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PATIENT'S CONSENT FOR INTRAVENOUS (IV) CONSCIOUS SEDATION

Diagnosis: I have been informed that my treatment can be performed with different types of anesthesia. These include local anesthesia as normally used for dental treatment, local anesthesia supplemented with IV conscious sedation and general anesthesia in the hospital or office. My periodontist has recommended IV conscious sedation in addition to other possible forms of anesthetic because a long and stressful procedure is to be undertaken, certain medical or physical conditions, or I am subject to anxiety or emotional stress related to dental procedures.

Recommended treatment: I understand that in IV sedation small doses of various medications will be administered to produce a state of relaxation, reduced perception of pain and drowsiness. However, I will not be put to sleep as with general anesthetic. In addition, local anesthetics will be administered to numb the areas of my mouth to be operated and thus further control pain.

Expected benefits: The purpose of IV sedation is to lessen the significant and undesirable side effects of long or stressful dental procedures by chemically reducing the fear, apprehension and stress sometimes associated with these procedures.

Principal risks and complications: I understand that occasionally complications may be associated with IV conscious sedation. These include pain, swelling at the IV site, bruising, inflammation of a vein (phlebitis), infection, bleeding, discoloration, nausea, vomiting or allergic reaction. I understand that in extremely rare instances, damage to the brain or other organ supplied by an artery, cardiac arrest and even death can occur. To help minimize risks and complications I have disclosed to the Doctor any and all drugs and medications that I am taking. I have also disclosed any abnormalities in my current physical status or past medical history.

Alternatives: Alternatives to IV sedation include local anesthesia, oral sedation, nitrous oxide sedation and general anesthesia in the hospital. Local anesthesia and oral sedation, with or without nitrous oxide, however, may not adequately dispel fear, anxiety or stress. There may be less control of proper dosage with oral sedation than with IV sedation. Oral sedation does not provide a route for quick medication reversal. General anesthesia will cause me to lose consciousness and generally involves greater risk and expense than IV sedation.

Necessary follow-up and Self-care: I recognize that I must do several things in connection with IV sedation. Specifically, I must refrain from eating for at least 6 hours before my dental appointment. I understand that I must refrain from drinking alcohol and taking certain medications for a 24-hour period following administration of IV sedation. I also understand that a responsible adult should drive me home and remain with me until the side effects of the sedation have worn off and that I should not drive or operate dangerous machinery for a 24-hour period. Additionally, I should not make legally binding decisions during this period of recovery.

No warranty: I hereby acknowledge that no guarantee or assurance has been given to me that the proposed treatment will be successful.

☐ I have read and understand the IV sedation preoperative instructions and all my questions have been answered.

I HAVE BEEN FULLY INFORMED OF THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE, BENEFITS, RISKS AND ASSOCIATED PROCEDURES. I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ, FULLY UNDERSTAND AND HAVE HAD ADEQUATE TIME TO REVIEW THIS DOCUMENT. I WILL COMPLY WITH THIS DOCUMENT AND MY PERIODONTIST/STAFF HAS ANSWERED ALL MY QUESTIONS TO MY SATISFACTION.

Patient's Printed Name

Patient Signature

Date

Witness Printed Name

Witness Signature

Date

Doctor's Printed Name

Doctor's Signature

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