
Informed Consent for Amalgam Removals

I give my dentist permission to remove dental amalgam fillings and other non precious metal from my teeth and replace them with dental materials presently considered biocompatible based on existing scientific research. These materials include: posterior composite resins, ceramic, gold and porcelain.

It has been explained to me that although the signs and symptoms of mercury toxicity outlined in the scientific literature may reflect signs or symptoms that I may presently have, there is, as yet, insufficient scientific evidence that removing amalgam fillings from my teeth will cause the cure or amelioration of any health problems or conditions. Furthermore, my dentist has made no representation that replacing my amalgam fillings with non precious metals will affect or cure specific symptoms or medical problems I may have.

If a composite posterior resin is the material chosen to replace my dental amalgam and other non precious materials, the advantages and disadvantages of the materials chosen has been explained to me, including the fact that there has not been a sufficient number of years of use to scientifically prove its wear characteristics. Accordingly, at this time, it is not known if posterior composites will last as long as dental amalgam and therefore may have to be replaced more frequently than amalgam.

As might occur with the placement of amalgam, gold, or any other dental material, I understand that there are situations beyond the control of my dentist that may necessitate endodontic treatment and, or removal of an existing tooth, despite precautions taken and proper procedures utilised.

Before dental work is done a treatment plan will be presented by the dentist. I understand that this is only a guideline and may change according to the circumstances involved in treatment.

Note: The proceeding release does not obligate the patient to have any dentistry performed.

I have read this statement and fully understand it.

Date:

Signature:

Name in print: