

Endodontic Consent and Information Form

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We would like our patients to be informed about the various procedures involved in endodontic therapy and have their consent before starting treatment. Endodontic (root canal) therapy is performed in order to save a tooth which otherwise may require removal. This is accomplished by conservative root canal therapy, or when needed, endodontic surgery. The following discusses possible risks that may occur from endodontic treatment:

1. The purpose of root canal therapy is to retain teeth that would otherwise have to be extracted.
2. Treatment may require multiple visits. It is important that you maintain scheduled appointments, or re- infection can reoccur.
3. In most cases, there is only mild discomfort following each treatment. This is usually controlled with aspirin, ibuprofen, Tylenol, or prescribed medication.
4. Endodontic treatment has a high degree of success. As with any medical or dental treatment, however, this treatment has no guarantee of success for any length of time. Teeth with previous root canal treatment have a lower success rate.
5. Accurate and complete disclosure of medical information is necessary for proper diagnosis, and helps to prevent unnecessary complications during your treatment.
6. The most common complications with root canal therapy include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Continued infection requiring endodontic (root canal) surgery or extraction of the tooth.
 - b. Calcified canals, or canals blocked by broken instruments requiring endodontic (root canal) surgery or extraction of the tooth.
 - c. Pain requiring the use of medication.
 - d. Side effects and reactions to medication.
 - e. Fractures (breaking) of the root or crown of the tooth during or after treatment. It is recommended that all posterior teeth be crowned following root canal treatment. If your tooth is a chance it will need to be replaced due to decay or loss of structural support. Porcelain crowns are subject to breakage.
 - f. Tenderness of the tooth following treatment due to possible complications with root canal treatment, gum disease, physical stress from chewing, or the degree of healing your body exhibits.
7. Other treatment choices include no treatment, waiting for more definitive development of tooth extraction. Risks involved in these choices may include pain, infection, swelling, loss of teeth, and infection to other areas.
8. If you have any questions, please ask.

"I have read and understand the above, and hereby consent to treatment"

Signature

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date