

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Record #: \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Have you donated blood for your surgery: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If so, how many units? \_\_\_\_\_

Have friends or family donated blood for your surgery: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If so, how many units? \_\_\_\_\_

Physical activity now: Little \_\_\_\_\_ Moderate \_\_\_\_\_ Active \_\_\_\_\_ Very Active \_\_\_\_\_

Can you climb stairs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Number of flights: 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3+ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a cold? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

YES	NO	YEAR	<u>HEART DISEASE</u>	YES	NO	YEAR	<u>LUNG DISEASE</u>
_____	_____	_____	Heart Attack	_____	_____	_____	Asthma
_____	_____	_____	Angina, Chest pain	_____	_____	_____	Emphysema, Bronchitis
_____	_____	_____	Irregular heart beat	_____	_____	_____	Tuberculosis
_____	_____	_____	High blood pressure	_____	_____	_____	Pulmonary emboli
_____	_____	_____	Rheumatic fever	<u>GASTROINTESTINAL DISEASE</u>			
_____	_____	_____	Heart murmur	_____	_____	_____	Ulcers
_____	_____	_____	Mitral valve prolapse	_____	_____	_____	Hiatal hernia
<u>NEUROLOGICAL DISEASE</u>				_____	_____	_____	Hepatitis
_____	_____	_____	Stroke, fainting spells	_____	_____	_____	<u>KIDNEY DISEASES</u>
_____	_____	_____	Sleep apnea/sleep disorders	_____	_____	_____	<u>MUSCLE DISEASES</u>
_____	_____	_____	Epilepsy, convulsions	_____	_____	_____	Myasthenia Gravis
_____	_____	_____	Glaucoma	_____	_____	_____	Malignant Hyperthermia
_____	_____	_____	Mental illness	<u>OTHER</u>			
_____	_____	_____	Parkinsonism	_____	_____	_____	Back pain or injury
_____	_____	_____	Migraine headaches	_____	_____	_____	Alcohol/drug addiction
<u>ENDOCRINE DISEASE</u>				_____	_____	_____	Porphyria (AIP, VP, HC)
_____	_____	_____	Hypo/hyperthyroidism	_____	_____	_____	Other/not mentioned above,
_____	_____	_____	Diabetes	_____	_____	_____	List Below

Are you allergic to any medications, adhesive tape or iodine? Please identify:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you drink alcoholic drinks every day?  
If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke? If yes, how much? \_\_\_\_\_ How many years? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever smoked? If yes, how much? \_\_\_\_\_ How many years? \_\_\_\_\_

When did you quit? \_\_\_\_\_

If female, is there any possibility that you are pregnant at this time?

Do you have dentures, bridges, caps, loose or chipped teeth? (Please circle)

Do you wear contact lenses, false eyelashes or a false eye? (Please circle)

Do you have difficulty opening your mouth?

Do you have difficulty moving your neck?

**WHAT OPERATIONS HAVE YOU HAD, AND APPROXIMATE YEAR? (If none, so state please)**

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|----------|----------|
| 1) _____ | 4) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 5) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 6) _____ |

**(Please check) WHAT KIND OF ANESTHESIA HAVE YOU HAD?**

\_\_\_\_\_ General (Pentothal-Gas), \_\_\_\_\_ Saddle Block or Spinal, \_\_\_\_\_ Nerve Blocks, \_\_\_\_\_ Local Anesthesia

YES NO

Have you or your immediate family had unusual reactions, problems or complications associated with anesthesia ( e.g. hepatitis, jaundice, muscle weakness, breathing problems or unexplained fevers)?

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL OTHERS SIDES OF THIS FORM, THANK YOU

**PLEASE CIRCLE OR WRITE IN CURRENT MEDICATIONS PLUS ANY TAKEN IN THE LAST 6 MONTHS**

DOSAGE

LAST  
TAKEN

**Heart and Blood Pressure Medicines:**

Inderal, Lopressor, Corgard, Tenormin

Nitroglycerin Patch/Oral, Isordil

Procardia, Cardiazem, Verapamil

Digitalis, Digoxin, Lanoxin, Procan

Quinidine

Dyazide, Hydrochlorothiazide Lasix

Clonidine, Catapres, Capoten, Apresoline

Other (Please List)

**Lung (Asthma, Tuberculosis) Medicines:**

Inhalers (Please List)

Pills

Theodur, Slo-Bid

Other (Please List)

**Steroids:**

Prednisone, Cortisone, ATCH

Other (Please List)

**Pain and Arthritis Medicines:**

Aspirin

Other (Please List)

**Blood Thinners (Anticoagulants):**

Coumadin, Persantin

Other (Please List)

**Endocrine Medicines:**

Diabetic Pills - Dose and Type:

Insulin (Type, dose, and time taken):

Thyroid medicine

Other (Please List)

**Ulcer, Hiatal Hernia Medicines:**

Tagamet, Zantac

Other (Please List)

**Antidepressants and Epilepsy Medication:**

Lithium (Eskalith)

Isocarboxazid (Marplan)

Pargyline (Eutonyl)

Phenelzine (Nardil)

Tranlycypromine (Parnate)

Dilantin, Phenobarb

Other (Please List)

**Glaucoma Medications:**

Timoptic, Floropryl,

Phospholine

Other (Please List)

**OTHER MEDICATIONS:**

Please List

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSION

## INSTRUCTIONS

Read this form completely. INITIAL each paragraph. If you agree with the statements, WRITE "I UNDERSTAND" on the line *above* your signature and SIGN where indicated at the bottom of the page. You MUST bring these papers to our office at the time of your Pre-Operative Visit.

Dear Patient:

- The reasons for undertaking this operation, anticipated goals, and possible complicating factors, and alternative methods of treatment have been discussed with you previously. We feel strongly that a patient wants to know what his or her medical problem is; expressed in terms you can understand. We have, therefore, tried to explain our proposed treatment in lay terms, so that you may understand the nature of your condition and the goals of the surgical treatment you have requested. If you have any questions about your procedure, please discuss them with us.
- Most orthopaedic procedures are done to arrest pain, to improve function, to prevent or correct an abnormal situation. Some times an exploratory type procedure is necessary when the exact diagnosis cannot be made with the usual clinical tools available to us. Some conditions can be treated non-operatively as well as operatively – often with the same results or similar results. The operative's choice of treatment, therefore, is based on medical knowledge and experience, and the patient's understanding of the problem. We have discussed these methods with you.
- All forms of treatment have certain risks associated with them. Some are far more risky than others. We have attempted to explain the risks and possible complications of your proposed operation with you. If you do not understand them or have some concern about some not mentioned, please ask us. Operations on nerves are particularly difficult for the patient and surgeon. Complaints of pain can be frequently relieved with surgical treatment. In some cases, however, pain does not subside and may become worse even though the operation is well performed and no specific injury or accident occurs during the procedure. This is because of the particular sensitive nature of nerves and the fact that internal nerve scarring may have occurred as a result of nerve compression. This internal scarring cannot be relieved with external decompression in all cases. The patient should understand that operations involving nerves carry a specific risk for persistent pain and/or weakness despite appropriate surgical intervention. If this is of concern to you, please discuss this with your surgeon.
- The responsibility for your surgical anesthetic will be undertaken by an anesthesiologist. You are encouraged to discuss the benefits, alternatives and possible complications with the anesthesiologist prior to your operation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (← fill in Dr.'s name) has and ownership interest in \_\_\_\_\_ (← fill in facility name). You may choose another facility for your operation. If this is a concern, please discuss this with your surgeon.
- Some Orthopaedic & Hand Surgery operations require the use of metal plates, screws, pins & joint implants. All materials that remain in your body will experience wear and mechanical strain. These materials, regardless of high standards of manufacturing, may break loose, loosen, wear out, or become infected. In some cases your surgeon will advise removing a device when its job is done. This is a routine consideration when using implantable materials. If you have a concern about implant failure or need for removal, please discuss this with your surgeon.

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*Patient Statement of Comprehension (please print "I UNDERSTAND" on the line above)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Patient Name (please PRINT on the line above)*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Patient Signature (please SIGN on the line above)*