



CONSENT FOR NITROUS SEDATION

I hereby give permission for Dr. Nhu to perform nitrous oxide sedation for my dental treatment. I understand that the administration of medication and the performance of conscious sedation with nitrous oxide carries certain hazards, risks, and potential unpleasant side effects which are infrequent, but nonetheless, may occur. They include but are not limited to the following:

1. **Excessive Perspiration:** Sweating may occur during the procedure and you may become somewhat flushed during administration of nitrous oxide.
2. **Expectoration:** Removal of secretions may be difficult but can be controlled by use of suction tip.
3. **Behavioral Problems:** Some patients will talk excessively. You may become difficult to treat because you are so talkative, or experience vivid dreams; associated with physical movement of the body.
4. **Shivering:** Although not common, shivering can be quite uncomfortable. Shivering usually develops at the end of the sedative procedure when the nitrous oxide has been terminated.
5. **Nausea and Vomiting:** This is the most frequent of the side effects of nitrous oxide sedation but its frequency is still quite low. It is important to tell the doctor, hygienist, or assistant that you are experience some discomfort. The level of nitrous oxide can be adjusted to eliminate this side effect. **To reduce the chances of nausea and vomiting, you AGREE NOT TO EAT ANYTHING THREE (3) hours prior to your dental treatment.**
6. **Driving a Motor Vehicle:** You may not feel capable of driving after nitrous oxide. If this occurs, we will keep you until you feel better or have you call a friend or cab to insure your safety.

I have been advised of alternative treatment, the benefits and risks which include but are not limited to: Fear and anxiety of the dental experience and/or avoidance of future dental appointments. These fears and anxiety, if not diminished by the use of nitrous oxide sedation, may precipitate other medical problems including minting, palpitation am other heart-related disorders.

The benefits one can expect from nitrous oxide sedation include: Help with anxiety and pain, gagging and medically compromised individual. I hereby certify that I understand this authorization and the reasons for the above named sedative procedure am associated risks. I am aware that the practice of dentistry is not an exact science. I acknowledge that every effort will be made in my behalf for a positive outcome from sedation, but no guarantees have been made to the result of the procedure authorized above.

Patient signature: _____ Date: _____

Dentist signature: _____ Date: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____