Dental Treatment Consent Form

Patient Name: ________________________________________

1. Health Information
   I agree to disclose all previous illness and medical history. Undisclosed medical information and current medication, allergies or illness are risk factors.

2. Drugs, Latex and Medicines
   I understand that antibiotics and other medicines can cause allergic reactions and even life-threatening anaphylaxis. Also, some antibiotics interfere with birth-control pills. Latex allergy can cause rashes and itching. Epinephrine increases heartbeat, and depending on my health, may be dangerous to me.

3. Needle Stick
   If someone is inadvertently struck with a needle used on me, I consent to have my blood drawn for analysis.

4. Fillings, Crowns, and Un-anticipated Root Canals
   Some teeth may need a root canal even after a simple filling. Fillings and crowns do take away tooth structure and a percentage of these teeth end up needing a root canal after the filling or crown is done.

5. Root Canals can Fail
   Root Canals can fail and may require additional treatment or I may end up having the tooth extracted.

6. Porcelain Crowns, Veneers, Bonding, and Cosmetic Fillings
   Porcelain crowns, veneers, cosmetic bonding and composite fillings are esthetically pleasing. However, I understand that if they chip or break after in use successfully, I am responsible for repairs or remakes. Once a crown, veneer, bonding or filling is placed, I understand the color cannot be changed.

7. Gum Treatment and Requesting “Just a Cleaning”
   If I don’t floss or if I smoke, I can expect to have deteriorating gum condition. I agree that if I need gum treatment, I will not insist that I simply get a cleaning (prophylaxis).

8. Extractions and Surgery
   I understand that all dental extractions or surgeries carry risks. Some are minor like a dry-socket following an extraction. Some are life-threatening such as post-surgical infection or anaphylaxis.

9. Fee for Additional or Specialty Care
   I understand that I may need treatment beyond what was originally planned (a crowned tooth becomes painful and will need a root canal), or I may be referred to a specialist for additional care (root canal was not successful). I agree to be financially responsible for what insurance does not cover.

10. Limitations of Insurance Coverage
    There are charges beyond what insurance will pay, e.g. composite fillings instead of amalgam (silver) fillings, temporary dentures, tapping off crowns or bridges, bleaching or cosmetic work. Also, as a service to patients, this office will file insurance claims on their behalf. I understand that what may be quoted as my portion (co-payment) is only an estimate. I agree to be financially responsible for what the insurance does not cover.

11. 48 Hour Notice for Cancellation
    I agree to give 48 hour notice for cancellations or pay the broken appointment fee of $50.00. I understand that leaving a message after the office closed the day (or weekend) before is not sufficient notice.

12. Requesting Record Transfers
    Professional Courtesies are between dentists. I agree not to request records until I have a new dentist.

13. Dental Appointments
    If I am more than 15 minutes late for my dental appointment, I will either take my remaining time only or reschedule and pay a broken appointment fee.

I do not expect guarantees in dental care. I have read the above and consent to treatment. I hereby acknowledge that I have read this document and have had the opportunity to ask any questions about anything that I do not fully understand.

Patient/Parent or Guardian Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________ Witness Signature ___________________________