



## General Dentistry Informed Consent

**1. Local Anesthesia**

Many dental procedures require a local anesthetic. Temporary loss of feeling, movement, and pain sensation in a specific area of the body is achieved by injecting a drug around a specific nerve. Injury to the nerve and/or blood vessels, infection, permanent numbness, seizures, pain, and weakness are all risks associated with local anesthesia.

**2. Drugs and Medications**

Antibiotics and other medications can cause allergic reactions. Among these possible reactions are: redness, swelling of tissues, pain, itching, vomiting, and/or anaphylactic shock (severe allergic reaction).

**3. Changes in Treatment Plan**

During treatment, it may be necessary to change or add procedures because of newly discovered conditions found while working on the teeth. The most common procedure added is root canal therapy following routine restorative work (fillings and crowns).

**4. Restorative Treatment (Crowns, Bridges, Fillings)**

Sometimes it is not possible to completely match the color of natural teeth with porcelain, composite, or acrylic. When doing crown and bridge work it is necessary to wear temporary crowns, which may come loose easily. Care must be taken to ensure that the temporary is kept on until the definitive restorations are delivered. Additional procedures are sometimes necessary following routine restorative treatment. The most common additional procedure is root canal therapy.

I understand that dentistry is not an exact science. I have read and understand the details above.

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