

GENERAL CONSENT

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Thank you for choosing Fischer Family Dentistry for your dental care. We will work with you to help you achieve excellent oral health. While recognizing the benefits of a pleasing smile and teeth that function well, you should be aware that dental treatment, like treatment of any other part of the body, has some inherent risks. These are seldom great enough to offset the benefits of treatment, but should be considered when making treatment decisions.

Benefits of dental treatment can include (but not limited to): relief of pain, the ability to chew properly, and the confidence that a pleasing smile can bring. Nonetheless, there are some common risks associated with virtually any dental procedure, including:

- 1. Drug or chemical reaction. Dental materials and medications can trigger allergic or sensitivity reactions.*
- 2. Long-term numbness (parasthesia). Local anesthetic, or its administration, while almost always adequate to allow for comfortable care, can result in transient, in rare instances, permanent numbness.*
- 3. Muscle or joint tenderness. Holding one's mouth open can result in muscle or jaw joint tenderness, or in a predisposed patient, precipitate a TMJ disorder.*
- 4. Sensitivity in teeth or gums, infection, or bleeding.*
- 5. Swallowing or inhaling small objects.*
- 6. Systemic blood infection.*

While we follow strict procedural guidelines, which most often lead to a clinical success, just like in any other pursuit in health care, not everything turns out the way it is planned. We strive to make sure that necessary precautions are taken to assure a high level of dental care. Please feel free to ask any questions in regard to all dental procedures that are recommended for you.

I have read and understand the content of the above information.

(Patient's Signature)

(Date)

(Parent/Legal Guardian Signature)

(Date)