

## EXTRACTION

I understand that the purpose of the procedure is to treat and to possibly correct my diseased oral/maxillofacial tissues. The doctor has advised me that, if this condition persists without treatment or surgery, present oral conditions will probably worsen in time, and the risks of my health may include, but are not limited to the following: swelling, pain, infection, cyst formation, periodontal (gum) disease, dental caries, malocclusion, pathological fracture of the jaw, premature loss of teeth, and/or premature loss of bone.

I have been informed of possible alternative methods of treatment if there are any. I understand that removing teeth does not always remove existing infection and that further treatment may be necessary. I understand that further care by a specialist may be needed if complications arise during or after treatment, and that costs incurred are my responsibility.

***Extraction of teeth is irreversible and is a surgical process. As in any surgery, there are some risks. They include, but are not limited to:***

1. Swelling and/or bruising and discomfort in the surgical site
2. Stretching of the corners of the mouth resulting in cracking and bruising, injury to oral tissues, including lip, cheek, or tongue
3. Possible infection requiring further treatment
4. Dry Socket- jaw pain beginning a few days after surgery, usually requiring additional care
5. Possible damage to adjacent teeth, especially those with large fillings or caps
6. Temporary or permanent numbness of the lip, chin, gum, cheek, or tongue (including possible loss of taste)
7. Trismus— restricted mouth opening related to swelling and muscle soreness or stress on the jaw joints (TMJ)
8. Bleeding during and after the procedure. Heavy bleeding may be prolonged
9. Sharp ridges/bone splinters may form at the socket, possibly requiring another surgery to smooth or remove them
10. Incomplete removal of tooth fragments— to avoid injury to vital structures such as nerves or sinuses, sometimes small root tips may be left in place
11. Sinus involvement— the roots of upper back teeth are often close to the sinus and sometimes a piece of root can be displaced into the sinus. An opening into the sinus, called a perforation, may occur into the mouth which may require additional care.
12. Jaw fracture- while quite rare, it is possible in difficult or deeply impacted teeth

***Most procedures are routine and serious complications are not expected. Those that do occur are most often minor and can be treated.***

I understand the doctor may discover other or different conditions that may require additional or different procedures from those planned. I authorize such other procedures as are deemed necessary in my doctor's professional judgment to complete my surgery. No guarantee or assurance has been given to me that the proposed treatment will be curative and/or successful to my complete satisfaction. Due to individual patient differences there exists a risk of failure, relapse, selective re-treatment, or worsening of my present condition despite the care provided. However, it is the doctor's opinion that therapy would be helpful, and that a worsening of my condition would occur sooner without the recommended treatment.

I realize that by not revealing complete, truthful information about my past medical history, medication, drug use, possible pregnancy, etc, I place myself under significant risk for the surgical procedure and anesthesia. I have had an opportunity to discuss my past medical/ health history, serious problems, injuries, and current medications with the doctor.

I have read and understand the above and had my questions answered. I recognize there can be no warranty as to the outcome of treatment and I give my consent to surgery.