

# e l e v a t e d

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

## INFORMATION SHEET

You should understand what the most common risks of an operation are; including:

1. Bleeding, that rarely can occur significantly enough to require a return to the hospital for control of blood loss.
2. Injury to adjacent teeth and fillings.
3. Postoperative infection requiring additional treatment.
4. Possibility of small piece of root being left in the jaw when removed, which could require further treatment.
5. Postoperative discomfort and swelling which may necessitate several days of recuperation.
6. Stretching of the corners of the mouth with possible cracking and bruising.
7. Injury to the nerve supply, teeth, and or tongue resulting in temporary or permanent numbness of the gums, teeth, lower lip, chin and or tongue, even altered ability to taste.
8. Opening into the sinus, which if it fails to heal by itself, will require a second procedure for correction.
9. Jaw joint (TMJ) soreness from opening wide during surgery.
10. Adverse response to I.V. medication
11. Inflammation of vein at site of I.V. drug administration.
12. Fracture of the jaw.

The frequency of occurrence of the above complications is different and often patient specific. Please sign and date the form where indicated. By doing so, you give up no rights and do not release the surgeon from any responsibility. Prior to signing, feel free to consult with the surgeon about anything you do not understand.

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Patient Name

Date

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Patient's (or Legal Guardian's) Signature

Date

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### INFORMATION FOR INTRAVENOUS SEDATION-ANESTHESIA

**PLEASE INITIAL EACH PARAGRAPH AFTER READING. IF YOU CHOOSE IV SEDATION AND HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE ASK DR.RUSSELL**

If you choose intravenous anesthesia for your surgery, this procedure is considered quite safe. Nevertheless, any anesthesia carries some risk and the common ones known for intravenous anesthesia are noted below for your review.

1. Allergic reactions (previously unknown) to any of the medications used.
2. Discomfort, swelling or bruising at the site where the drugs are placed into a vein.
3. Vein irritation, called phlebitis, where the needle is placed into a vein. Sometimes this may progress to a level where arm or hand motion may be restricted temporarily, and further medication or care may be required.
4. Nausea and vomiting, although not common, are unfortunate side effects of intravenous anesthesia. Bed rest, and sometimes medications, may be required for relief.
5. Intravenous sedation/General Anesthesia is a serious medical procedure and, whether given in a hospital or office, carries with it the risk of brain damage, stroke, heart attack or death.

### YOUR OBLIGATIONS

1. Because the anesthetic medication causes prolonged drowsiness, you **MUST** be accompanied by a responsible adult to drive you home and stay with you for several hours until you are recovered sufficiently to care for yourself. Sometimes the effects of the drugs do not wear off for 24 hours. We also require that your accompanying adult remain on site while the procedure is being performed.
2. During recovery time (normally 24 hours), you should not drive, operate complicated machinery or devices or make important decisions such as signing documents, etc.
3. You must have a completely empty stomach. It is vital that you have **NOTHING TO EAT OR DRINK for eight (8) hours** prior to your anesthetic. **TO DO OTHERWISE MAY BE LIFE-THREATENING!** Note: If directed by your doctor, sips of water may be used to take regular medications or prescriptions given to you by this office.

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Witness' Signature

Date