

DENTAL TREATMENT CONSENT FORM

Please read and sign the section at the bottom of the form.

1.) WORK TO BE DONE:

I understand that my future treatment may consist of fillings, bridges, crowns, extractions, impacted teeth removed, general anesthesia, and/or root canals.

2.) DRUGS AND MEDICATIONS:

I understand that antibiotics and analgesics and other medication can cause allergic reactions causing redness and swelling of tissues, pain, itching, vomiting, and/or anaphylactic shock (severe allergic reaction).

3.) CHANGES IN TREATMENT PLAN:

I understand that during treatment it may be necessary to change or add procedures because of conditions found while working on the teeth that were not discovered during examination, the most common being root canal therapy following routine restorative procedures. I give permission to the Dentist to make any/all changes and additions as necessary.

4.) REMOVAL OF TEETH:

Alternatives to removal have been explained to me (root canal therapy, crowns, and periodontal surgery, etc.) and I authorize the Dentist to remove any necessary teeth. I understand removing teeth does not always remove all the infection, if present, and it may be necessary to have further treatment. I understand the risks involved in having teeth removed, some of which are pain, swelling, spread of infection, dry socket, loss of feeling in my teeth, lips, tongue and surrounding tissue (Paresthesia) that can last for an indefinite period of time (days or months) or fractured jaw.

5.) CROWNS, BRIDGES, AND CAPS:

I understand that sometimes it is not possible to match the color of natural teeth exactly with artificial teeth. I further understand that I may be wearing temporary crowns, which may come off easily and that I must be careful to ensure that they are kept on until the permanent crowns are delivered. I realize the final opportunity to make changes in my new crown, bridge, or cap (including shape, fit, size, and color) will be before cementation.

6.) DENTURES, COMPLETE OR PARTIAL:

I realize that full or partial dentures are artificial, constructed of plastic, metal, and/or porcelain. The problems of wearing these appliances have been explained to me, including looseness, soreness, and possible breakage. I realize the final opportunity to make changes in my new denture (including shape, fit, size, placement, and color) will be the "teeth in wax" try-in visit. I understand that most dentures require relining approximately three to twelve months after initial placement. The cost for this procedure is not included in the initial denture fee.

7.) ENDODONTIC TREATMENT (ROOT CANAL)

I realize that there is no guarantee that root canal treatment will save my tooth, and that complications can occur from the treatment, and that occasionally metal objects are cemented in the tooth or extended through the root, which does not necessarily affect the success of the treatment, I understand that occasionally additional surgical procedures may be necessary following root canal treatment (apicoectomy).

8.) PERIODONTAL LOSS (TISSUE & BONE)

I understand that I have a serious condition, causing gum and bone infection or loss and that it can lead to the loss of my teeth. Alternative treatment plans have been explained to me, including gum surgery, replacements and/or extractions. I understand that undertaking any dental procedures may have a future adverse effect on my periodontal condition.

9.) EXISTING AMALGAM FILLINGS

Removal of existing large failing silver amalgam fillings can result in necrosis and devitalizing of a tooth. This can result in the tooth requiring a root canal (Endodontic) treatment. This is non-preventable but leaving the failing silver amalgam in place can lead to a dental abscess.

I understand that dentistry is not an exact science and that, therefore, reputable practitioners cannot fully guarantee results. I acknowledge that no guarantee or assurance has been made by anyone regarding the dental treatment, which I have requested and authorized. I have had the opportunity to read this form and ask questions. My questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I consent to the proposed treatment.

Signature of Patient: _____

Date: _____