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Patient: _____ Doctor: _____

Restorative treatment (dental fillings), have been recommended by your general dentist at Bullhook Community Health Center. As with any dental procedure risks are involved, but are out-weighted by the benefits.

RISKS:

1. Post-Operative sensitivity to cold, hot and chewing is common and can range from mild to severe.
2. Cavities can get very close to the pulp (nerve) of the tooth and may require root canal therapy after a restorative procedure.
3. As the size of the restoration (filling) increases, so does the risk of pain. Fracture may occur to the filling or the tooth. Ideal restoration for large filling is a full coverage crown.
4. Hyper-Occlusion (filling is too big or high) may occur and will need to be adjusted as soon as possible or the tooth may become sensitive to hot, cold or biting, or the tooth/restoration may fracture.
5. Pain, discomfort may arise at the injection site where anesthesia was administered. The jaw may have limited opening due to prolonged procedures.
6. In the rare event that the needle comes into close proximity to a nerve and an electric shock is felt in the tongue, teeth or lips; prolonged numbness may be experienced lasting from a few hours to a few days. In most cases this prolonged numbness is temporary and will resolve itself. In very rare cases numbness may be permanent and require consultation and/or treatment by a specialist.

BENEFITS:

1. Removal of disease state
2. Restoration of form and function in the oral cavity
3. Prevention of pain and infection

I acknowledge that the procedure, materials to be used, risks, and benefits have been explained to me. I give my consent for the restorative procedure.

Tooth: _____ Material to be used: _____

Patient: _____ Date: _____

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