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DENTAL TREATMENT CONSENT FORM

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

I agree to the use of local anesthesia, 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.

___**COMPOSITE (WHITE) 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. Alternative treatment: removable denture or implant supported restoration.

___**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:

implant suppported restoration

Removable Partials 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

FILLNGS

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