

General Consent For Treatment

Thank you for choosing our office 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: relief of pain, the ability to chew properly, and the confidence and social interaction 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 may trigger allergic or sensitivity reactions causing symptoms such as redness, swelling, itching, and/or anaphylactic shock and death.
- 2. Long-term numbness (paresthesia). Local anesthetic, or its administration, while almost always adequate to allow comfortable care, can result in transient, or 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.

I have advised the office of any and all allergies I have and will inform them in the future of any changes.

Consent for Composite Registration on Posterior Teeth

Tooth colored composite fillings are a modern day improvement over amalgam (mercury) I have read and understood the statement on this page.

Patient's signature	Date
Parent's signature (if patient is a minor)	Date