare and choose who to see.

## Before you go

A consultation is your chance to understand the whole picture. You are not committing to anything by asking questions. A good orthodontist will welcome them and answer in plain language.

## About the treatment plan

- What is the diagnosis, in simple words?
- Which options would work for my case — braces, clear aligners, or both?
- Why do you recommend this option over the others?
- How long do you expect treatment to take?
- What happens if I do nothing for now?

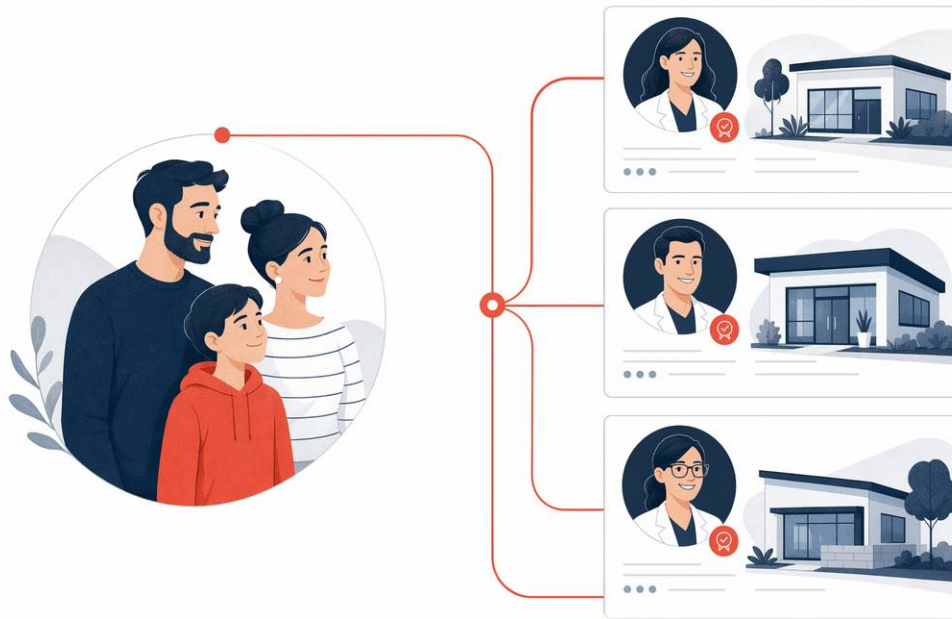


## About cost and payment

- What is the total cost, and what does it include (records, retainers, follow-ups)?
- Does my insurance include an orthodontic benefit, and is there a lifetime maximum?
- Can I use FSA or HSA dollars?
- Do you offer a payment plan, and is there any interest?
- Will I get the plan and price in writing before I start?

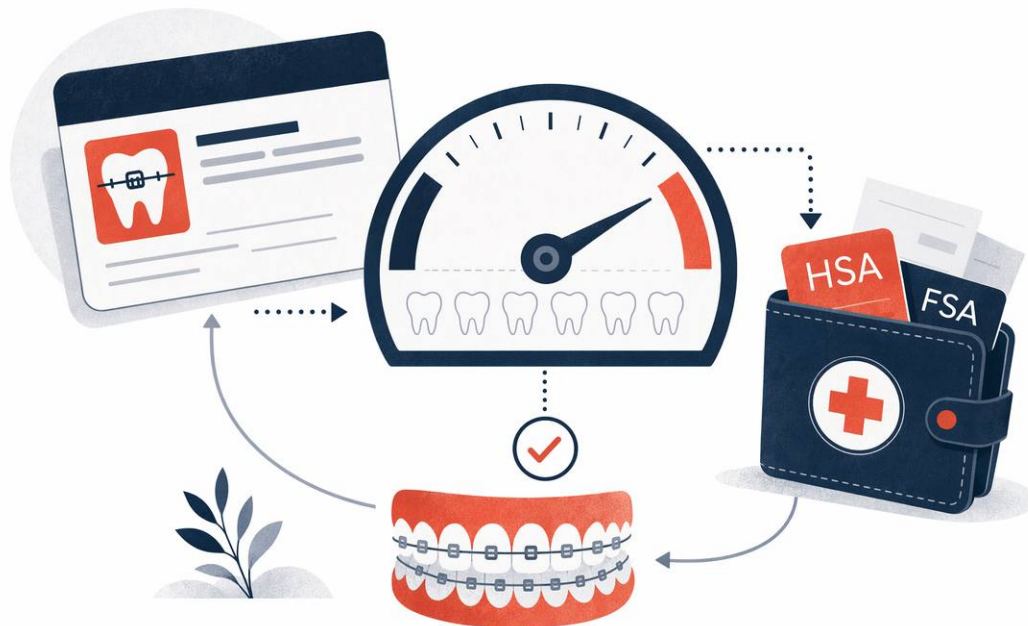
## About the office and the orthodontist

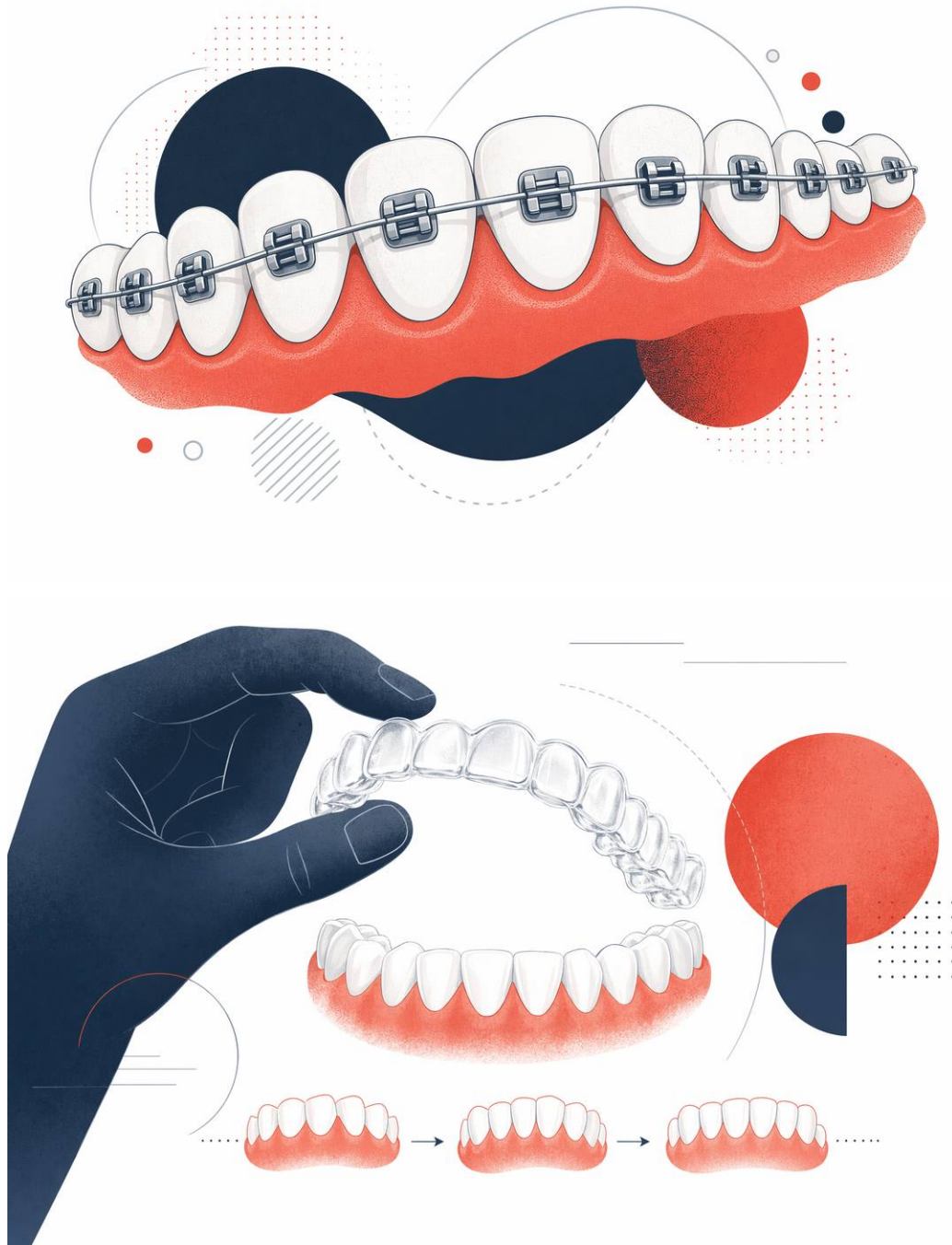
- Are you a licensed orthodontist, and how can I verify that?
- Who handles emergencies, and how fast?
- How often are appointments, and how long are they?
- Is help available in my language?



## After the visit

- 1 Take the written plan home and read it calmly.
- 2 Compare it with one other office if you can.
- 3 Check your insurance benefit yourself.
- 4 Decide who to see — you are always in control.





## Important

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