

## **CBCT Consent**

A CBCT scan also called CT or computerized tomography is an x-ray technique that produces images of your body that visualize internal structures in cross section rather than the overlapping images typically produced by conventional x-rays.

A conventional x-ray of your mouth limits your dentist to a 2-D visualization. Diagnosis and treatment planning can require a more complete understanding of a complete 3-D anatomy. CT examinations provide a wealth of 3-D information that can be used when planning for dental implants, orthodontic treatment, surgical extractions, maxillofacial surgery, and advanced dental restorative procedures. One benefit of CT scans is the greater chance for diagnosing conditions such as vertical root fractures, which can be missed a significant percentage of the time on conventional films, ultimately helping patients avoid unnecessary additional treatment. In a nutshell, the CT scan enhances your dentist's ability to see what he/she needs to see before treatment is rendered.

CT scans are not recommended for pregnant women because of danger to the fetus.

Initial below as appropriate:

\_\_\_\_\_ I am pregnant \_\_\_\_\_ I am not pregnant

\_\_\_\_\_ I am unsure whether I am pregnant

**RISKS**:

CT scans like conventional x-rays expose you to radiation. The amount of radiation you will be exposed to by the CT scan used by this office is approximately the equivalent to the exposure you would get from 10 minutes in the sun.

DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM UNLESS YOU HAVE READ IT, UNDERSTAND IT AND AGREE WITH WHAT IT SAYS

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, being 18 years or older, certify that I have read the above and that I understand the procedure to be used and its benefits, risks, and alternatives.

Patient Name

Patient / Legal Guardian Signature Date

Patient / Legal Guardian Print

Date

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