

DENTAL TREATMENT CONSENT FORM

Indicated on my examination, I, _____ consent to the following dental treatment

I agree to the use of local anesthesia, sedation and analgesia depending upon the recommendation of Dr. Wong.

I am aware and have been advised of the probable complications of the diagnosed procedures, anesthesia and drugs.

I understand that occasionally there are complications following dental treatment, or the administration anesthesia or the prescription of drugs which can result in a wide variety of complications specific to those procedures or medications being used or performed and cross reactions with other medications or physical conditions already present.

I believe the health history which I have reviewed and signed to be accurate and complete and all information provided which may be of importance to my oral and physical health.

___EXTRACTIONS / ORAL SURGERY

The most common complications to extraction or oral surgery are pain, swelling, nausea, vomiting, bruising, bleeding, tingling or numbness of the lip, gum, face or tongue due to nerve damage, post infection, sinus complication or damage to other teeth, bone, T.M.J., or neck and unfavorable reactions to drugs or anesthesia.

___COMPOSITE (WHITE) OR AMALGAM (SILVER) FILLINGS

The most common complications to fillings are pain, sensitivity to temperature changes or foods, fracture tooth structure, nerve damage, damage to other teeth, occlusal (bite) discrepancies, T.M.J complications, or reaction to drugs or anesthesia.

___CROWNS AND BRIDGES

The most common complications are pain, sensitivity to temperature changes or foods, tooth nerve damage, fracture of tooth structure, damage to other teeth, occlusal (bite) discrepancies, T.M.J. complications, periodontal complications, tooth loss, esthetic limitations, reactions to drugs or anesthesia.

___ROOT CANAL THERAPY

The most common complications are pain, swelling, infection, tooth fracture, numbness of lips, face tongue, damage to crowns, bridges or teeth, tooth loss, diagnostic inconsistency, reactions to drugs or anesthesia.

I understand teeth treated with root canal therapy even under the best circumstances can fail. Root canal teeth must be normally restored with crowns and posts or bridges.

___PERIODONTAL CLEANING / SCALING

The most common complications are pain, bleeding, tissue (gum) laceration, sensitivity to temperature foods, swelling, ulceration (infections), tooth fracture, crown fracture, breakage of fillings. Reactions to fluoride treatment can be allergic reaction, nausea, or vomiting.

___REMOVABLE DENTURE / PARTIALS

The most common complications to fabrication or relining of removable appliances are pain, ulceration (mouth sores), swelling, temporary pronunciation adaptations, inadequate fit or appearance, occlusal (bite) discrepancies, TMJ syndrome, dry and cracked lips, or gagging. Also may require several adjustment appointments after delivery.

Date _____

Patient or Parent Signature _____

CROWNS / BRIDGES

BENEFITS:

- Improve appearance and prevent tooth fracture
- Replace missing teeth permanently (cemented);
- Can improve chewing and speech efficiency
- Repair broken down tooth
- Eliminate food trap
- Repair tooth that no longer can be filled
- To provide solid structure for partial denture attachment

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS:

- Porcelain portion of crown may fracture Crown may come off and require recementation
- Tooth may abscess and require further treatment (may not show up until later)
- Future decay may require a new crown

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Tooth may fracture and need extraction
- Tooth may need a root canal in addition to the crown
- Teeth will drift and lean over
- May lose back teeth due to shifting
- Periodontal problems (Gum disease)
- Can reduce chewing efficiency

ALTERNATIVES:

- Removable Partial or no teeth in the spaces

PERIODONTAL CLEANING

BENEFITS:

- Look nicer; Cleaner mouth
- Eliminate odors, tartar, and infection
- Prevent further gum disease
- Reduce overgrown tissue and food pockets

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS:

- Sensitive teeth and/or gums
- Feeling of spaces between teeth
- Fillings may be loosened (normal if filling was ready to fall out)
- May need to be repeated in future

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Stains on teeth and Odors
- Progressing gum disease
- May lose teeth sooner

ALTERNATIVES:

- More frequent appointment for scaling

EXTRACTIONS

BENEFITS:

- Last resort for non-restorable tooth
- Eliminate pain and infection
- Remove teeth that are out of position

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS:

- Fractured tooth particles may remain
- Irritation to nerves may cause temporary or permanent numbness
- Part or all of tooth may be lodged in sinus, requiring more surgery
- Serious infection may require extended healing period
- Jaw may be stiff and difficult to open for a time after treatment
- Fragile or thin jawbone may fracture

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Spread of infection, swelling, or pain

FILLINGS

BENEFITS:

- Eliminate decay
- Relieve pain
- Fill in hole and cover eroded area

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS:

- Tooth may abscess from the filling
- May fracture the tooth
- Tooth may be sensitive to temperature changes
- Filling may fall out

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Tooth may fracture and may need extraction
- Decay can get larger and pain can occur
- May result in the need for a root canal

ALTERNATIVES:

- Extraction

X-RAYS

BENEFITS:

- More complete diagnosis
- Can find hidden problems
- Can make a determination of treatment
- Taken by licensed personnel

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Cannot perform dental procedure

LOCAL ANESTHETICS

BENEFITS:

- Avoid pain during treatments and procedures

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS:

- Gum sores and bruising
- Prolonged numbness may extend beyond normal and can lead to nerve damage
- In rare instances, possible consequences may include all those applicable to General Anesthesia, including allergic reactions up to and including death

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Mild to severe pain during and after treatment

ALTERNATIVES:

- Willingness to accept pain during treatment

DENTURES/PARTIALS

BENEFITS:

- Cost

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS:

- Can rock or stress teeth may loosen own natural teeth
- Metal clasps are sometimes visible
- Decay can occur under clasps

- Usually some amount of movement from the partials

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Same as under crown / bridgework

ALTERNATIVES:

- Bridgework

ROOT CANAL

BENEFITS:

- Eliminates infection and relieves pain
- Save the tooth

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS:

- Perforation of root or broken files complicating completion
- Undiagnosable root fracture or auxiliary canal means failure and extraction

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT HAVING WORK DONE OR POSTPONING:

- Extraction of tooth