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We would like our patients to be informed about the various procedures involved in general dentistry and have their consent before starting treatment. The following discusses possible risks that may occur from various treatment procedures.

RISKS: Included (but not limited to) are complications resulting from the use of dental instruments, drugs, sedation, medicines, analgesics (pain killers), anesthetics, and injections. These complications include: swelling; sensitivity; bleeding; pain; Infection; numbness and tingling sensation in the lip, tongue, chin, gums, cheeks and teeth, which is transient but on infrequent occasions may be permanent; reaction to injections; changes in occlusion (biting); jaw muscle cramps and spasms; temporomandibular (jaw) joint difficulty; loosening of teeth; referred pain to ear, neck and head; nausea; vomiting; allergic reactions; delayed healing; sinus perforations and treatment failure.

MEDICATIONS: Prescribed medications for discomfort may cause drowsiness, nausea and lack of awareness and coordination (which may be influenced by the use of alcohol, tranquilizers, sedatives or other drugs). It is not advisable to operate any vehicle or hazardous device until recovered from their effects. Antibiotics used in dentistry may cause swelling, itching, nausea, diarrhea and yeast infection on occasion.

CONSENT: I, the undersigned, being the patient (parent or guardian of minor patient) understand the information presented above and accept the potential risks in the event that I consent to the performing of procedures decided upon to be necessary or advisable in the opinion of the doctor.

Patient/Parent Signature & Date

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