



Supplemental Informed Consent:
Notification of Risks in the Era of COVID-19 and Acceptance of Additional PPE Costs

Thank you for your continued trust in our practice. As with the transmission of any communicable disease like a cold or the flu, you may be exposed to COVID-19, also known as “coronavirus,” at any time or in any place. Be assured that we continue to follow state and federal regulations as well as recommended universal personal protective equipment (PPE) and disinfection protocols to limit transmission of all diseases in our office.

Despite our careful attention to sterilization, disinfection and the use of personal barriers, there is still a chance that you could be exposed to an illness in our office, just as you might be exposed at your gym, grocery store or favorite restaurant. Nationwide social distancing has reduced the transmission of the coronavirus. Although we have taken measures to enable social distancing in our practice, due to the nature of the procedures we provide, it is not possible to maintain social distancing between the patient, dental healthcare team members and sometimes other patients at all times.

Although exposure is unlikely, do you accept the risk while present in our office?

Yes _____ No _____

_____ *Initial to acknowledge acceptance of the following:* We ask that you contact our office should you, or anyone with whom you live, start experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, or test positive for COVID-19, within 14 days of your visits to our each day.

_____ *Initial to acknowledge acceptance of the following:* With the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is now necessary for dental practices to utilize additional items of PPE to limit the transmission of diseases. The additional PPE items utilized at GFDC are in compliance with guidelines issued by the CDC and American Dental Association (ADA), and represent significant added costs to dental practices. As a result, the ADA has recommended that dental practices add a nominal fee to help with these additional costs. Accordingly, GFDC will file a \$20 fee with your insurance claim to help cover the cost of additional PPE for each patient per each office visit. Coverage for this fee by your dental insurance plan will vary by dental insurance company.

Printed Name

Date

Signature