Consent for Oral Surgery

Patient’s Name

I hereby authorize

Doctor’s Name

and any associates to perform the following procedure:

The doctor has explained to me the proposed treatment and the anticipated results of such treatment. I understand this is an elective procedure and that there are other forms of treatment available, including the option of no treatment.

The doctor has explained to me that there are certain potential risks in this treatment plan or procedure. These include:

1. Injury to a nerve resulting in numbness or tingling of the chin, lip, cheek, gums and/or tongue on the operated side; this may persist for several weeks, months, or in remote instances, permanently.
2. Postoperative infection requiring additional treatment.
3. Postoperative discomfort, swelling and bleeding that may necessitate several days of recuperation.
4. Decision to leave a small piece of root in the jaw when its removal would require extensive surgery.
5. Stretching of the corners of the mouth with resultant cracking and bruising.
6. Opening of the sinus (a normal cavity situated above the upper teeth) requiring additional surgery.
7. Restricted mouth opening for several days or weeks, with possible dislocation of the temporomandibular (jaw) joint.
8. Injury to adjacent teeth and fillings.
9. In rare circumstances, cardiac arrest or breakage of the jaw.
10. ____________________________________________________________________________________________________

Unforeseen conditions may arise during the procedure that require a different procedure than set forth above or 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 medication.

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

Patient, Parent or Guardian

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Doctor Date