

**AUTHORIZATION FOR ADMINISTRATION OF ANESTHESIA AND FOR PERFORMANCE OF OPERATIONS OR OTHER PROCEDURES**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Public Health Service  
Indian Health Service

**1. DIAGNOSIS** *(include lay terms as necessary)*

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\_\_\_\_\_

**2. OPERATION OR PROCEDURE** *(include explanation in lay terms)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Common and important risks associated with the proposed operation or procedure include:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Alternatives to the proposed operation or procedure include:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**3. PATIENT CONSENT** *(Line through any parts which are not appropriate)*

- A. I hereby give my consent and authorize *(Provider name)* \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ facility, and such assistants as may be approved by said provider, to perform the above named operation or procedure. All my questions, if any, have been answered to my satisfaction. I acknowledge that no guarantee has been made to me as to the results that may be obtained.
- B. I consent to the performance of the above named operation or procedure and to such additional operations or procedures as are found to be necessary or desirable in the best judgment of the medical staff during the planned operation or procedure.
- C. I consent to the administration of such anesthesia as may be considered necessary or advisable in the judgment of the medical staff. Exceptions to surgery or anesthesia, if any, are: *(If none, so state)* \_\_\_\_\_
- D. I consent to the disposal by authorities of the facility named above of any body tissues or parts which it may be necessary to remove. I authorize the facility to retain, preserve, and use for scientific or teaching purposes any tissue or specimens taken from my body.
- E. I consent to the admittance of observers, in accordance with ordinary practices of the facility named above. I understand that photographs, movies, and video tapes may be taken of this operation or procedure, and that they may be viewed by personnel undergoing training at this or other facilities. I consent to the viewing of such movies, video tapes, and photographs for scientific purposes, provided my identity is not revealed by the pictures or written information accompanying them.

**4. PATIENT:** I understand the nature of my condition, the proposed operation or procedure, its risks and the alternatives, and the expected results, and I hereby request the operation or procedure be performed. I DO  DO NOT  wish the services of a translator.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Witness                      Signature of Patient                      Date                      Time  a.m.  p.m.

**5. IF PATIENT IS UNABLE TO SIGN OR IS A MINOR, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:** Patient is a minor ( \_\_\_\_\_ years of age) or is unable to sign because: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, sponsor/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, understand the nature of the patient's condition, the proposed operation or procedure, its risks and the alternatives, and the expected results as described above, and I hereby request the operation or procedure be performed. I DO  DO NOT  wish the services of a translator.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Witness                      Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian                      Date                      Time  a.m.  p.m.

**6. COUNSELING PROVIDER:** I have counseled this patient as to the nature of his/her condition, the proposed operation or procedure, the risks, alternatives, and expected results.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Provider Securing Consent                      Date

**PATIENT IDENTIFICATION**

**7. TRANSLATOR**  
I, \_\_\_\_\_ have translated the information and advice presented orally to the person giving this consent. I have also read him/her the authorization form in the \_\_\_\_\_ language and explained its contents to him/her. To the best of my knowledge and belief, he/she understood this explanation.

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 Translator's Signature                      Date                      EF