



Consent for Endodontic Treatment

Patient's Name

I hereby authorize _____

Doctor's Name

and any associates to perform a root canal on tooth/teeth number(s): _____.

The doctor has explained to me that the purpose of this procedure is to retain teeth that may otherwise have to be extracted. The doctor has explained to me the treatment and the anticipated results of the treatment. I understand that this is an elective procedure and that there are alternative treatments, and the doctor has explained the risks and benefits of the alternatives. I also understand that root canal therapy has a very high success rate; but, the doctor has not guaranteed or warranted a perfect result.

The doctor has explained to me that there are certain potential risks in the procedure. These include:

1. Inability to completely fill the root canal because the canal is calcified or has a unique curvature. This may require endodontic surgery or extraction of the tooth.
2. Infection that may occur and may continue, requiring further endodontic surgery or extraction.
3. Fracture or breakage of the root or crown portion during or after treatment.
4. Breakage of a tooth by a file or other instrument.
5. Perforation of the tooth during treatment.
6. Damage to existing fillings, crowns or porcelain veneers.
7. _____

Unforeseen conditions may arise that require a procedure that is different than set forth above or a referral to a specialist. I authorize the doctor and any associates to perform such procedures when in their professional judgment, the procedures are necessary.

I understand that the medications, drugs, anesthetics and prescriptions taken for this procedure may cause drowsiness and lack of awareness and coordination. I also understand that I should not consume alcohol or other drugs because they can increase these effects. I further understand that drugs and anesthetics may cause unanticipated reactions, which might require medical treatment. I have been advised not to work and not to operate any vehicle or machinery until I have fully recovered from the effects of the medications.

Please do not hesitate to ask the doctor or staff if you have any questions.

Patient, Parent or Guardian

Doctor

Date